

**WEST HOLT PUBLIC SCHOOLS  
DISTRICT #239  
ATKINSON, NEBRASKA  
SCHOOL BOARD MINUTES  
Monday, November 9, 2015**

A regular meeting of the Board of Education of West Holt Public Schools, District #239, was held on Monday, November 9, 2015, in the Board Meeting Room. Meeting opened at 7:00 p.m. by President Jelinek. A complete copy of the Open Meetings Act was posted inside the meeting room, and a copy of all materials provided to the board was made available to the public in a folder.

Notice of the meeting was given in advance thereof by publication in the *Atkinson Graphic* on October 29, 2015, as shown by the Affidavit of Publication attached to these minutes. Notice of the meeting was simultaneously sent to all members and a copy of their acknowledgment and receipt of notice and agenda is attached to these minutes. Availability of the agenda was communicated in the advance notice as is the notice to the members of this meeting. All proceedings hereafter shown were taken while the convened meeting was opened to the attendance of the public. The agenda for the meeting is attached and incorporated into these minutes.

Roll call was taken with the following members present: Kelly Jelinek, Susan Judge, Mike Fredrick, Cathy Pacha, Brian Mlady, and Scott Gotschall. Also present were Paul Pistulka, Doug Gross, Michelle Laetsch, Laurie Lieswald, Steve Neptune, Chris Nemetz, Todd Hale, Ted Thiele, Randy Bilstein, Keith Kerkman, and Kooper Jelinek.

Moved by Mrs. Pacha, seconded by Mr. Mlady to approve the minutes of the October 13<sup>th</sup> & October 27<sup>th</sup>, 2015, meetings as printed. Roll call vote. All ayes. Motion carried.

Moved by Mr. Gotschall, seconded by Mrs. Judge to approve the General Fund bills in the amount of \$129,043.29. Roll call vote. All ayes. Motion carried.

Moved by Mr. Mlady, seconded by Mr. Gotschall to approve the Building Fund bills in the amount of \$180,856.10. Roll call vote. All ayes. Motion carried.

Students Dalton Clemens, Paige Janzing, Isaac Pistulka, and Abby Thiele were present to explain the recent Science Olympiad event they attended and the various experiment stations they participated in.

Visitors were recognized and any visitors not on the agenda wishing to address the board were invited to do so at this time.

Mr. Pistulka gave the junior/senior high principal's report in Mr. Young's absence to include first quarter failure report and attendance at recent parent/teacher conferences.

Mr. Gross gave the elementary principal/curriculum report on recent activities including NNNC Writing, NeSA-R to NeSA-E&LA Conference, Miles of Smiles program, Nebraska Paraeducator Conference, parent/teacher conferences, annual Reading Banquet, and NeSA Report for 2014-15.

Mr. Pistulka gave the Superintendent's report to include the following: finances/bills, Superintendent evaluation, construction progress/payment, future staffing issues, roof insurance, and a review of agenda action items.

Mr. Jelinek, board negotiations committee representative, gave an update of recent meetings held with the teacher committee.

Discussion items included Pepsi funds/donation for Washington DC trip, policy revision, and upcoming State School Board Convention.

Moved by Mr. Jelinek, seconded by Mr. Gotschall to approve West Holt High School to declare an 8-man football classification for the 2016 and 2017 football seasons. Roll call vote. All ayes. Motion carried.

Moved by Mr. Fredrick, seconded by Mrs. Pacha to recognize West Holt Education Association as the official representative of the West Holt Public School faculty for the purpose of board/faculty negotiations for the 2017-2018 school year. Roll call vote. All ayes. Motion carried.

The following were recognized for recent accomplishments:

Mr. Chris Nemetz and Mr. Randy Schroeder were awarded the “You Matter as a Teacher Award” from the University of Nebraska College of Engineering, nominated by current University students as someone who made a profound impact on them as a student and on their choice to enter into the engineering field;

Christa Wentworth was named to the local Believers and Achievers Award winners out of 442 nominees received by NSAA and U.S. Bank.

Moved by Mr. Jelinek, seconded by Mrs. Pacha to adjourn the meeting at 8:02 p.m. Roll call vote. All ayes. Motion carried.

The next regular meeting will be Monday, December 14, 2015, at 7:00 p.m.

**Mike Fredrick, Secretary**