

**ESU 6 Board Meeting Minutes  
November 19th, 2019**

Dale Kahla, Board President, called the regular meeting of the Board of Educational Service Unit No. 6 to order at 6:06pm on November 19th, 2019.

**Board members present:**

- ✓ Jan Myers
- ✓ Chuck Evans
- ☒ Bruce Dickinson
- ✓ Sandy Blankenship
- ✓ Larry Starr
- ✓ Dale Kahla
- ✓ Eric Malina

ESU #6 Staff Present: Dr. John Skretta, Dr. Toby Boss, Nichole Hall, Vicki Taylor, Jamen Hall, Sydney Bristol

Guest Present: Chuck Brown, Communications Director, OpenSky Policy Institute

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 on October 23rd, 2019 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 Jan Myers and seconded by Sandy Blankenship to approve the minutes from the October regular meeting, October bills and Financial Summary. Motion carried 6-0-0-1.

| Board Member      | For | Against | Abstain | Absent |
|-------------------|-----|---------|---------|--------|
| Chuck Evans       | ✓   |         |         |        |
| Dale Kahla        | ✓   |         |         |        |
| Eric Malina       | ✓   |         |         |        |
| Larry Starr       | ✓   |         |         |        |
| Bruce Dickinson   |     |         |         | ☒      |
| Sandy Blankenship | ✓   |         |         |        |

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| Jan Myers | ✓ |  |  |  |
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**Item 9: Information Items -**

- A. Dr. John Skretta, ESU 6 Administrator, provided a written report.
- B. Upcoming Dates and Events
- C. Legislative Updates
- D. Special Reports -
  - i. Dr. Skretta invited guest presenter, Chuck Brown from OpenSky Policy Institute, to speak at the Board meeting.
  - ii. Personnel Update

It was moved by Jan Myers and seconded by Sandy Blankenship to recess the regular meeting and enter closed session to prevent needless injury to the reputation of a person at 6:58pm. Motion carried 6-0-0-1.

| Board Member      | For | Against | Abstain | Absent |
|-------------------|-----|---------|---------|--------|
| Chuck Evans       | ✓   |         |         |        |
| Dale Kahla        | ✓   |         |         |        |
| Eric Malina       | ✓   |         |         |        |
| Larry Starr       | ✓   |         |         |        |
| Bruce Dickinson   |     |         |         | ☒      |
| Sandy Blankenship | ✓   |         |         |        |
| Jan Myers         | ✓   |         |         |        |

It was moved by Eric Malina and seconded by Chuck Evans to leave the closed session and reconvene the regular meeting at 7:30pm. Motion carried 6-0-0-1.

| Board Member    | For | Against | Abstain | Absent |
|-----------------|-----|---------|---------|--------|
| Chuck Evans     | ✓   |         |         |        |
| Dale Kahla      | ✓   |         |         |        |
| Eric Malina     | ✓   |         |         |        |
| Larry Starr     | ✓   |         |         |        |
| Bruce Dickinson |     |         |         | ☒      |

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| Sandy Blankenship | ✓ |  |  |  |
| Jan Myers         | ✓ |  |  |  |

**Item 10: Human Resources Report**

A. Nichole Hall, Director of Human Resources, submitted a written report.

**Item 11: Professional Development Report**

A. Dr. Toby Boss, Director of Professional Development, submitted a written report.

**Item 12: Student Services Report**

A. Mary Phillips, Director of Student Services, submitted a written report.

**Item 13: Technology Report**

A. Jamen Hall, Director of Technology, submitted a written report.

**Item 14: Action Items/Discussion**

A. Motion needed to change the December Board meeting start time  
 It was moved by Chuck Evans and seconded by Jan Myers to change the time of the December Board meeting to 4:30pm. Motion carried 6-0-0-1.

| Board Member      | For | Against | Abstain | Absent |
|-------------------|-----|---------|---------|--------|
| Chuck Evans       | ✓   |         |         |        |
| Dale Kahla        | ✓   |         |         |        |
| Eric Malina       | ✓   |         |         |        |
| Larry Starr       | ✓   |         |         |        |
| Bruce Dickinson   |     |         |         | ☒      |
| Sandy Blankenship | ✓   |         |         |        |
| Jan Myers         | ✓   |         |         |        |

**B. Personnel**

i. Approve work agreement for Matthew Martin, Educational Technology Specialist, 1.0 FTE  
 It was moved by Jan Myers and seconded by Sandy Blankenship to approve the work agreement for Matthew Martin, Educational Technology Specialist, 1.0 FTE. Motion carried 6-0-0-1.

| Board Member | For | Against | Abstain | Absent |
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| Chuck Evans       | ✓ |  |  |   |
| Dale Kahla        | ✓ |  |  |   |
| Eric Malina       | ✓ |  |  |   |
| Larry Starr       | ✓ |  |  |   |
| Bruce Dickinson   |   |  |  | ☒ |
| Sandy Blankenship | ✓ |  |  |   |
| Jan Myers         | ✓ |  |  |   |

ii. Approve work agreement for Jonah Peterson, Educational Technology Specialist, 1.0 FTE

It was moved by Jan Myers and seconded by Larry Starr to approve the work agreement for Jonah Peterson, Educational Technology Specialist, 1.0 FTE. Motion carried 6-0-0-1.

| Board Member      | For | Against | Abstain | Absent |
|-------------------|-----|---------|---------|--------|
| Chuck Evans       | ✓   |         |         |        |
| Dale Kahla        | ✓   |         |         |        |
| Eric Malina       | ✓   |         |         |        |
| Larry Starr       | ✓   |         |         |        |
| Bruce Dickinson   |     |         |         | ☒      |
| Sandy Blankenship | ✓   |         |         |        |
| Jan Myers         | ✓   |         |         |        |

**15: Third Reading & Adoption of Section 1 of ESU Policies: Unit Organization**

It was moved by Eric Malina and seconded by Jan Myers to adopt Section 1 of ESU Policies: Unit Organization. Motion carried 6-0-0-1.

| Board Member | For | Against | Abstain | Absent |
|--------------|-----|---------|---------|--------|
| Chuck Evans  | ✓   |         |         |        |
| Dale Kahla   | ✓   |         |         |        |
| Eric Malina  | ✓   |         |         |        |

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| Larry Starr       | ✓ |  |  |   |
| Bruce Dickinson   |   |  |  | ☒ |
| Sandy Blankenship | ✓ |  |  |   |
| Jan Myers         | ✓ |  |  |   |

**16: Salary Committee Update**

Discussion was held, but no action was taken at this time.

**17: AESA, NASB, NRCSA, and ESUCC Updates**

Dr. Skretta provided updates on the listed organizations.

**19: Adjourn**

Dale Kahla, Board President, adjourned the regular meeting of ESU 6 Board of Directors at 7:47 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted,

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Dale Kahla, Board President

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Jan Myers, Board Secretary