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STATE COMMITTEE FOR THE REORGANIZATION OF SCHOOL DISTRICTS August 18, 2016

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).

Dale Fornander called the meeting to order at 9:30 a.m.

Roll Call of Committee Members:

Ted DeTurk

Gerry Osborn

Kendall Moseley (absent)

Dale Fornander

Teresa Hawk

Others Present:

Brian Halstead, General Counsel, NDE

Micki Iverson, School Finance & Organization Services, NDE

2. Mr. Fornander announced that information regarding the Open Meetings Act is located on the back wall of the State Board Room.
3. Approval of Minutes from the May 31, 2016, meeting.

A motion was made by Gerry Osborn and seconded by Ted DeTurk to approve the minutes.

Aye: Teresa Hawk, Gerry Osborn, Dale Fornander, Ted DeTurk

Kendall Moseley- absent

Motion Carried

4. Public Hearing:
 - A. Public Hearing: Burt County: Board to Board Petition pursuant to §79-413 and 415, to reorganize the following schools by dissolution of:
 - Burt County School District 0014, commonly known as Oakland-Craig Public Schools, (a Class III School) and Burt County School District 0001, commonly known as Tekamah-Herman Public Schools, (a Class III School) and to create a new school district. (Case 2999)

The Committee heard from the following proponents, opponents, and neutral testifiers:

Proponents:

Jerry McCall
Brett Johnson
Gordy Bryant

Bret Brodersen
Terry Richards
Sam Schmidt

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Opponents:

Aaron Anderson
Brad Hawkins
Burt Rogers
Deborah Anderson
Jeff Troupe

Gus Ray
Rhonda Bromm
Teresa Rogers
Nikki Ray
Laurie Elliott

Neutral:

Jeff Smith
Cody Wick

Dan Gross
Jim Gessford

5. Public Comment: None.
6. Other Business - none
7. The meeting was adjourned at 11:26 a.m.

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STATE COMMITTEE FOR THE REORGANIZATION OF SCHOOL DISTRICTS January 10, 2017

Nebraska State Office Building, Conference Room B – Lower Level,
301 Centennial Mall South, Lincoln, Nebraska 68509
9:30 am

1. Call to order (roll call).

Dale Fornander called the meeting to order at 10:04 a.m.

Roll Call of Committee Members:

Ted DeTurk

Gerry Osborn

Alan Garey (absent)

Dale Fornander

Teresa Hawk

Others Present:

Brian Halstead, General Counsel, NDE

Micki Iverson, School Finance & Organization Services, NDE

Bryce Wilson, School Finance & Organization Services, NDE

2. Mr. Fornander announced that information regarding the Open Meetings Act is located on the back wall of the Lower Level Conference Room B.
3. Approval of Minutes from the August 18, 2016, meeting.

A motion was made by Gerry Osborn and seconded by Ted DeTurk to approve the minutes.

Aye: Teresa Hawk, Gerry Osborn, Dale Fornander, Ted DeTurk

Alan Garey - absent

Motion Carried

4. Public Hearings:

A. Sarpy County: Pursuant to §79-4,117 and 79-4,129 R.R.S. regarding the transfer of parcels of land between:

Sarpy County School District 77-0046, commonly known as Springfield Platteview Community Schools, (a Class III School) and Sarpy County School District 77-0027, commonly known as Papillion-LaVista Community Schools, (a Class III School) (Ashbury Farms)
(Case LT 180)

Sarpy County School District 77-0046, commonly known as Springfield Platteview Community Schools, (a Class III School) and Sarpy County School District 77-0027, commonly known as Papillion-LaVista Community Schools, (a Class III School)(Founders Ridge);
(Case LT 181)

Sarpy County School District 77-0046, commonly known as Springfield Platteview Community Schools, (a Class III School) and Sarpy County School District 77-0001, commonly known as Bellevue Public Schools, (a Class III School)(Cedar Grove);
(Case LT 182)

Sarpy County School District 77-0046, commonly known as Springfield Platteview Community Schools, (a Class III School) and Sarpy County School District 77-0001, commonly known as Bellevue Public Schools, (a Class III School)(Liberty).
(Case LT 183)

Exhibit 1 in each case included all of the information filed with the committee to date.

