

USD 237 Board of Education Regular Meeting
Board Minutes for Monday June 12, 2023
216 S. Jefferson, Smith Center, KS 66967
Smith Center Board of Education Meeting Room

AMENDED BUDGET MEETING

ITEM 1. CALL TO ORDER

Vice President Jessica Weltmer called the meeting to order.

6:45 PM

Present for the call to order Vice President Jessica Weltmer, Bob Dietz, Marty Hanson, Libby McDonald, Sara Pruden and Steve Overmiller. Dustin McEwen, Superintendent, Roberta Reinking, Board Clerk, Michelle Stamm, SCE Principal and Greg Koelsch, SCHS Principal.

ITEM 2. PUBLIC FORUM

Nothing tonight

ITEM 3. AMENDED BUDGET HEARING

Mr. McEwen went over the figures that lead us to republish, at this time we don't have the Final Legal Max, but Mr. McEwen was able to pull up what looked like we might receive approximately \$50,000. Sara Pruden made a motion to adopt the 2022-2023 Amended Budget, based on the republished Budget 2022-2023 School year. Bob Dietz seconded the motion. The motion was approved by a 6-0 vote.

6:48 PM

ITEM 4. ADJOURN

Bob Dietz made a motion to adjourn the Amended Budget meeting, Steve Overmiller seconded the motion. The motion was approved by a 6-0 vote.

6:49 PM

REGULAR MEETING

ITEM 1. CALL TO ORDER

Theron Haresnape arrived at the meeting.

6:56 PM

President Theron Haresnape called the meeting to order.

7:00 PM

Present for the call to order President Theron Haresnape, Jessica Weltmer, Bob Dietz, Marty Hanson, Libby McDonald, Sara Pruden and Steve Overmiller. Dustin McEwen, Superintendent, Roberta

Reinking, Board Clerk, Michelle Stamm, SCE Principal and Greg Koelsch, SCHS Principal. Also present for the call to order were Steven & Samantha Russell & Travis Elliott.

ITEM 2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA – ADD/DELETE

Bob Dietz made a motion to approve the Agenda as presented, Libby McDonald seconded the motion. The motion was approved by a 7-0 vote. **7:01 PM**

Kelli Schmidt arrived at the meeting. **7:02 PM**

ITEM 3. APPROVAL OF CONSENSUS ITEMS

- a. May 10, 2023 Regular Board Meeting Minutes
- b. June 12, 2023 Statements
- c. End of Year Authority
- d. Approval of Profession Development Council (PDC) Points
- e. Approval of Request for Personal Leave as Per Negotiated Agreement – Article Four: Leaves, Section B: Family and Medical Leave: D. Personal Leave – Bree Wilson
- f. Approval of Request for Personal Leave as Per Negotiated Agreement – Article Four: Leaves, Section B: Family and Medical Leave: D. Personal Leave – Amy Roth
- g. Approval of Resignation from Lescinda Shaffer from Food Service
- h. Approval of Resignation from Jennifer Corbett From Parents as Teachers
- i. Approval of Donation from Smith County Community Foundation – LifeVac Grant
- j. Approval of Donation from The Rathert Foundation for Chairs for Science Department
- k. Approval of Donation from Booz Charitable Trust for New Chairs
- l. Approval of Donation from The Thomas Charitable Trust for New Tables for the Math Room
- m. Approval of Donation from Lull Family Charitable Trust for Art & Music Programs
- n. Approval of Donation of Flag for Elementary Gym from Dale Franklin

ITEM 4. PUBLIC FORUM

Nothing tonight

ITEM 5. APPROVAL FOR AG SHOP TO SELL THE OLDER WELDER

Monica Wagner received a Perkins Grant to purchase a new welder, she no longer had a need for the older one in the shop. She was given an estimated value of \$1,800-\$2,200. It was recommended to list the welder on Purple Wave.

Steve Overmiller made a motion to approved listing the welder on Purple Wave, Sara Pruden seconded the motion. The motion was approved by a 7-0 vote. **7:05 PM**

Shelly Strine, Nick Linn, Teri Overmiller arrived at the meeting.

ITEM 6. APPROVAL FOR BRANDON HRABE USE OF SUBURBAN TO TAKE JR. HI BASKETBALL GIRLS TO HASTINGS JUNE 12

Brandon Hrabec arrived at the bus barn to pick up a suburban to travel to Hastings, no one was around so he used his personal vehicle.

