

**ESU 6 Board Meeting Minutes
September 8th, 2022**

Sandy Blankenship, Board Secretary, called the regular meeting of the Board of Educational Service Unit No. 6 to order at 6:06pm on September 8th, 2022.

Board members present:

- ✓ Jan Myers
- ✓ Chuck Evans
- x Carla Schwahn
- ✓ Sandy Blankenship
- ✓ Larry Starr
- x Dale Kahla
- x Eric Malina

ESU #6 Staff Present: Dr. John Skretta, Vicki Taylor, Nichole Hall, Michele Rayburn, Jamen Hall, April Kelley, Sydney Bristol

Sydney Bristol read the public meeting compliance statement and pointed out the posted location of the Nebraska Open Meeting Act. An advance notice of this meeting was sent to each of the newspapers in the unit area and the Lincoln Journal Star for publication.

Item 5: Special Report - invited speaker Jana Hughes, candidate for Legislative District 24

Mrs. Hughes shared her legislative priorities should she be elected to the Nebraska Legislature.

Item 6: Board Minutes, Bills & Financial Summary Approval (Consent Agenda):

It was moved by Jan Myers and seconded by Larry Starr to approve the minutes from the August meeting, September bills and Financial Summary. Motion carried 4-0-0-3.

Board Member	For	Against	Abstain	Absent
Chuck Evans	✓			
Dale Kahla				✓
Eric Malina				✓
Larry Starr	✓			
Carla Schwahn				✓

Sandy Blankenship	✓			
Jan Myers	✓			

Item 10: Information Items -

- A. Dr. John Skretta, ESU 6 Administrator, submitted and reviewed his written report. Dr. Skretta highlighted recent visits with Superintendents, and a forum for the Governor candidates sponsored by NRCSA on September 20th in Grand Island. He also highlighted that ESU 6 had the highest 2021-22 COOP sales and most savings to its schools amongst ESUs in Nebraska!
- B. Nichole Hall, Director of Human Resources, submitted and reviewed her written report.
- C. April Kelley, Director of Professional Development, submitted and reviewed her written report. She discussed a collaboration between 9 ESUs to bring Cy Wakeman to Nebraska for a Leadership Retreat.
- D. Dr. Michele Rayburn, Director of Student Services, submitted and reviewed her written report. She highlighted the CRAVE program starting their school year onsite at ESU 6.
- E. Jamen Hall, Director of Technology, submitted and reviewed his written report. He discussed staffing concerns and the potential for an internship program.

Item 11: Special Hearing to Set Final Tax Request

- a. It was moved by Jan Myers and seconded by Larry Starr to recess the regular meeting and convene the Special Hearing to set the final tax request at 7:00PM. Motion carried 4-0-0-3.

Board Member	For	Against	Abstain	Absent
Sandy Blankenship	✓			
Chuck Evans	✓			
Dale Kahla				✓
Jan Myers	✓			
Carla Schwahn				✓
Larry Starr	✓			
Eric Malina				✓

- b. A Special Hearing to set the final tax request was conducted. No action was taken at this time.

- c. It was moved by Jan Myers and seconded by Larry Starr to adjourn the Special Hearing and reconvene the regular meeting at 7:03PM. Motion carried 4-0-0-3.

Board Member	For	Against	Abstain	Absent
Sandy Blankenship	✓			
Chuck Evans	✓			
Dale Kahla				✓
Jan Myers	✓			
Carla Schwahn				✓
Larry Starr	✓			
Eric Malina				✓

Item 12: Budget

- a. Approve the 2022-2023 ESU 6 Operating Budget

It was moved by Jan Myers and seconded by Chuck Evans to approve the 2021-2022 ESU 6 Operating Budget. Motion carried 4-0-0-3.

Board Member	For	Against	Abstain	Absent
Sandy Blankenship	✓			
Chuck Evans	✓			
Dale Kahla				✓
Jan Myers	✓			
Carla Schwahn				✓
Larry Starr	✓			
Eric Malina				✓

- b. Adopt Resolution No. 2023: Resolution Setting the Property Tax Request

It was moved by Jan Myers and seconded by Larry Starr to adopt Resolution No. 2023 as presented. Motion carried 4-0-0-3.

Board Member	For	Against	Abstain	Absent
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Sandy Blankenship	✓			
Chuck Evans	✓			
Dale Kahla				✓
Jan Myers	✓			
Carla Schwahn				✓
Larry Starr	✓			
Eric Malina				✓

Item 13: Consideration of Board Representative Attendance at the State Education Conference.

The NASB State Education conference is scheduled for November 16 - 18th at CHI Health Center in Omaha. Board members are to let Sydney Bristol know if they would like to attend.

Item 14: AESA, NASB, NRCSA, and ESUCC Updates

Updates were provided on the listed organizations.

Item 15: Adjourn

Sandy Blankenship, Board Secretary, adjourned the regular meeting of ESU 6 Board of Directors at 7:11 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted,

Sandy Blankenship, Board Secretary

Eric Malina, Board President

**The next regular meeting of the ESU 6 Board of Directors will occur on Thursday, October 13, 2022 at 6:00pm.*