

MINUTES

STATE COMMITTEE FOR THE REORGANIZATION OF SCHOOL DISTRICTS October 18, 2013

Nebraska State Office Building, State Board Room- 6th Floor,
301 Centennial Mall South, Lincoln, Nebraska 68509
9:30 a.m.

1. Call to order (roll call).

Gerry Osborn called the meeting to order at 9:30 a.m.

Roll Call of Committee Members:

Dale Fornander, Teresa Hawk, Gerry Osborn, Kendall Moseley, Gil Kettelhut

Others Present:

Brian Halstead, General Counsel, NDE

Micki Iverson, School Finance & Organization Services, NDE

2. Mr. Osborn announced that information regarding the Open Meetings Act is found on the East wall of this room on the south side of the door.
3. Approval of Minutes from the May 29, 2013 meeting.

A motion was made by Dale Fornander and seconded by Kendall Moseley to approve the minutes.

Aye: Gerry Osborn, Dale Fornander, Teresa Hawk, Kendall Moseley, Gil Kettelhut
Motion Carried

4. Public Hearing: Public Hearing Arthur and Grant County: Pursuant to §79-413 and 79-415 R.R.S. regarding the transfer of parcels of land between:
 - Arthur County School District 03-0500, commonly known as Arthur County Schools, (a Class II School) and:
 - Grant County School District 38-0011, commonly known as Hyannis Area Schools, (a Class III School).
(Effective 1-1-14) (Case LT 179)

5. A motion was made by Kendall Moseley and seconded by Teresa Hawk to approve the land transfer as previously presented.

Aye: Kendall Moseley, Gerry Osborn, Dale Fornander, Teresa Hawk, Gil Kettelhut
Motion Carried

6. Public Comment: None
7. Other Business: Discussion about possible reorganization activity that would need the committee's attention.
8. The meeting was adjourned at 9:55 a.m.

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STATE COMMITTEE FOR THE REORGANIZATION OF SCHOOL DISTRICTS January 29, 2014

Nebraska State Office Building, State Board Room- 6th Floor,
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9:30 a.m.

1. Call to order (roll call).

Gerry Osborn called the meeting to order at 9:30 a.m.

Roll Call of Committee Members:

Kendall Moseley

Dale Fornander

Teresa Hawk

Gil Kettelhut

Gerry Osborn

Others Present:

Brian Halstead, General Counsel, NDE

Micki Iverson, School Finance & Organization Services, NDE

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3. Approval of Minutes from the October 18, 2013 meeting.

A motion was made by Dale Fornander and seconded by Kendall Moseley to approve the minutes.

Aye: Gerry Osborn, Dale Fornander, Teresa Hawk, Gil Kettelhut, Kendall Moseley

Absent: None

Motion Carried

4. Public Hearing: Boone and Greeley County: Board to Board Petition pursuant to §79-413 and 415, to reorganize the following schools by dissolution and creating a new district:
 - Boone County School District 06-0006, commonly known as Cedar Rapids Schools, (a Class III School) and:
 - Greeley County School District 39-0055, commonly known as Spalding Schools, (a Class III School).(Effective 8-1-14) [Karen Haase] (Case 2995)

Proponents:

Karen Haase, Cedar Rapids Public Schools & Spalding Public Schools, Attorney

Stephanie Kazcor, Superintendent, Spalding Public Schools

Joan Carraher, Superintendent, Cedar Rapids Public Schools

Julie Martinsen, Board President, Cedar Rapids Public Schools

Allison Rankin, Board President, Spalding Public Schools

5. Action on Public Hearing:
Approve or disapprove the petition as previously presented in 4.

A motion was made by Gil Kettelhut and seconded by Teresa Hawk to approve the dissolution as previously presented.

**Aye: Gerry Osborn, Kendall Moseley, Dale Fornander, Teresa Hawk, Gil Kettelhut
Absent: None
Motion Carried**

6. Boone and Greeley County: Appointment of Board Members for the newly created Boone County School District (06-0075) (Case 2995A)

A motion was made by Kendall Moseley and seconded by Dale Fornander to approve the appointment of Board Members as presented.

**Aye: Teresa Hawk, Gil Kettelhut, Gerry Osborn, Kendall Moseley, Dale Fornander
Absent: None
Motion Carried**

7. Public Comment: None
8. Other Business: Discussion about upcoming mergers. Future dates for meetings in April and May.
9. The meeting was adjourned at 10:20 a.m.

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STATE COMMITTEE FOR THE REORGANIZATION OF SCHOOL DISTRICTS April 29, 2014

Nebraska State Office Building, State Board Room- 6th Floor,
301 Centennial Mall South, Lincoln, Nebraska 68509
9:30 a.m.

1. Call to order (roll call).

Gerry Osborn called the meeting to order at 9:32 a.m.