Marty Hanson made a motion to approved paying Brandon mileage to take the basketball team to Hastings, Bob Dietz seconded the motion. The motion was approved by a 7-0 vote. **7:07 PM**

ITEM 7. APPROVAL FOR ALEX HOBELMANN USE OF 2 SUBURBANS TO TAKE BOYS BASKETBALL TEAM TO TOURNAMENT IN BELLEVILLE ON JUNE 24-25

Sara Pruden made a motion to approve the use of suburban's for Alex Hobelmann to travel 2 days to Belleville for Basketball, Jessica Weltmer seconded the motion. The motion was approved by a 7-0 vote. **7:08 PM**

ITEM 8. APPROVAL OF AMPLIFY CKLA READING CURRICULUM

Mr. McEwen stated that there had been concerns about the reading program at the Elementary School. He has visited with Mrs. Stamm and SCE have researched different options. The CKLA Reading Curriculum would allow them to add the 7-8 grades to the program. Mr. McEwen submitted the request for ESSER funds, that request has moved to the task force so he feels they could have an answer by Wednesday, the district would need to come up with around \$25,000. Mr. McEwen was able to get another quote since we are able to combine parts of this program, this quote would be for 6 years.

Bob Dietz made a motion to approve the purchase of CKLA Reading Curriculum contingent upon the State's approval of using ESSER funds, Steve Overmiller seconded the motion. The motion was approved by a 7-0 vote. **7:13 PM**

ITEM 9. DISCUSSION AND DECISION OF CONTINUING PAT PROGRAM

The Resignation from Jennifer Corbett was approved in the consensus items, discussion on whether to continue the program. Jennifer has turned in the application for the State funding but there needs to be more information added to complete the application. She did not complete the application for the Hansen Grant. At this time of the year it would be really hard to secure a replacement coordinator as well as a teacher. This past year she has been working with 20 children, but the numbers have been cut back to 10 children in the future. Mr. McEwen has visited with KSDE and there are other options that can be looked into but not sure if they will an option right now. Beloit has a program that includes 5 districts at this time and not sure if they have the capacity to add another school or 2 at this time.

Jessica Weltmer made a motion to not carry on the USD 237 NCK PAT Consortium but explore other options, Bob Dietz seconded the motion. The motion was approved by a 7-0 vote. **7:27 PM**

ITEM 10. FIRST READING OF CLASSIFIED HANDBOOK AND CRISIS MANAGEMENT PLAN 2023-2024

Smoky Hill had some recommendations for the Crisis Plan language changes. We added the classified sick leave pool information to the handbook. It was noted that we need to change July forth/fourth wording on page 12.

ITEM 11. DISCUSSION & APPROVAL OF 2023-2024 SCHOOL CALENDAR

Due to a track meet conflict we had to move one meet from a Thursday back to Tuesday and start an hour earlier.

Jessica Weltmer made a motion to approved the calendar change, Sara Pruden seconded the motion. The motion was approved by a 7-0 vote. **7:35 PM**

ITEM 12. APPROVAL OF PART-TIME HIGH SCHOOL SCIENCE TEACHER

Jim Garretson is willing to teach part-time, teaching a Physics class, a Chemistry class and an hour planning period.

Bob Dietz made a motion to approve the part-time contract for Jim Garretson as part-time Science Teacher, Marty Hanson seconded the motion. The motion was approved by a 7-0 vote. **7:37 PM**

ITEM 13. APPROVAL OF ADDITIONAL SUPPLEMENTAL DUTY ASSIGNMENTS 2023-2024

Bob Dietz made a motion to approve the recommended supplemental position, Libby McDonald seconded the motion. The motion was approved by a 7-0 vote. **7:41 PM**

ITEM 14. KASB JUNE 2023 BOARD POLICY UPDATES AND FIRST READING

Mr. McEwen went over the recommended updates for the KASB Board Policies. There will be more guidance for the JBCC, he recommends waiting until we have more information, the law requires the board to adopt a policy, it requires a public hearing with 2 consecutive weekly notices in the paper.

ITEM 15. DISCUSSION AND APPROVAL OF FOUTS INSURANCE

We received the quote from Fouts Insurance today it did go up \$31,250 from last year as the replacement values, materials and labor have also gone up.

Bob Dietz made a motion to approve the Insurance as presented to the board, Steve Overmiller seconded the motion. The motion was approved by a 7-0 vote. **8:02 PM**

ITEM 16. REPORTS

- a. Libby McDonald, NCKSEC Interlocal #636 Report – Not much to report but they have negotiated a 2.5% raise for the Para's.
- b. Greg Koelsch, SCHS Principal – Nothing tonight
- c. Michelle Stamm, SCE Principal – Nothing tonight

- d. Dustin McEwen, Superintendent – Blue Cross and Blue Shield rates had a premium increase of .76%, most of the other schools had a bigger increase this year.