The Committee heard from Jim Gessford on the Land Transfer cases.

B. Public Hearing: Boyd County: Plan for a Call for Election pursuant to 79-432 through 79-451, to reorganize the following schools by dissolving:

- Boyd County School District 08-0036-000, commonly known as Lynch Public Schools (a Class III School), and
- Boyd County School District 08-0050-000 West Boyd Public Schools (a Class III School) and creating a new Class III school district.

(Effective 1-1-2017) [Kelley Baker] (Case 271)

Exhibits entered into record and to become a part of the petition file:

Exhibit 1 ~ Plan for Call for Election filed with the committee

Exhibit 2 ~ notice of hearing and proof of publication

Exhibit 3 ~ Petition signature pages for State Reorganization Committee to approve the plan and submit the matter for an election

Exhibit 4 ~ Map of Boyd County

Exhibit 5 ~ Newspaper ad – Cindy Schroetlin for West Boyd School Board of Education

Exhibit 6 ~ 2016-17 County Membership By Grade table

Exhibit 7 ~ Newspaper clipping – Boyd County Proposal outline

The Committee heard from the following individuals:

<u>Proponents:</u>	<u>Opponents:</u>
Kelley Baker	Tricia Hipke
John Recknor	Daniel Ohri
Cindy Schroetlin	Melanie Black
Lavern Higgins	Jeremy Boettcher
Beth Drueke	Norma Boettcher
James Bernt	Rex Black
Ron Atkinson	Todd Boettcher
Michael Hoffman	
Shane Lechtenberg	
Russell Lechtenberg	
Cindy Nolan	
April Micaneck	
Perry Dekay	
Ted Hillman	

5. Executive Session:

A motion to enter into Executive Session to receive advice from legal counsel was made by Ted DeTurk and seconded by Gerry Osborn at 12:49 p.m.

**Aye: Teresa Hawk, Gerry Osborn, Dale Fornander, Ted DeTurk
Alan Garey - absent
Motion Carried**

A motion to return to regular meeting status was made by Gerry Osborn and seconded by Teresa Hawk at 2:07 pm.

**Aye: Teresa Hawk, Gerry Osborn, Dale Fornander, Ted DeTurk
Alan Garey - absent
Motion Carried**

6. Action on Sarpy County School District 77-0046, commonly known as Springfield Platteview Community Schools, (a Class III School) and Sarpy County School District 77-0027, commonly known as Papillion-LaVista Community Schools, (a Class III School) (Ashbury Farms)
(Case LT 180)

A motion was made by Gerry Osborn and seconded by Teresa Hawk to approve the land transfer as previously described.

**Aye: Teresa Hawk, Gerry Osborn, Dale Fornander, Ted DeTurk
Alan Garey - absent
Motion Carried**

7. Action on Sarpy County School District 77-0046, commonly known as Springfield Platteview Community Schools, (a Class III School) and Sarpy County School District 77-0027, commonly known as Papillion-LaVista Community Schools, (a Class III School)(Founders Ridge);
(Case LT 181)

A motion was made by Ted DeTurk and seconded by Gerry Osborn to approve the land transfer as previously described.

**Aye: Teresa Hawk, Gerry Osborn, Dale Fornander, Ted DeTurk
Alan Garey - absent
Motion Carried**

8. Action on Sarpy County School District 77-0046, commonly known as Springfield Platteview Community Schools, (a Class III School) and Sarpy County School District 77-0001, commonly known as Bellevue Public Schools, (a Class III School)(Cedar Grove);
(Case LT 182)

A motion was made by Gerry Osborn and seconded by Ted DeTurk to approve the land transfer as previously described.

**Aye: Teresa Hawk, Gerry Osborn, Dale Fornander, Ted DeTurk
Alan Garey - absent
Motion Carried**

9. Action on Sarpy County School District 77-0046, commonly known as Springfield Platteview Community Schools, (a Class III School) and Sarpy County School District 77-0001, commonly known as Bellevue Public Schools, (a Class III School)(Liberty).
(Case LT 183)

A motion was made by Ted DeTurk and seconded by Gerry Osborn to approve the land transfer as previously described.