Roll Call of Committee Members:

Kendall Moseley
Dale Fornander - Absent
Teresa Hawk
Gil Kettelhut
Gerry Osborn

Others Present:

Brian Halstead, General Counsel, NDE
Micki Iverson, School Finance & Organization Services, NDE
Bryce Wilson, Director School Finance & Organization Services, NDE

2. Mr. Osborn announced that information regarding the Open Meetings Act is found on the East wall of this room on the south side of the door.
3. Approval of Minutes from the January 29, 2014 meeting.

A motion was made by Gil Kettelhut and seconded by Teresa Hawk to approve the minutes.

Aye: Gerry Osborn, Teresa Hawk, Gil Kettelhut, Kendall Moseley

Absent: Dale Fornander

Motion Carried

4. Public Hearing:

A. Cedar County: Board to Board Petition pursuant to §79-413 and 415, to reorganize the following schools by dissolution of:

- Cedar County School District 541, commonly known as Coleridge Community Schools, (a Class III School) and creating an enlarged:
- Cedar County School District 54, commonly known as Laurel-Concord Public Schools, (a Class III School).
(Effective 8-1-14) [John Recknor] (Case 2996)

Proponents:

John Recknor, Coleridge Community Schools & Laurel-Concord Public Schools, Attorney
Randy Klooz, Superintendent, Coleridge Community Schools & Laurel-Concord Public Schools
Craig Frerichs, Coleridge Community Schools
Jay Hall, Laurel-Concord School Board

B. Public Hearing: Dixon and Cedar County: Board to Board Petition pursuant to §79-413 and 415, to reorganize the following schools by dissolution of:

- Dixon County School District 24, commonly known as Newcastle Public Schools, (a Class III School) and creating an enlarged:
- Cedar County School District 8, commonly known as Hartington Public Schools, (a Class III School).

(Effective 8-1-14) [John Recknor]

(Case 2997)

Proponents:

**John Recknor, Newcastle Public Schools, Attorney
Joe Lefdal, Superintendent, Newcastle Public Schools
Randall Anderson, Superintendent, Hartington Public Schools**

Opponents:

Brian James, Newcastle

5. Action on Public Hearing:

Approve or disapprove the petition as previously presented in 4A.

- Dissolve Coleridge Community Schools and create an enlarged Laurel-Concord Public Schools

A motion was made by Kendall Moseley and seconded by Teresa Hawk to approve the petition as previously presented.

Aye: Gerry Osborn, Kendall Moseley, Teresa Hawk, Gil Kettelhut

Absent: Dale Fornander

Motion Carried

Approve or disapprove the petition as previously presented in 4B.

- Dissolve Newcastle Public Schools and create an enlarged Hartington Public Schools

A motion was made by Gil Kettelhut and seconded by Kendall Moseley to approve the petition as previously presented.

Aye: Teresa Hawk, Gil Kettelhut, Gerry Osborn, Kendall Moseley

Absent: Dale Fornander

Motion Carried

6. Public Comment: None

7. Other Business: Next meeting on Tuesday, May 20, 2014.

8. The meeting was adjourned at 10:19 a.m.

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STATE COMMITTEE FOR THE REORGANIZATION OF SCHOOL DISTRICTS May 20, 2014

Nebraska State Office Building, State Board Room- 6th Floor,
301 Centennial Mall South, Lincoln, Nebraska 68509
9:30 a.m.

1. Call to order (roll call).

Gerry Osborn called the meeting to order at 9:32 a.m.

Roll Call of Committee Members:

Kendall Moseley

Dale Fornander

Teresa Hawk

Gil Kettelhut

Gerry Osborn

Others Present:

Brian Halstead, General Counsel, NDE

Micki Iverson, School Finance & Organization Services, NDE

Bryce Wilson, Director School Finance & Organization Services, NDE

2. Mr. Osborn announced that information regarding the Open Meetings Act is found on the East wall of this room on the south side of the door.
3. Approval of Minutes from the April 29, 2014 meeting.

A motion was made by Kendall Moseley and seconded by Teresa Hawk to approve the minutes.

Aye: Gerry Osborn, Teresa Hawk, Gil Kettelhut, Kendall Moseley, Dale Fornander

Absent: None

Motion Carried

4. Public Hearing:

A. Public Hearing: Greeley County: Board to Board Petition pursuant to §79-413 and 415, to dissolve the following schools and creating a new district:

- Greeley County School District 39-0010, commonly known as Greeley-Wolbach Schools, (a Class III School) and:
- Greeley County School District 39-0501, commonly known as North Loup-Scotia Schools, (a Class III School).
(Effective 8-1-14) [Karen Haase] (Case 2998)

Proponents:

**Karen Haase, Greeley-Wolbach Public Schools & North Loup-Scotia Public Schools,
Attorney**

James Duval, Superintendent, North Loup-Scotia Public Schools

Amy Malander, Superintendent, Greeley-Wolbach Public Schools

5. Action on Public Hearing:
Approve or disapprove the petition as previously presented in 4A.
- Dissolve Greeley-Wolbach Public Schools and North Loup-Scotia Public Schools and create a new district.

A motion was made by Kendall Moseley and seconded by Dale Fornander to approve the petition as previously presented.

