

**ESU 6 Board Meeting Minutes  
December 6th, 2021**

Eric Malina, Board President, called the regular meeting of the Board of Educational Service Unit No. 6 to order at 5:08pm on November 15th, 2021.

**Board members present:**

- ✓ Jan Myers
- ✓ Chuck Evans
- x Carla Schwahn
- ✓ Sandy Blankenship
- ✓ Larry Starr (arrived at 5:09pm)
- ✓ Dale Kahla
- ✓ Eric Malina

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

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

It was moved by Sandy Blankenship and seconded by Jan Myers to approve the minutes from the November regular meeting, December bills and Financial Summary. Motion carried 6-O-O-1.

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

**Item 9: Information Items -**

- A. Dr. John Skretta, ESU 6 Administrator, submitted and reviewed his written report. Dr. Skretta highlighted the ALICAP safety visit, the AESA National Conference, and the Mental Health grant that ESU 6 has been awarded.

- B. Nichole Hall, Director of Human Resources, gave a verbal report. She highlighted an online career fair she participated in with Dr. Michele Rayburn for Speech Language Pathologists.
- C. April Kelley, Director of Professional Development, gave a verbal report on her team checking in with new teachers more frequently throughout the year which has been received very well.
- D. Dr. Michele Rayburn, Director of Student Services, expounded on previous reports and thanked HR Director Nichole Hall for participating with her in an online career fair wherein they described SLP career opportunities in ESUs.
- E. Jamen Hall, Director of Technology, gave a verbal report. He highlighted his team providing reliable internet to the Geneva modular building, and that ALLO is moving further into our service area for provision of internet.

**Item 10:** Dr. Skretta reviewed advance information from The Nebraska Department of Transportation on a planned project to reconstruct just over a mile of Highway 6 in Milford in 2023. This will require some detouring during project phases impacting ESU 6 and SCC access and parking. No action was taken as this is an information item only.

**Item 11: Granting Administrator Approval to Pay Bills between December 6th & December 17th**

It was moved by Jan Myers and seconded by Larry Starr to grant the Administrator approval to pay any bills received between December 6th and December 17th that would result in a fee or disruption of service if not paid prior to the January meeting. 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 12: Negotiated Settlement with the ESU No 6 Education Association for the 2022-23 school year**

It was moved by the Negotiations Committee to approve the agreement for a 4.0% total package increase as presented. Motion carried 6-0-0-1.

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

**Item 13: AESA, NASB, NRCSA, and ESUCC Updates**

Updates were provided on the listed organizations via their published member updates. Jan Myers and Chuck Evans discussed their recent AESA National Conference attendance.

**Item 14: Personnel**

- A. Increase FTE for Dianne Coffin, Early Childhood Special Educator, from .8 FTE to .9 FTE effective January 1, 2022

It was moved by Jan Myers and seconded by Sandy Blankenship to approve the increased FTE for Dianne Coffin, Early Childhood Special Educator, from .8 FTE to .9 FTE. 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 18: Adjourn**

Eric Malina, Board President, adjourned the regular meeting of ESU 6 Board of Directors at 5:47 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted,

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Eric Malina, Board President

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Sandy Blankenship, Board Secretary

*\*The next regular meeting of the ESU 6 Board of Directors will occur on Thursday, January 13, 2022 at 6:00pm at ESU 6 in Milford, NE.*