**Aye: Teresa Hawk, Gerry Osborn, Dale Fornander, Ted DeTurk
Alan Garey - absent
Motion Carried**

10. Action on Boyd County: Plan for a Call for Election pursuant to 79-432 through 79-451, to reorganize the following schools by dissolving:
- Boyd County School District 08-0036-000, commonly known as Lynch Public Schools (a Class III School), and
 - Boyd County School District 08-0050-000 West Boyd Public Schools (a Class III School) and creating a new Class III school district.

A general discussion occurred amongst the committee members regarding language in the plan that members thought may need to be included or removed. Committee members asked legal counsel to draft language for a plan based upon their individual comments.

A motion to schedule a meeting later in January to further discuss this matter was made by Ted DeTurk and seconded by Gerry Osborn.

**Aye: Teresa Hawk, Gerry Osborn, Dale Fornander, Ted DeTurk
Alan Garey - absent
Motion Carried**

11. Public Comment: Tricia Hipke, Daniel Ohri, Jeremy Boettcher
12. Other Business
13. The meeting was adjourned at 2:48 p.m.

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STATE COMMITTEE FOR THE REORGANIZATION OF SCHOOL DISTRICTS March 14, 2017

Nebraska State Office Building, State Board Room,
301 Centennial Mall South, Lincoln, Nebraska 68509
9:30 am

1. Call to order (roll call).

Dale Fornander called the meeting to order at 9:30 a.m.

Roll Call of Committee Members:

**Ted DeTurk
Gerry Osborn
Alan Garey
Dale Fornander
Teresa Hawk**

Others Present:

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

2. Mr. Fornander announced that information regarding the Open Meetings Act is located on the back wall of the State Board Room.
3. Approval of Minutes from the January 10, 2017, meeting.

A motion was made by Gerry Osborn and seconded by Teresa Hawk to approve the minutes.

**Aye: Teresa Hawk, Ted DeTurk, Gerry Osborn, Alan Garey, Dale Fornander
Motion Carried**

4. Executive Session: Not needed.

5. 2nd Public Hearing for:

A. Boyd County: Plan for Reorganization pursuant to 79-432 through 79-451, to reorganize the following schools by dissolving:

- Boyd County School District 36, commonly known as Lynch Public Schools (a Class III School), and
- Boyd County School District 50 West Boyd Public Schools (a Class III School) and creating a new Class III school district.
(Case 271)

Kelley Baker – Lynch Public Schools, Attorney and John Recknor – Boyd County Public Committee, Attorney addressed the committee to commend them for help in finalizing details in the soon to be presented Board to Board Petition and asking the committee to disapprove the plan of reorganization calling for an election.

A motion to disapprove the Plan for the Call for Election was made by Gerry Osborn and seconded by Ted DeTurk.

**Aye: Alan Garey, Dale Fornander, Teresa Hawk, Ted DeTurk, Gerry Osborn
Motion Carried**

6. Public Hearing:

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

- Boyd County School District 36, commonly known as Lynch Public Schools (a Class III School), and
- Boyd County School District 50 West Boyd Public Schools (a Class III school) and creating a new Class III school district.

[Kelley Baker]

(Case 3000)

Proponents:

Kelley Baker – Lynch Public Schools, Attorney
John Recknor – Boyd County Public Committee, Attorney
Ted Hillman – Lynch Public Schools, Superintendent
Karen Haase – West Boyd Public Schools, Attorney

A motion to approve the Plan for the Board to Board petition was made by Gerry Osborn and seconded by Ted DeTurk.

Aye: Gerry Osborn, Alan Garey, Dale Fornander, Teresa Hawk, Ted DeTurk

Motion Carried

5. Other Business – Set an additional video conference meeting that will be no later than 30 days from March 14, 2017 to appoint School Board Members to the newly created Boyd County School District.
6. The meeting was adjourned at 9:59 a.m.

