

November 14, 2011

The Crete Board of Education met on November 14, 2011 at 6:00 p.m. at the Administration Building at 920 Linden Ave. for their regular meeting. Board members present were Matt Hanson, Laura Ebke, Thad Sears, Dennis Isernhagen, Tom King, and Bill Lorenz. Also present were Superintendent Kyle McGowan, Principals Steve Teget, Tim Conway, and Bret Schroder, Assistant Principals Diane Bruha and Jim Moore, Curriculum Director Valorie Foy, Business Manager Sandra Rosenboom, and interested members of the community.

The meeting, having been duly preceded by advance notice and conducted in accordance with the posted open meetings law, was called to order by President Hanson at 6:07 p.m.

Motion #127-11 Laura Ebke moved to approve the agenda. Thad Sears seconded the motion. On roll call: Voting Aye: Ebke, Sears, Hanson, Lorenz, King, Isernhagen. Voting Nay: None. Motion carried: 6-0.

Motion #128-11 Laura Ebke moved to approve the following consent items--minutes of the October meeting, General Fund Claims in the amount of \$191,606.28, Depreciation Fund claims in the amount of \$5,890.73, Employee Benefits claims in the amount of \$222.50, and approve the monthly financial reports. Dennis Isernhagen seconded the motion. On roll call: Voting Aye: Ebke, Sears, Hanson, Lorenz, King, Isernhagen. Voting Nay: None. Motion carried: 6-0.

Kyle McGowan introduced Ellen Miller and Danielle Suhr, directors of the elementary and middle school afterschool programs. Both programs operate for an hour before school and from 3:15 to 6:00 p.m. after school. The elementary CCLC serves 129 students and the middle school Cardinal Zone serves 60-120 students each day. They shared information about the activities offered in the programs. Various community agencies also participate by offering various special programs for the students. Mr. McGowan reported on the road construction by the Iris Street entrance. The road is nearing completion. Members going to the Nebraska School Boards Convention discussed travel arrangements. Jim Moore announced plans for the state championship football game in which Crete plays Elkhorn. Two students also were chosen for the All-State Honor Band. Steve Teget reported on the Veterans Day Canteen. Tim Conway reported on the high school Veterans' Day speaker. The PLAN test was given last week at the high school. Bret Schroder reported 92% of parents attended parent-teacher conferences. On Grandparents/Special Friends Day 205 people visited the elementary school. Valorie Foy reported that students have and will be doing state writing practice tests. Diane Bruha reported on a visit from the state department on the district's special ed program. She also reported that the preschool teachers are working on verbal vocabulary to get students ready for kindergarten. Sandy Rosenboom presented each board member with a copy of the annual audit for the 2010-2011 year. They will review it and a discussion will be held at the December meeting.

Steve Teget and Jim Moore presented information on the participation in fall activities. 65.9% of the high school students participated in NSAA sports or activities. Last year 60% of students participated.

