

**ESU 6 Board Meeting Minutes
February 10th, 2022**

Dale Kahla, Board Vice President, called the regular meeting of the Board of Educational Service Unit No. 6 to order at 6:07pm on February 10th, 2022.

Board members present:

- Jan Myers (absent)
- Chuck Evans
- Carla Schwahn
- Sandy Blankenship (via Zoom)
- Larry Starr
- Dale Kahla
- Eric Malina (absent)

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

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 Special Report: Ed Swotek, NASB

Region 10 NASB representative Ed Swotek gave a report on the Nebraska Association of School Boards and the staff and programming offered.

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

It was moved by Carla Schwahn and seconded by Chuck Evans to approve the minutes from the January organizational meeting, February bills and Financial Summary. Motion carried 5-0-0-2.

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, providing a legislative update on LB1218 which is the Education Committee priority bill.
- B. Nichole Hall, Human Resources Director, submitted a written report.
- C. April Kelley, Professional Development Director, submitted a written report, and highlighted Dr. Lynne Herr starting networks for Art & Music Teachers which have been very well received.
- D. Dr. Michele Rayburn, Director of Student Services, submitted a written report and highlighted that ESU 6 earned a VR (Vocational Rehabilitation) grant that will provide additional summer offerings for our transition program students.
- E. Jamen Hall, Director of Technology, submitted a written report and discussed the upcoming replacement of the server room’s air conditioner.

Item 11: Board Retreat

It was discussed that Sydney Bristol will send a poll to schedule a date to hold the Board Retreat.

No action was necessary.

Item 12: NDOT Notice of Right of Way Acquisition related to Highway Improvement Project

Discussion was held about the NDOT notice of right of way acquisition related to the highway improvement project which will temporarily affect ESU 6’s property but only for the duration of the highway six resurfacing an improvement project schedule for 2023.

No action was necessary.

Item 13: Strategic Planning Mission, Vision, and Goal Statements

It was moved by Carla Schwahn and seconded by Larry Starr to ratify the mission, vision, and goal statements as presented. Motion carried 5-0-0-2.

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

Larry Starr	✓			
Eric Malina				✓

Item 14: Acceptance of the Annual Audit

It was moved by Sandy Blankenship and seconded by Larry Starr to accept the annual audit. Motion carried 5-0-0-2.

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

Item 15: Excuse Absence of Board Member

It was moved by Chuck Evans and seconded by Carla Schwahn to excuse the absence of Jan Myers from the January 13th, 2022 organizational meeting. Motion carried 5-0-0-2.

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

Item 16: Personnel

A. Approve work agreement for Donna Otte, CRAVE (Seward) Skills Trainer, 1.0 FTE

It was moved by Carla Schwahn and seconded by Larry Starr to approve the work agreement for Donna Otte, CRAVE (Seward) Skills Trainer at 1.0 FTE. Motion carried 5-0-0-2.

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

B. Annual Evaluation of Administrator

The annual evaluation of the Administrator was conducted. No action was necessary.

17: AESA, NASB, NRCSA, and ESUCC Updates

Dr. Skretta provided updates on the member organizations. He highlighted the ESUCC Legislative Day and the program areas showcased from ESU 6, which included our 18-21 Transition programs CRAVE and Project Search, as well as our contracted Technology Services.

18: Adjourn

Dale Kahla, Board Vice President, adjourned the regular meeting of ESU 6 Board of Directors at 7:24 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted,

Dale Kahla, Board Vice President

Sandy Blankenship, Board Secretary

The next meeting of the ESU 6 Board of Directors will occur on Thursday, March 10th at 6PM at ESU 6 Milford.