Minutes of the
New Rockford-Sheyenne Public School District No. 2
Regular School Board Meeting
Monday, April 15, 2013 at 7:00 p.m.

Members present: Lisa Longnecker, Eric Myhre, Tori Schaefer, John Grann, John McKnight, Travis Benson, and Wanda Throlson. Others present: Jill Louters, Superintendent; Shirley Lindstrom, Elementary Principal; Assistant Principal, Staci Allmaras; and Janet Heskin, Business Manager.

President Longnecker called the meeting to order.

Approval of Agenda

*It was moved by Throlson and seconded by Myhre to approve the agenda with the addition of the gymnasium project and the deletion of the executive session. Motion carried unanimously.*

Approval of the Consent Agenda

*It was moved by McKnight and seconded by Throlson to approve the consent agenda. Motion carried unanimously.* The consent agenda consists of the minutes from the March 11, 2013 regular meeting, and the bills for the general fund of $59,994.19, the food service fund of $17,722.76, and the activity fund of $17,598.20.

Board General Comments

Eric Myhre reported that he helped chaperone the SNR baseball team trip to Minneapolis with 19 students.

John McKnight reported that he had an opportunity to read the essays for Mayor for a Day. Many of the essays mentioned the need for upgraded playground equipment in the school yard.

Principals’ Reports

Elementary Principal Lindstrom reported that she and Mrs. Allmaras had attended the SEEC principals meeting on Common Core Standards. Jennifer Glasheen, from SEEC, will be coming to work with our teachers about Common Core Standards. The elementary teachers are attending math and reading conferences. Due to the weather, the 6th grade field trip was postponed. The elementary academic challenge teams placed 2nd and 3rd out of 12 teams in Harvey and will be attending one here on April 30th and one in Maddock on May 6th. She referenced the AYP information in the board packet.

Assistant Principal Allmaras reported that Spring Fever week was a success. Students will be given Fight the Fever certificates from local businesses for a reward for doing their job. The teacher inservice last Wednesday focused on strengths and needs in our school and teacher and leadership roles. The projected student schedule for 13-14 was presented. She will be attending a PowerSchool workshop on Thursday to finalize the schedule. She thanked the board for the opportunity to work with the district.
Superintendent Report
Superintendent Louters reported on the hiring process for the open positions of high school principal, physical education, business education, and language arts/Spanish. The high school principal candidate will be here next Tuesday for a second interview. Todd Duchschere and Alyson Myhre have filed for the open school board positions. Committees will be formed for the summer for grading procedures, food service, and the gym project. The Sick Bank committee will be meeting to review a sick bank usage request. Mrs. Louters is in the process of checking the logo for trademarks that we would like to use in the gym.

Approval of Facility Plan
A Facility Plan was completed for the gymnasium project to receive approval of the project from the Department of Public Instruction. It was moved by Grann and seconded by Myhre to approve the facility plan for the gymnasium renovation project as presented and submit it to DPI for approval. Motion carried unanimously.

Gymnasium Project
Building and general fund balances and projections were reviewed. The components of the gymnasium renovation project were reviewed. It was moved by Throlson and seconded by Myhre to approve the gymnasium renovation project as presented and authorize Mrs. Louters to proceed with the necessary bidding and ordering after approval of the facility plan by DPI. Motion carried unanimously.

Second Reading of Policy Updates for 2013
It was moved by Throlson and seconded by McKnight to approve the second reading of revisions to Policy FGA and HBCC. Motion carried unanimously.

National FBLA Conference
Mrs. Fortney, FBLA advisor, is requesting financial assistance from the school to chaperone Lexie Weber to attend the FBLA National Leadership Conference in Anaheim, CA June 26-July 2, 2013. It was moved by Myhre and seconded by Throlson to approve travel expenses for Mrs. Fortney to chaperone the National FBLA trip. Motion carried unanimously.

Open Enrollment Forms
The Lesmann family has moved from the New Rockford School District to the Carrington School District and has completed open enrollment forms to finish the school year in the New Rockford-Sheyenne District. It was moved by Grann and seconded by Myhre to approve open enrollment forms for Natasha, Trisa, and Karlee Lesmann to attend school in New Rockford-Sheyenne District from the Carrington School District. Motion carried unanimously.

Personnel
It was moved by Myhre and seconded by Benson to approve issuing a contract to Amy Cudworth for a .5 Technology position for the 2013-14 year. Motion carried unanimously.

Preliminary Planning for 2013-14
Mrs. Lindstrom and Mrs. Allmaras presented schedules and staffing plans for the 2013-14 school year. Discussion was held on adding a VoAg position if an instructor could be found. Discussion was held on class sizes for elementary. Due to 31 students preregistered for Pre Kindergarten. It
was moved by Myhre and seconded by Benson to authorize a .5 FTE increase for PK as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Announcements
The next regular board meeting will be held on Monday, May 13, 2013 at 7:00 p.m.

Adjournment
The public meeting was adjourned at 10:10 p.m.

Janet Heskin                             Lisa Longnecker
Business Manager                        President