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STATE COMMITTEE FOR THE REORGANIZATION OF SCHOOL DISTRICTS April 11, 2017

Via video conference at the following sites:
Nebraska State Office Building, State Board Room 6th Floor, 301 Centennial Mall South, Lincoln, NE
Medicine Valley Schools, 303 Crook St, Curtis, NE
Creek Valley Public Schools, Distance Learning Room, 6th & Hayward, Chappell, NE
ESU 17, 207 N Main Street, Ainsworth, NE

9:30 a.m. CDT

1. Call to order (roll call).

Dale Fornander called the meeting to order at 9:37 a.m.

Roll Call of Committee Members:

**Ted DeTurk
Gerry Osborn
Alan Garey
Dale Fornander
Teresa Hawk**

Others Present:

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

2. Mr. Fornander announced that information regarding the Open Meetings Act is located on the back wall of the State Board Room and at each of the other locations listed above.
3. Approval of Minutes from the March 14, 2017 meeting.

A motion was made by Gerry Osborn and seconded by Ted DeTurk to approve the minutes.

Aye: Teresa Hawk, Ted DeTurk, Gerry Osborn, Alan Garey, Dale Fornander

Motion Carried

4. Boyd County: Appointment of Board Members for the newly created Boyd County School District No. 51. (Case 3000A)

A motion was made by Gerry Osborn and seconded by Teresa Hawk to approve the new board members as previously presented.

Aye: Teresa Hawk, Ted DeTurk, Gerry Osborn, Alan Garey, Dale Fornander

Motion Carried

5. The meeting was adjourned at 9:41 a.m.

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STATE COMMITTEE FOR THE REORGANIZATION OF SCHOOL DISTRICTS May 30, 2017

Via video conference at the following sites:
Nebraska State Office Building, State Board Room 6th Floor, 301 Centennial Mall South, Lincoln, NE
Medicine Valley Schools, 303 Crook St, Curtis, NE
Fornander, Inc., DBA Prince-Empson Insurance, 236 Vincent Ave, Chappell, NE
ESU 17, 207 N Main Street, Ainsworth, NE

10:00 a.m. CDT

1. Call to order (roll call).

Dale Fornander called the meeting to order at 10:02 a.m., CDT

Roll Call of Committee Members:

Ted DeTurk

Gerry Osborn

Alan Garey

Dale Fornander

Teresa Hawk (absent)

Others Present:

Brian Halstead, General Counsel, NDE

Micki Iverson, School Finance & Organization Services, NDE

Bryce Wilson, School Finance & Organization Services, NDE

2. Mr. Fornander announced that information regarding the Open Meetings Act is located on the back wall of the State Board Room and at each of the other locations listed above.
3. Approval of Minutes from the April 11, 2017, meeting.

A motion was made by Gerry Osborn and seconded by Alan Garey to approve the minutes.

Aye: Alan Garey, Gerry Osborn, Dale Fornander, Ted DeTurk

Teresa Hawk - absent

Motion Carried

4. Public Hearing:
 - A. Public Hearing Sarpy County: Pursuant to §79-4,117 and 79-4,129 R.R.S. regarding the transfer of parcels of land (Shadow Lake) between:
Sarpy County School District 46, commonly known as Springfield Platteview Community Schools, (a Class III School) and Sarpy County School District 27, commonly known as Papillion-LaVista Community Schools, (a Class III School) (Shadow Lake). (Case LT 184)

The Committee heard from Jim Gessford on the Land Transfer case.

5. Action on transfer of parcels of land (Shadow Lake) between:
Sarpy County School District 46, commonly known as Springfield Platteview Community Schools, (a Class III School) and Sarpy County School District 27, commonly known as Papillion-LaVista Community Schools, (a Class III School).
(Case LT 184)

A motion was made by Gerry Osborn and seconded by Ted DeTurk to approve the land transfer as previously described.

**Aye: Alan Garey, Gerry Osborn, Dale Fornander, Ted DeTurk
Teresa Hawk - absent
Motion Carried**

6. Other Business
7. The meeting was adjourned at 10:14 a.m., CDT.