

**BOONE COUNTY DISTRICT No. 17**  
**(aka ST. EDWARD PUBLIC SCHOOL)**  
**BOARD OF EDUCATION REGULAR MEETING**  
**St. Edward School Science Room – St. Edward, Nebraska**  
**Monday, November 13, 2023, 7:00 p.m.**

The St. Edward Public School Board of Education conducted a regular meeting on Monday, November 13, 2023. Advance notice of the meeting agenda was published in The Albion News/Boone County Tribune on November 8, 2023.

1. Opening Procedures - Regular Meeting

- a. The meeting was called to order by President Roberts at 7:01 p.m. with members Christman, Merrell, Reardon, Cumming and Cruise present. Also in attendance were Steve Osborn, Lindsay Tenski, and Bruce Hassebrook.
- b. Open Meeting Law Posted
- c. Pledge of Allegiance

President Roberts set the Regular December meeting on December 11, 2023 at 7:00 p.m.

2. Approval of the Agenda:

- a. Notice: The agenda sequence is provided as a courtesy. The board reserves the right to consider items in the sequence it deems appropriate.

It was moved by Merrell and seconded by Roberts to approve the agenda as presented.

Roll call vote: Reardon-Yea, Roberts-Yea, Cruise-Yea, Merrell- Yea, Christman-Yea, Cumming – Yea.

Motion carried 6-0.

Mr. Gray's Activities Director Report given by Mr. Osborn

Fall Sports Have Wrapped Up and we appreciate our coaches and athletes for working hard throughout the Fall season. Football All District 1st Team - Ian Reardon, Defense and Marcos Paez, Kicker; 2nd Team - Carter Anson, Offense, Mikey Blankenship, Defense, Anthony Reader, Defense; Honorable Mention - Ryan Cumming and Mason Steensnes. Winter Sports are underway. Girls and boys high school basketball with nine boys and ten girls participating. Conditioning started on November 6<sup>th</sup> with practice starting on November 13<sup>th</sup>. First games are on November 30<sup>th</sup> in St. Edward against Osceola. Junior high Wrestling practice started on October 25<sup>th</sup> in Newman Grove with three boys from St. Edward starting and two continue to participate. The first meet was November 9<sup>th</sup> in Madison and Triton Sindelar placed third. Junior high girls' basketball started practice on November 13<sup>th</sup> and Junior boys will start practice in early December once Wrestling is over. Practice will rotate between NG and SE every other week. The girls first game is December 4<sup>th</sup> and the boys first game is January 8<sup>th</sup>. One Act season is underway with 19 Students Participating. The Goldenrod Conference Meet is Tuesday, November 21<sup>st</sup> at 12:45 PM in Central City and Districts are at Newman Grove on November 27<sup>th</sup> with the time to be determined.

Mrs. Tenski's Principal Report

The First Quarter ended on October 13, 2023 and the second quarter is in full swing. The FCCLA members attended the District 5 Leadership Conference in Columbus on October 16, 2023. The Sophomore Class attended the Career Day at Wayne State College on October 17, 2023. The district's FFA chapter held their annual Feed the Farmer event at CVA on October 17, 2023. The Sophomore Class took the Pre ACT on October 18, 2023. It was a good opportunity for the students to get an idea of what the actual ACT will be like when they take it their junior year. Homecoming Week was held the week of October 9th. A pep rally was held on Thursday, October 12th to honor our fall athletes The Coronation and dance were held on Friday, October 20th and were well attended. The 1st Quarter DEAR Incentive was held on October 20, 2023. The students that earned the incentive had the choice of playing in a Volleyball Tournament or playing board games in the library for the afternoon. All students seemed to enjoy the afternoon. Mrs. Lordemann, Mrs. Beekman, Mrs. Stone, Mrs. Rasmussen, and Mrs. Tenski attended the MTSS/CIP day on October 24th. We worked on a plan to keep the District moving forward in the MTSS/CIP process. We will meet again in January to form our District's Belief Statements and formulate our MTSS process that is now imbedded in the Continuous Improvement Process. The Sophomores and Seniors took the ASVAB on October 25<sup>th</sup>. The ASVAB is a test administered by the National Guard that is designed to evaluate students' strengths. It covers the areas of General Science, Reading comprehension, Mathematics, Electronics, Auto Shop, Mechanical & Assembling objects. Mrs.

Lordemann and the Junior Class attended the Boone County Business and Industry Day in Albion on October 26<sup>th</sup>. The FCCLA chapter hosted a Trunk or Treat for the community on October 31<sup>st</sup> and held their annual Blood Drive on November 1<sup>st</sup>.

### Recognition

Congratulations to Jerel Matchett and Jacob Reeves for being selected to participate in the Festival of Woodwinds at Doane University on November 4, 2023. Congratulations to Michael Blankenship and Skyelar Sindelar for earning the Homecoming King and Queen honors. Congratulations to Bristol Laska for making the Columbus Middle School Honor Band on November 11<sup>th</sup>.

