

**ESU 6 Board Meeting Minutes
April 15th, 2021**

Eric Malina, Board President, called the regular meeting of the Board of Educational Service Unit No. 6 to order at 6:32pm on April 15th, 2021.

Board members present:

- ✓ Jan Myers
- ✓ Chuck Evans
- ✓ Carla Schwahn
- ✓ Sandy Blankenship
- ✓ Larry Starr
- ✓ Dale Kahla
- ✓ Eric Malina

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

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 newspapers in the unit area and the Lincoln Journal Star for publication.

**Item 5: Action Item: Consideration, review, and authorization of services for Strategic Planning based proposals received and presentations heard.
Strategic Planning Proposals presentations:**

- A. Cognia - Shannon Vogler, Nicole Reeves, Dr. Mark Quintana**
- B. NASB - Marcia Herring & Kori Stanosheck**
- C. NRCSA - Jack Moles**

Presentations were given on all three proposals. Discussion was held.

It was moved by Jan Myers and seconded by Dale Kahla to engage NRCSA to facilitate the ESU 6 Strategic Plan contingent on the requested personnel facilitating, Board member interviews, and cost stipulations. Motion carried 6-0-0-1.

Board Member	For	Against	Abstain	Absent
Chuck Evans				✓
Dale Kahla	✓			
Eric Malina	✓			
Larry Starr	✓			

Carla Schwahn	✓			
Sandy Blankenship	✓			
Jan Myers	✓			

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

It was moved by Dale Kahla and seconded by Jan Myers to amend the minutes from the March meeting to include Carla Schwahn’s name, and to approve the April bills and Financial Summary. Motion carried 6-0-0-1.

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

Item 10: Information Items -

Due to the length of the earlier presentations, written reports were submitted by the ESU 6 Directors and questions were entertained.

Dr. Skretta provided brief legislative updates and apprised the Board of the unanimous approval via core services ballot of the overall service plans for Technology and Professional Development and Instructional Materials.

Michele Rayburn gave information on upcoming student end-of-year ceremonies which will also be sent via email to Board members.

No additional verbal reports were given.

Item 11: Information Item: Review and updates on COVID office protocols

Current office COVID procedures were reviewed, and ESU 6 will maintain the current procedures and protocols. No action was necessary.

Item 12: Information Item: [Letter from Cognia about accreditation being awarded](#)

The official accreditation letter was referenced and the posted location of the accreditation certificate was provided. No action was necessary.

Item 13: Review, discuss, take all necessary action re: sunset of FFCRA leave provisions

It was moved by Dale Kahla and seconded by Larry Starr to extend the FFCRA leave provisions deadline for ESU 6 employees to September 30, 2021. Motion carried 6-0-0-1.

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

Item 14: AESA, NASB, NRCSA, and ESUCC Updates

Dr. Skretta provided updates on the listed organizations including the NASB-sponsored legislative Zoom luncheons focused on ESUs.

Item 15: Personnel

- A. Resignation - Marian Eicher, Student Services Executive Assistant, retirement effective June 30, 2021**
- B. Work agreement - Kandy Wade, Early Childhood Services Coordinator, 1.0 FTE**
- C. Work agreement - Kelly Rabenhorst, Early Childhood Services Coordinator, .8 FTE**

It was moved by Dale Kahla and seconded by Larry Starr to accept the resignation of Marian Eicher, and to approve the work agreements for Kandy Wade and Kelley Rabenhorst. Motion carried 6-0-0-1.

Board Member	For	Against	Abstain	Absent
Chuck Evans				✓
Dale Kahla	✓			

Eric Malina	✓			
Larry Starr	✓			
Carla Schwahn	✓			
Sandy Blankenship	✓			
Jan Myers	✓			

Item 16: Adjourn

Eric Malina, Board President, adjourned the regular meeting of ESU 6 Board of Directors at 8:51 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted,

Eric Malina, Board President

Sandy Blankenship, Board Secretary