The monthly board meeting of the Oakland-Craig Board of Education was held on February 14, 2005 in the board meeting room. Administrators present were Supt. Jones and Mike Apple. Board Members present were: Don Wallace, Audrey Unwin, Don Wolf, Jerry Sieck, Scott Lindstrom, Kevin Anderson and Dan Enstrom. Elementary Principal Mark Ferg and board members Jeff Nelson and Diana Kruse were absent and attending the District Girls Basketball Tournament. Roger Bray was a visitor.

All members present acknowledged receipt of copies of the meeting notice. President Sieck called the meeting to order at 8:05 p.m.

A motion was made by Don Wolf to accept the minutes of the January monthly meeting. The motion was seconded by Don Wallace. On roll call vote the following voted aye: Scott Lindstrom, Don Wolf, Kevin Anderson, Don Wallace, Dan Enstrom, and Jerry Sieck Audrey Unwin-Abstained. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Scott Lindstrom, seconded by Don Wolf to allow the warrants to be drawn on the treasurer in payment of General Fund bills submitted on the attached sheet. On roll call vote the following voted aye: Don Wallace, Audrey Unwin,
Don Wolf, Scott Lindstrom, Kevin Anderson, Dan Enstrom and Jerry Sieck. Motion carried.

The order of the agenda was approved by a motion from Dan Enstrom, seconded by Don Wallace. On roll call vote the following voted aye: Don Wallace, Audrey Unwin, Don Wolf, Scott Lindstrom, Kevin Anderson, Dan Enstrom and Jerry Sieck
Motion carried.

During the Standing Committee reports, Lindstrom reported to the board that the Negotiations Committee met with Administrators concerning contracts and salary packages. The board will meet in Executive Session to further discuss the subject and offering of contracts.

Dan Enstrom presented a first draft of an evaluation form to be used by the board members when making the annual Superintendent Evaluation. Discussion followed.

A copy of the 2005-2006 school year calendar was discussed. A motion was made by Don Wolf, seconded by Audrey Unwin to approve the calendar as presented. On roll call vote the following voted aye: Don Wallace, Audrey Unwin, Don Wolf, Scott Lindstrom, Kevin Anderson, Dan Enstrom and Jerry Sieck Motion carried.

Supt Jones reported that the administrative team discussed beginning the school day earlier, other than the current 8:30 start time. He asked for the board's input in the subject. The possibility of an earlier start time will be discussed more at the March meeting.

Supt Jones explained the on-going process of School Improvement and review of the curriculum. A copy of the curriculum cycle was provided. During this time Diana Kruse, Jeff Nelson and Mark Ferg arrived at the meeting. Mike Apple and Mark Ferg explained how various test scores are evaluated. A team consisting of teachers and administrators evaluate the data and identify areas of concern. Goals are then formulated to address areas for improvement. Improving math scores and vocabulary have been targeted for attention. The elementary and secondary math teachers have been working together to increase scores within their teaching area. Vocabulary appeared as a possible weakness on the test scores. The School Improvement committee has suggested that all areas of the curriculum incorporate vocabulary skills, rather than only addressing the subject in the Language Arts curriculum. It was also reported that a survey was mailed to all parents of students in Special Education classes. The survey is part of the No Child Left Behind program.

Supt Jones provided information concerning an Interlocal agreement referred to as Nebraska Joint Utilities Management Program. Participation in the Nebraska Association of School Board's sponsored program allows two or more public agencies to enter into arrangements that provide lower Natural Gas rates. A motion was made by Kevin Anderson and seconded by Don Wolf to approve the agreement. On roll call vote the following voted aye: Don Wallace, Audrey Unwin, Jeff Nelson, Don Wolf,
Diana Kruse, Scott Lindstrom, Kevin Anderson, Dan Enstrom and Jerry Sieck. Motion carried.

A letter from Debbie Rosenboom was provided for each member, requesting the use of the Gymnasium the first weekend of June to hold her annual dance recital. A motion was made by Kevin Anderson, seconded by Don Wallace to allow the request, at the cost of $100.00. On roll call vote the following voted aye: Don Wallace, Audrey Unwin, Jeff Nelson, Don Wolf, Diana Kruse, Scott Lindstrom, Kevin Anderson, Dan Enstrom and Jerry Sieck. Motion carried.