### Mr. Osborn's Report

The concession stand window project has been moved to a summer 2024 project. There will not enough time over Christmas break to complete the project and be ready to start the second semester. The cafeteria garbage disposer has been replaced and as promised it was not a cheap adventure. This in an in-sink-erator model and they are the best and should last a long time! We were not one of the grant recipients for The Nebraska Department of Education Nutrition Services Equipment Assistance Grants for School Food Authorities. There were 50 applications received with 14 schools awarded funds. We were encouraged to apply for the 2024 grant next fall. The amount in the grant request was \$18,471.00 for the replacement of the cafeteria dishwasher which is in working order for now. We have a new development in our math department with a student teacher, Nathan Stark, coming for the second semester from Fort Hayes State University. He is working to get his local substitute teaching certificate. Our NGSE Cooperative Application has been approved by the NSAA. Mr. Gray completed our 8-man football declaration for the 2024-2025 season. Mr. Gray and Mr. Roscoe, Newman Grove's AD, will be working together on scheduling and other items. I would anticipate an additional Coop Committee Meetings in preparation for the 2024-2025 activity planning.

### Board Committee Reports

The Climate Committee met on October 13<sup>th</sup> at 1:45 pm.

The Policy Committee met on October 30<sup>th</sup> at 5:00 p.m. to discuss the early completion/graduation plan, and it is an action item on the agenda.

The Negotiations Committee met at 6:00 pm on October 30<sup>th</sup> for preparing for the 2024-2025 negotiations process and met again on November 6<sup>th</sup> with the SEEA negotiation Committee to discuss negotiations for the 2024-2025 school year. A joint BOE Negotiation Committee Meeting is scheduled for November 20<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 p.m. at St. Edward in my office. The purpose of this meeting will be to discuss compensation for the extra-duty assignments in the activities within the cooperative agreement

### 3. Consent Agenda

- a. Regular October 9, 2023 meeting minutes
- b. Financial Report
- c. Bills and Claims payment for November 2023.

It was moved by Roberts and seconded by Merrell to approve the consent agenda.

Roll call vote: Reardon-Yea, Roberts-Yea, Cruise-Yea, Merrell- Yea, Christman-Yea:  
Motion carried 6-0.

### 4. Personnel issues/concerns

- i. Administration
- ii. Certified staff
- iii. Classified staff

### b. Student issues/concerns

### c. Other discussion items

- i. ESU New Program Planning/Implementation
- ii. District insurance renewal

### d. Upcoming Meetings and Conferences:

Dave Roberts and Mr. Osborn will be attending the Education Conference in Omaha November 15<sup>th</sup> -17<sup>th</sup>

Mr. Osborn will be attending the NCSA Legislative Update on November 29<sup>th</sup>.

### 5. Action Items

- a. Discussion with action regarding an option enrollment past the deadline

It was moved by Roberts and seconded by Reardon to approve the option enrollment request.  
Roll call vote: Reardon-Yea, Roberts-Yea, Cruise-Yea, Merrell- Yea, Christman-Yea, Cumming – Yea.  
Motion carried 6-0.

b. Discussion with action to adopt policy 5206 for early graduation  
It was moved by Cumming and seconded by Reardon to adopt policy 5206 for early graduation.  
Roll call vote: Reardon-Yea, Roberts-Yea, Cruise-Yea, Merrell- Yea, Christman-Yea, Cumming – Yea.  
Motion carried 6-0.

c. Discussion with action to approve resignation of Christine Condrey at the end of the 2023-2024 school year.  
It was moved by Roberts and seconded by Christman to approve resignation of Christine Condrey at the end of the 2023-2024 school year.

Roll call vote: Reardon-Yea, Roberts-Yea, Cruise-Yea, Merrell- Yea, Christman-Yea, Cumming – Yea.  
Motion carried 6-0.

d. Discussion with action to recognize the St. Edward Education Association as the exclusive bargaining unit for district's certificated staff for 2025-2026 contract year – Did not advance due to lack of motion  
e. Evaluation of the Superintendent

Motion by Roberts and seconded by Merrell to enter a closed session at 8:21 p.m. due to necessity for protection of the public interest and protection of needless injury to the reputation of an individual.

Roll call vote: Christman- yea, Roberts - yea, Cumming- yea, Merrell - yea, Reardon- yea, Cruise - yea:  
Motion passes 6-0

Motion by Roberts and seconded by Merrell to exit the closed session at 10:06 p.m.

Roll call vote: Christman- yea, Roberts - yea, Cumming- yea, Merrell - yea, Reardon- yea, Cruise - yea:  
Motion passes 6-0

It was moved by Roberts and seconded by Merrell to approve the superintendent Osborn's evaluation as presented.

Roll call vote: Reardon-Yea, Roberts-Yea, Cruise-Yea, Merrell- Yea, Christman-Yea, Cumming – Yea.  
Motion carried 6-0.

6. The meeting was adjourned by Executive Authority at 10:26 p.m.