**Aye: Gerry Osborn, Kendall Moseley, Teresa Hawk, Gil Kettelhut, Dale Fornander
Absent: None
Motion Carried**

6. Boone and Greeley County: Appointment of Board Members for the newly created Greeley County School District (Case 2998A)

A motion was made by Kendall Moseley and seconded by Gil Kettelhut to approve the appointment of Board Members as presented.

**Aye: Teresa Hawk, Gil Kettelhut, Gerry Osborn, Kendall Moseley, Dale Fornander
Absent: None
Motion Carried**

7. Boone/Greeley County Support Grants: Pursuant to §79-1011, R.R.S., approval of application for Support Grant payments submitted by Boone County School District 06-0006, commonly known as Cedar Rapids Schools, (a Class III School) and Greeley County School District 39-0055, commonly known as Spalding Schools, (a Class III School). (File I2995)

A motion was made by Dale Fornander and seconded by Teresa Hawk to approve the support grants as previously presented.

**Aye: Teresa Hawk, Gil Kettelhut, Gerry Osborn, Kendall Moseley, Dale Fornander
Absent: None
Motion Carried**

Cedar/Dixon County Support Grants: Pursuant to §79-1011, R.R.S. approval of application for Support Grant payments submitted by Dixon County School District 24-0024, commonly known as Newcastle Public Schools, (a Class III School) and Cedar County School District 14-0008, commonly known as Hartington Public Schools, (a Class III School). (File I2997)

A motion was made by Gil Kettelhut and seconded by Kendall Moseley to approve the support grants as previously presented.

**Aye: Teresa Hawk, Gil Kettelhut, Gerry Osborn, Kendall Moseley, Dale Fornander
Absent: None
Motion Carried**

Greeley County Support Grants: Pursuant to §79-1011, R.R.S., approval of application for Support Grant payments submitted by Greeley County School District 39-0010, commonly known as Greeley-Wolbach Schools, (a Class III School) and Greeley County School District 39-0501, commonly known as North Loup-Scotia Schools, (a Class III School). (File I2998)

A motion was made by Dale Fornander and seconded by Teresa Hawk to approve the support grants as previously presented.

Aye: Teresa Hawk, Gil Kettelhut, Gerry Osborn, Kendall Moseley, Dale Fornander
Absent: None
Motion Carried

Cedar County Support Grants: Pursuant to §79-1011, R.R.S., approval of application for Support Grant payments submitted by Cedar County School District 14-0541, commonly known as Coleridge Community Schools, (a Class III School) and Cedar County School District 14-0054, commonly known as Laurel-Concord Public Schools, (a Class III School). (File I2996)

A motion was made by Kendall Moseley and seconded by Gil Kettelhut to approve the support grants as previously presented.

Aye: Teresa Hawk, Gil Kettelhut, Gerry Osborn, Kendall Moseley, Dale Fornander
Absent: None
Motion Carried

8. Public Comment: None
9. Other Business: Resignation of Gil Kettelhut from the State Committee for the Reorganization of School Districts effective June 30, 2014.
10. The meeting was adjourned at 10:10 a.m.

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STATE COMMITTEE FOR THE REORGANIZATION OF SCHOOL DISTRICTS June 18, 2014

Via video conference at the following sites:

Nebraska State Office Building, V-Tel Room - 6th Floor, 301 Centennial Mall South, Lincoln, Nebraska, 68509
Creek Valley Public Schools, Distance Learning Room, 6th & Hayward, Chappell, NE, 68129
Bertrand Public Schools, Distance Learning Room, 503 School Street, Bertrand, NE, 68927
ESU 3, 6949 S. 110th Street, Omaha, NE, 68128
ESU 17, 207 N Main Street, Ainsworth, NE, 69210

1. Call to order (roll call).

Gerry Osborn called the meeting to order at 1:32 p.m.

Roll Call of Committee Members:

1. **Gerry Osborn – ESU 17 site**
2. **Kendall Moseley – Bertrand Public Schools site**
3. **Dale Fornander – Creek Valley Public Schools site**
4. **Teresa Hawk - Absent**
5. **Gil Kettelhut – ESU #3 site**

Others Present:

Brian Halstead, General Counsel, NDE site
Micki Iverson, School Finance & Organization Services, NDE site
Bryce Wilson, School Finance & Organization Services, NDE site
Steve Williams, Attorney, Harding & Schultz, NDE site

2. Mr. Osborn announced that information regarding the Open Meetings Act is found at each video conference site.
3. Approve re-unification agreement of Thayer County School District 0047-Davenport Public Schools and Thayer County School District 0094- Bruning Public Schools.
(Effective 5-30-2014 to 5-30-2021) (Case U 16)

A motion was made by Dale Fornander and seconded by Gil Kettelhut to approve the unification as previously presented.

Aye: Gil Kettelhut, Gerry Osborn, Kendall Moseley, Dale Fornander

Absent – Teresa Hawk

Motion Carried

4. No Executive Session needed.
5. The meeting was adjourned at 1:40 p.m.