Mike Apple's report included upcoming dates for District Speech held March 1st at North bend; and State Speech on March 16th. Second Semester parent-teacher conferences are scheduled for March 13 and 14. A Band Concert and the Waffle man fundraiser is also scheduled for March 14. The Jr'-Sr high "Pops" concert is scheduled for March 7th. On January 28th the Student Council worked with the Sioux land blood bank. Sioux land was very complementary for the 65 units of blood that were collected. Another project that the Student Council will be providing is a presentation by R-5 covering Drugs and Alcohol. The Student Council will run the concessions stand during the Boys C-2 Basketball games hosted at our facilities, with the proceeds used for funding of this presentation. Two half days have been built into the calendar in February and March for Math and Science In-services. Teachers have

been updating inventories for Insurance purposes.

Mark Ferg reported the State Writing tests are being administered and sent in for scoring. Several illness have been experienced. The cookie dough fundraiser has realized a profit of approximately $8,400. Mr. Ferg invited the board members to his building during board visitation week.

Supt Jones' report included Building and Grounds issues that include replacement of coils and two large circulating pumps that need to be replaced. One pump has been replaced and another pump has been sent in to be re-built and if possible, a second one will be sent in for a spare pump. The other issue that will be expensive is the need to replace the panel that supplies electrical service to the elementary building. Parts for the current panel are no longer available, and if replacements parts are necessary, it would result in having to shut down the building. An estimate of replacing the panel could be as high as $25,000. The current pneumatics heating and cooling system is also in need of an update to an electronic system. Several Legislative issues were reported that are being considered. Board members were asked to indicate whether they would be attending the NRCSA convention.

Dr. Jones also reported that we have been hosting several athletic competitions, including the Oakland-Craig Wrestling Invite, the Conference Wrestling Tournament and the District Wrestling Tournament. Many compliments were received concerning the organization and the facilities. It was mentioned that many capable volunteers helped to make the events run smoothly.

On a negative note, several calls have been received concerning unsportsmanlike conduct of fans, regarding officials, coaches and students. The administrators stressed that good sportsmanship is encouraged among students, however when fans act unfavorable it reflects on the entire community. The administrators have discussed options that will be carried out if the actions continue, including asking the person to leave the premises.

Jeff Nelson asked to publicly recognize the custodial staff for the job "well done" and the appearance of the facilities when hosting the large attendance of people during the wrestling tournaments recently hosted at Oakland-Craig. He mentioned the restrooms were always clean, along with all the other areas during the event.

Jerry Sieck reported the Legislative Relations Conference will be held February 27 and 28. Anyone interested in attending the conference should let him know their intentions.

Scott Lindstrom reported he had visited the classrooms during the school day. He voiced his concerns about the current computer inventory and his input that the board and administration needed to find funding to update computers and the operating system to run programs.

A motion was made by Don Wallace, seconded by Jeff Nelson to go into executive session at 9:35. On roll call vote the following voted aye: Don Wallace, Audrey Unwin, Jeff Nelson, Don Wolf, Jerry Sieck, Diana Kruse, Scott Lindstrom, Kevin Anderson, Dan Enstrom. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Don Wolf, seconded by Audrey Unwin to resume regular session at 11:15 p.m. On roll call vote the following voted aye: Don Wallace, Audrey Unwin, Jeff Nelson, Don Wolf, Jerry Sieck, Diana Kruse, Scott Lindstrom, Kevin Anderson, Dan Enstrom. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Scott Lindstrom, seconded by Don Wolf to adjust 2004-2005 contracts and to offer 2005-2006 contracts to the three administrators. On roll call vote the following voted aye: Don Wallace, Audrey Unwin, Jeff Nelson, Don Wolf, Jerry Sieck, Diana Kruse, Scott Lindstrom, Kevin Anderson, Dan Enstrom. Motion carried.

On a motion by Scott Lindstrom, seconded by Don Wolf, the meeting adjourned at 11:20 p.m. with all members present voting aye. The next regular meeting will be held March 14, 2005.

Secretary,

Debbie Krutilek