The Board of Education of the School District of Papillion La Vista, in the County of Sarpy, in the State of Nebraska, met in open and public session at 6:00 p.m., Monday, February 22, 2021. The meeting was held at the Papillion La Vista Community Schools Administration Office, 420 South Washington Street, Papillion, Nebraska.

Notice of the meeting was provided in advance by publication in the Papillion Times, February 17, 2021. Notice of the meeting was simultaneously given to all members of the Board of Education. Their acknowledgment of receipt of the agenda is maintained at the Papillion La Vista Community Schools Administration Office. The proceedings, hereafter shown, were taken while the convened meeting was open to the attendance of the public.

Call to Order
Board President Brian Lodes called the meeting to order and publicly stated a copy of the Nebraska Open Meetings Law is posted at the entrance to the Board Room. Mr. Lodes led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll call was taken. All board members were present: Mr. Marcus Madler, Dr. Fred Tafoya, Ms. Valerie Fisher, Mr. Brian Lodes, Ms. SuAnn Witt, and Mr. Skip Bailey. There were no comments from the Board or audience.

Communication
There were no comments regarding items not on the agenda.

Military Liaison Advisor
Colonel Alan Dayton, the Commander of the 55th Wing, Offutt Air Force Base will share monthly base updates, challenges, and career opportunities that occur at Offutt. Colonel Dayton reported on three base points of interest to our Board. 1. COVID19, the base is currently reporting a low point with numbers and are in health protection Bravo. The base gates have been opened back up and gathering sizes have increased to 25. Staff have been receiving the Moderna vaccine. 2. Since the March 2019 flood on the base they are in the process of rebuilding 147 facilities. This summer the demolition will begin first with rebuilding the flood plain floor and then the construction of the buildings that were lost. 3. The base runway. All planes are being moved to Lincoln for the next 18 months. The project is $144 million to completely replace the Air Forces oldest runway at 70 years.

Superintendent’s Report
Ms. Shureen Seery reported on behalf of Dr. Rikli on the highlights and activities he has attended this past month. We continue to monitor the COVID infection numbers. The District will continue to watch the Sarpy/Cass County Health Department Risk dial for up to date COVID information. The vaccine has been given to our District nurses and counselors. During the weekly call with the Health Department we have reason to believe that our staff may receive vaccines in March.

Parent teacher conferences are happening throughout the District with some already completed. The Liaison Lunches that were scheduled for the month of March will be postponed at this time. Dr. Rikli will consult with
board members to see if we will reschedule this spring. Plans are being reviewed for upcoming events such as Prom, Honor Nights, and Commencement.

The Board and Administration will continue to monitor the school cancellations. Each school year there are three days built into the school calendar for snow days. At this time, we have used all three days of our allocation.

Congratulations was directed to the new Papillion-La Vista Schools Foundation Executive Director, Mr. Lee Denker. Mr. Denker will take the seat March 8.

Board Comments
Dr. Tafoya attend a TeamMates Zoom meeting on February 16. He also attended a Wellness Committee meeting on February 18.

Committee Reports:

- Building & Grounds & Finance: Dr. Tafoya reported the committee had not met.
- HR & Student Services Committee: Ms. Witt reported the committee had not met.
- Curriculum and Instruction Committee: Ms. Fisher reported the committee had not met.

Action Items
A motion was made by Ms. Witt and seconded by Dr. Tafoya to approve the Action by Consent Items: The meeting agenda, finance, out of state travel and personnel items as presented. There were no comments from the Board or audience. Roll call vote was taken. Ayes: Tafoya, Fisher, Lodes, Witt, Bailey, and Madler. Nays: None. The motion carried.

A motion was made by Ms. Fisher and seconded by Mr. Madler to approve the Board meeting minutes of February 8, 2021. There were no comments from the Board or audience. Roll call vote was taken. Ayes: Fisher, Lodes, Witt, Bailey, Madler, and Tafoya. Nays: None. The motion carried.

A motion was made by Mr. Bailey and seconded by Dr. Tafoya to (1) approve the lump sum bid and authorizes and approves the construction contract with Construct Inc for the low bid amount of One Million, One Hundred Seventy-Seven Thousand dollars ($1,177,000) for the Papillion La Vista High School Playing Field + Press Box/Concession Building project, and (2) delegates authority to and authorizes, approves and directs the President of the Board of Education, Superintendent of Schools, Assistant Superintendent of Business Services or a designee for the school district to sign, execute and deliver such construction contract, sign and approve any change orders, retain necessary professionals for assistance, pay the contract price, change order increases, and expenses related to the construction project and site preparation work and take all other action necessary to complete any requirements or obligations under the construction project and contract. Ms. Fisher, Mr. Lodes, and Dr. Tafoya all commented on their appreciation of these projects being completed at this time. There were no comments from the audience. Roll call vote was taken. Ayes: Lodes, Witt, Bailey, Madler, Tafoya, and Fisher. Nays: None. The motion carried.

A motion was made by Ms. Witt and seconded by Ms. Fisher to acknowledge the review of Series 2000 Board Policies. There were no comments from the Board or audience. Roll call vote was taken. Ayes: Witt, Bailey, Madler, Tafoya, Fisher, and Lodes. Nays: None. The motion carried.
Mr. Jeff Spilker, Principal at PLSHS, and Ms. Jessica Prusha, Assistant Principal, shared the Advanced Program (AP) goals for PLSHS. National Math and Science Initiative (NMSI) is a two-year grant that was received by PLSHS. The purpose of the grant is to expand the AP culture and to make AP classes more accessible to all students at PLSHS. The grant will provide support to students and also provide online curricular resources and content-specific training to teachers and mentors. The grant will also provide financial support with the AP exam costs. $23,000 from the grant was provided to support AP classroom materials for the AP teachers. The goal is to increase the demographics of students in AP courses, increase AP numbers, and increase AP classes offered at PLSHS. Once the grant is complete PLSHS would like to partnership the NMSI model to business partners in the community to continue development of the program.

Dr. Kati Settles, Assistant Superintendent of Human Resources, provided an update on staff during the COVID pandemic. Dr. Settles shared that for the second semester the elementary has added nine sections back to in person teaching and secondary has added 64 sections compared to 60 the first semester. During this time the District has limited absences: professional leave, Toolboxes, and unpaid leave. The District has extended the Families First Coronavirus Act (FFCRA) which expired December 31 to the new Extended Emergency Sick Leave (EESL). The EESL was built around the FFCRA model and helps staff with COVID leave time, which helps our schools to stay open. The week of March 1 vaccines will be given to our staff beginning with our Tier 1. Tier 1 qualifies as staff that have direct contact with students. Tier 2 are staff that don’t have direct contact with students. Both Tiers are directed by age. The District’s substitute teachers and student teachers will also be included on the employee list for vaccinations.

Board President Lodes reviewed the future board calendar. Board President Lodes adjourned the meeting at 7:18p.m.

Valerie Fisher, Secretary
Papillion La Vista Community School District
Board of Education