

EDUCATIONAL SERVICE UNIT 17
207 N. Main St. – Ainsworth, NE 69210
May 13, 2024

Present: Jody Dexter, Jan Knispel, Mark Ormesher, Gerry Carr (Arrived 5:05 p.m.), Lisa Chohon, Bruce Ferguson, Jean Pinney, Geraldine Erickson, and Marit Kaiser

Absent: Roxie Lindquist

President Mark Ormesher called the meeting to order at 5:01 p.m. The posting of the Open Meetings Act was acknowledged. The meeting notice was published on the ESU 17 website and on the front doors of ESU 17, Ainsworth Community Schools, Cody-Kilgore Unified Schools, Keya Paha County Schools, Rock County Public Schools, Valentine Community Schools and published in the Ainsworth Star Journal, Rock County Leader, Springview Herald, and Valentine Midland News.

1. Jan Knispel made a motion with a second from Lisa Chohon to approve the agenda as printed. Roll call vote was unanimous. Absent: Roxie Lindquist and Gerry Carr.
2. Lisa Chohon made a motion with a second from Jean Pinney to approve the minutes of the April 9, 2024, meeting. Roll call vote was unanimous. Absent: Roxie Lindquist and Gerry Carr.
3. Jody Dexter made a motion with a second from Bruce Ferguson to approve the April 30, 2024, financial report with an ending balance of \$1,993,077.56. Roll call vote was unanimous. Absent: Roxie Lindquist.
4. The listing of bills and claims was reviewed. Jody Dexter made a motion with a second from Gerry Carr to approve payment of claims totaling \$438,006.67. Roll call vote was unanimous. Absent: Roxie Lindquist.
5. Geraldine led a brief discussion regarding the administrative report. Discussion was had regarding employees who have resigned, been terminated, and hired. Multiple contracts and changes to contracts were discussed; as well as the conflict-of-interest statement, master service agreement, and IntraFi/CDARS information.
6. The building committee discussed the parking lot drainage issues at the training center and the concerns of Jim Hoch. Estimates for upgrading

the basement of the main ESU building were discussed due to the possible sale of the training center.

7. A motion was made by Lisa Chohon with a second from Gerry Carr to approve the resignation of Jordan LeZotte. Roll call vote was unanimous. Absent: Roxie Lindquist.
8. Jody Dexter made a motion to approve the resignation of Tammy Cheatum, ESUCC Canvas, with a second from Jan Knispel. Roll call vote was unanimous. Absent: Roxie Lindquist.
9. Jody Dexter made a motion to approve the termination of Ryan Mueller, ESUCC, with a second from Gerry Carr. Roll call vote was unanimous. Absent: Roxie Lindquist.
10. A motion was made by Gerry Carr with a second from Jean Pinney to approve the hire of Susan Haskell, ESU 17. Roll call vote was unanimous. Absent: Roxie Lindquist.
11. Jean Pinney made a motion to approve summer contracts for teachers. Jan Knispel seconded the motion. Roll call vote was unanimous. Absent: Roxie Lindquist.
12. A motion was made by Jody Dexter with a second from Jan Knispel to approve the contract amendment for Larianne Polk, ESUCC CEO. Roll call vote unanimous. Absent: Roxie Lindquist.
13. A motion was made by Lisa Chohon with a second from Gerry Carr for approve the contract with Hefner Electronics. Roll call vote was unanimous. Absent: Roxie Lindquist.
14. Jody Dexter made a motion to approve the ESU 17 service plan for 2024-2025. Lisa Chohon seconded the motion. Roll call vote was unanimous. Absent: Roxie Lindquist.
15. Jan Knispel made a motion to approve the Master Service Agreement with a second from Jean Pinney. Roll call vote was unanimous. Absent: Roxie Lindquist.
16. Jody Dexter made a motion, seconded by Jan Knispel to authorize the Educational Service Unit 17 Board President Mark Ormesher and the Educational Service Unit 17 Board Secretary Geraldine Carr to enter into Deposit Placement Agreements for the CDARS & ICS programs with Tri-

County Bank and further authorize the Administrator Geraldine Erickson, and Business Manager Marit Kaiser, to act on behalf of Educational Service Unit 17 and to conduct transactions for Educational Service Unit 17 as outlined on the Custodial Agreements attached. Roll call vote was unanimous. Absent: Roxie Lindquist.

17. Lisa Chohon made a motion to approve the absence of Roxie Lindquist. Gery Carr seconded the motion. Roll call vote was unanimous. Absent: Roxie Lindquist.
18. Jean Pinney made a motion to approve June 11th at 5:00 p.m. as the date and time of the next board meeting. Gerry Carr seconded the motion. Roll call vote was unanimous. Absent: Roxie Lindquist.
19. Jean Pinney made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:07 p.m.

Secretary