

**ESU 6 Board Meeting Minutes
November 9th, 2023**

Eric Malina, Board President, called the regular meeting of the Board of Educational Service Unit No. 6 to order at 6:02 P.M. on November 9th, 2023.

Board members present:

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

ESU 6 Staff Present: Dr. John Skretta, Nichole Hall, Jamen Hall, Vicki Taylor, Dr. Michele Rayburn, 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 area newspapers for publication.

Item 6: Invited Guest Speakers, ESU 6 SUCCESS Program

ESU 6 SUCCESS program teachers and ESU 6 Student Services Supervisor, Holli Lovegrove, Casey Head, Taytum Stutzman, and Kaela Lockhart, gave a presentation on the ESU 6 SUCCESS program.

Items 8 - 10: Board Minutes, Bills & Financial Summary Approval (Consent Agenda):

It was moved by Jan Myers and seconded by Dale Kahla to approve the minutes from the 10/12/2023 regular meeting, November 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 11: Certificate of Deposit Refinance - Vicki Taylor, Director of Business Services, provided updates on the IRS payroll taxes and refinancing existing certificates of deposits at Jones Bank to a 42 month term at 5.25%. No action was necessary.

Item 12: Information Items -

- A. Dr. John Skretta, ESU 6 Administrator, submitted and reviewed his written report. Dr. Skretta began by thanking the SUCCESS program for presenting to the ESU 6 Board. He highlighted the Senators’ Panel at the beginning of November at ESU 6 which included Senators Brandt, Dorn and Hughes. He also described the ESU keynote panel and Dr. Lynne Herr’s presentation at the Educator Shortage Summit in October in Kearney.
- B. Nichole Hall, Director of Human Resources, submitted and reviewed her written report. Nichole announced that Student Services is interviewing for an assistant on November 13th. She also highlighted that she was a panelist at Doane’s EPiC Day, along with Graphic Designer Elisa Taylor and Technology Director Jamen Hall.
- C. April Kelley, Director of Professional Development, submitted and reviewed her written report. April highlighted a new mentoring program in the Professional Development department being led by Dr. Amber Vlasnik.
- D. Dr. Michele Rayburn, Director of Student Services, submitted a written report. Dr. Rayburn also thanked the SUCCESS program for their great presentation.
- E. Jamen Hall, Director of Technology, submitted and reviewed his written report. Jamen discussed the work his team has done on automating tasks this year and also the need for additional cybersecurity measures to protect schools from increasingly sophisticated phishing attacks and other security threats.

Item 13: Correspondence

There were no correspondence updates for the November board meeting.

Item 14: Request to consider rescheduling January Board meeting from January 11, 2024 to January 18, 2024.

It was moved by Dale Kahla and seconded by Jan Myers to move the January 11, 2024 Board meeting to January 18, 2024, beginning at 6:00pm. 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 15: Accept the resignation of Board member, Chuck Evans, District 1

It was moved by Sandy Blankenship and seconded by Carla Schwahn to accept the resignation of Chuck Evans, Board member representing District 1. 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 16: Personnel

There were no personnel changes for the November Board meeting.

Item 17: AESA, NASB, NRCSA and ESUCC Updates

Updates were provided on the listed member organizations. Two Board members will be attending the AESA conference at the end of the month and will report out at the December meeting.

Item 18: Adjourn

Eric Malina, Board President, adjourned the regular meeting of ESU 6 Board of Directors at 7:18 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, December 14, 2023 at 4:30pm at Chances R (124 W Fifth St, York 68467).