

**Aurora Board of Education  
Minutes of the February 13, 2006, Meeting**

Regular Meeting of the Board  
Superintendent's Conference Room  
5:00 p.m.

PRESENT:  
Stephanie Penner  
Kirk Penner  
Pat Shaw  
Jay Oswald  
Clint Paisley  
Julie Wasem

ABSENT:

Clint Paisley called to order the regularly scheduled February 2006, meeting of the Aurora Board of Education at 5:00 p.m.

Board Treasurer, Kirk Penner, reported \$252,431.80 was received for the General Fund and \$15,974.37 for the Special Building Fund.

Motion by Shaw, seconded by Oswald to approve the consent agenda. Roll call vote: Oswald, Wasem, Shaw, Penner, Shaw, Kirk Penner, Paisley voting aye.

A brief discussion occurred relative to the bond issue which will be voted on Tuesday, February 14, 2006. A special meeting of the Board will occur on Tuesday, February 21, 2006, to discuss the results of the bond issue and other items related to construction in the event the bond issue passes.

President Paisley provided committee assignments for Board members for 2006.

Superintendent Ramaekers discussed bids for the Quality Bonds. The bids will be separated into two different bidding documents. The first set will be for the doors and hardware and the second for the restrooms to be remodeled in the High School and Middle School. The bid documents will be available by the end of the week. Bid opening is set for early March.

Mini-grants for the 2005-2006 school year were discussed. The administration recommended to the Board that the mini-grants be handled differently than in past years. Rather than awarding three separate \$5,000 mini-grants, it was recommended the mini-grants be divided evenly among the five administrators to be used for new and innovative projects in their building or department. The Board agreed to see how this new method of use for the mini-grants would work for one year.

Motion by Penner, seconded by Oswald to accept the resignation with regrets for Roberta Rath. Roll call vote: Wasem, Penner, Shaw, Kirk Penner, Oswald, Paisley voting aye.

Motion by Wasem, seconded by Kirk Penner to recognize the Aurora Education Association to be the exclusive bargaining agent for the teachers of the Aurora Public Schools. Roll call vote: Penner, Shaw, Kirk Penner, Oswald, Wasem, Paisley voting aye.

Superintendent Ramaekers provided a list of legislative bills and discussed the affect these bills, if passed by the Unicameral, could have on the Aurora Public Schools.

The discussion of requisitions for the 2006-2007 school year was tabled until the special meeting scheduled for Tuesday, February 21<sup>st</sup>.

The principals gave their monthly report.

Board members were reminded to register for the annual Nebraska Rural Community Schools Association spring conference in Kearney on March 21 and 22.

Motion by Oswald, seconded by Penner to adjourn. All voting aye.

Meeting adjourned at 6:00p.m.

Respectfully Submitted:  
Julie Wasem  
Aurora Board of Education Secretary