ESU 6 Board Meeting Minutes June 9th, 2022

Eric Malina, Board President, called the regular meeting of the Board of Educational Service Unit No. 6 to order at 6:05pm on June 9th, 2022.

Board members present:

- ✓ Jan Myers
- ✓ Chuck Evans (arrived at 6:19pm)
- ✓ Carla Schwahn
- x Sandy Blankenship (absent)
- ✓ Larry Starr
- ✓ Dale Kahla
- ✓ Eric Malina

ESU #6 Staff Present: Dr. John Skretta, Vicki Taylor, Nichole Hall, April Kelley, Jamen Hall, Dr. Michele Rayburn, and 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 area newspapers and Lincoln Journal Star for publication.

Item 5: Invited speakers / special guest report

SENCAP representatives, Brian Stark and Cinda Konken, presented information on the SENCAP Career Academy program.

*Chuck Evans arrived at 6:19pm.

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

*Vicki Taylor, Director of Business Services, updated the Board on the increased IRS mileage rate.

It was moved by Jan Myers and seconded by Larry Starr to approve the minutes from the May meeting, June bills and Financial Summary. Motion carried 6-0-0-1.

Board Member	For	Against	Abstain	Absent
Sandy Blankenship				~
Chuck Evans	~			
Dale Kahla	~			

Jan Myers	~		
Carla Schwahn	~		
Larry Starr	~		
Eric Malina	>		

Item 10: Information Items -

A. Dr. John Skretta, ESU 6 Administrator, discussed his written report. Dr. Skretta has been working with school districts, ESU colleagues, and post-secondary partners on multiple Educator Pipeline grants to be awarded by the Nebraska Department of Education.

Item 11: Approval of annual ESU policy updates as recommended by legal council.

A first reading and review of ESU policy updates as recommended by legal counsel due to statutory changes was conducted. No action was necessary.

Item 12: Action Item: Renewal of TRANE annual services agreement

It was moved by Jan Myers and seconded by Carla Schwahn to renew the TRANE annual services agreement. Motion carried 6-0-0-1.

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

Item 13: Personnel

A. Approve contract for Jodi Mootz, Early Learning Connection Assistant Coordinator, 1.0 FTE

It was moved by Dale Kahla and seconded by Larry Starr to approve the contract for Jodi Mootz, Early Learning Connection Assistant Coordinator at 1.0 FTE. Motion carried 6-0-0-1.

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

B. Accept resignation of Simone Marget, TYKE Paraeducator

It was moved by Jan Myers and seconded by Dale Kahla to accept the resignation of Simone Marget, TYKE paraeducator. Motion carried 6-0-0-1.

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

C. Accept resignation of Matt Heusman, Professional Development Consultant

It was moved by Carla Schwahn and seconded by Jan Myers to accept the resignation of Matt Heusman, Professional Development Consultant. Motion carried 6-0-0-1.

Board Member	For	Against	Abstain	Absent
Sandy Blankenship				~

Chuck Evans	~		
Dale Kahla	~		
Jan Myers	~		
Carla Schwahn	~		
Larry Starr	~		
Eric Malina	~		

D. Approval of Extended Contracts for Special Education Continuous Services

It was moved by Dale Kahla and seconded by Jan Myers to approve the extended school year contracts for Special Education continuous services. Motion carried 6-0-0-1.

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

E. Approval of Board Salary Committee recommendations compensation packages for Paraeducators, Specialists, and Central Office staff

It was moved by Dale Kahla, on behalf of the Board Salary Committee, to approve the recommended compensation packages for paraeducators, specialists, and central office staff as presented. Motion carried 6-0-0-1.

Board Member	For	Against	Abstain	Absent
Sandy Blankenship				~
Chuck Evans	~			

Dale Kahla	~		
Jan Myers	~		
Carla Schwahn	~		
Larry Starr	~		
Eric Malina	~		

F. Superintendent Pay Transparency Act

It was moved by Dale Kahla, on behalf of the Board Salary Committee, to approve the proposed amendment to the existing contract for the Administrator for 2022-2023. Motion carried 6-0-0-1.

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

14: AESA, NASB, NRCSA, and ESUCC Updates

Dr. Skretta provided updates on these ESU 6 member organizations.

15: Adjourn

Eric Malina, Board President, adjourned the regular meeting of ESU 6 Board of Directors at 6:57 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted,

Eric Malina, Board President

Sandy Blankenship, Board Secretary

The next meeting of the ESU 6 Board of Directors will occur on Thursday, July 14th at 6PM at Board Member Jan Myers' home.