ITEM 17. EXECUTIVE SESSION – NEGOTIATIONS

Jessica Weltmer made a motion to go into Executive Session - Negotiations, pursuant to KOMA for 10 minutes to resume at 8:18 PM. Sara Pruden seconded the motion, the motion was approved by a 7-0 vote. **8:08 PM**

The Board asked Mr. McEwen to remain in the closed meeting.

Shelly Strine, Greg Koelsch, Teri Overmiller, Nick Linn, Michelle Stamm, Steven and Samantha Russell and Roberta Reinking left the meeting.

Shelly Strine, Greg Koelsch, Teri Overmiller, Nick Linn, Michelle Stamm, Steven and Samantha Russell and Roberta Reinking returned to the meeting. **8:18 PM**

Jessica Weltmer made a motion to go into Executive Session - Negotiations, pursuant to KOMA for 5 minutes to resume at 8:23 PM. Sara Pruden seconded the motion, the motion was approved by a 7-0 vote. **8:18 PM**

The Board asked Mr. McEwen to remain in the closed meeting.

Shelly Strine, Greg Koelsch, Teri Overmiller, Nick Linn, Michelle Stamm, Steven and Samantha Russell and Roberta Reinking left the meeting.

Shelly Strine, Greg Koelsch, Teri Overmiller, Nick Linn, Michelle Stamm, Steven and Samantha Russell and Roberta Reinking returned to the meeting. **8:23 PM**

Jessica Weltmer made a motion to go into Executive Session - Negotiations, pursuant to KOMA for 5 minutes to resume at 8:28 PM. Sara Pruden seconded the motion, the motion was approved by a 7-0 vote. **8:23 PM**

The Board asked Mr. McEwen to remain in the closed meeting.

Shelly Strine, Greg Koelsch, Teri Overmiller, Nick Linn, Michelle Stamm, Steven and Samantha Russell and Roberta Reinking left the meeting.

Shelly Strine, Greg Koelsch, Teri Overmiller, Nick Linn, Michelle Stamm, Steven and Samantha Russell and Roberta Reinking returned to the meeting. **8:28 PM**

Jessica Weltmer made a motion to go into Executive Session - Negotiations, pursuant to KOMA for 5 minutes to resume at 8:33 PM. Sara Pruden seconded the motion, the motion was approved by a 7-0 vote. **8:28 PM**

The Board asked Mr. McEwen to remain in the closed meeting.

Shelly Strine, Greg Koelsch, Teri Overmiller, Nick Linn, Michelle Stamm, Steven and Samantha Russell and Roberta Reinking left the meeting.

Shelly Strine, Greg Koelsch, Teri Overmiller, Nick Linn, Michelle Stamm, Steven and Samantha Russell and Roberta Reinking returned to the meeting. **8:33 PM**

The Board wants to wait until after the July School Board meeting to schedule another Negotiations meeting.

ITEM 18. EXECUTIVE SESSION – STUDENT MATTERS

Bob Dietz made a motion to go into Executive Session – Student Matters, pursuant to KOMA for 15 minutes to resume at 8:54 PM. Sara Pruden seconded the motion, the motion was approved by a 7-0 vote. **8:39 PM**

The Board asked Mr. McEwen to remain the in the closed meeting.

Shelly Strine, Greg Koelsch, Teri Overmiller, Nick Linn, Michelle Stamm, Steven and Samantha Russell and Roberta Reinking left the meeting.

Shelly Strine, Greg Koelsch, Teri Overmiller, Steven and Samantha Russell and Roberta Reinking returned to the meeting. **8:54 PM**

ITEM 19. EXECUTIVE SESSION – NON-ELECT PERSONNEL

Sara Pruden made a motion to go into Executive Session – Non-Elect Personnel, pursuant to KOMA for 10 minutes to resume at 9:06 PM. Bob Dietz seconded the motion, the motion was approved by a 7-0 vote. **8:56 PM**

The Board asked Mr. McEwen to remain the in the closed meeting.

Shelly Strine, Greg Koelsch, Teri Overmiller, Steven and Samantha Russell and Roberta Reinking left the meeting.

Steven and Samantha Russell and Roberta Reinking returned the meeting. **9:06 PM**

ITEM 20. BOARD COMMENTS

- a. Sign thank you for donations
- b. Dustin and Bert will be attending a budget workshop in Salina June 27
- c. FYI: During the months of June and July, the district office will be observing summer hours – closing the office on Friday afternoons.

ITEM 21. ADJOURN

Bob Dietz made a motion to adjourn the meeting, Marty Hanson seconded the motion. The motion was approved by a 7-0 vote. **9:08 PM**

....."it shall be my constant endeavor to devote time, thought and study to the duties and responsibilities of a school board member so that I may render effective and credible service....."

School Board Member Code of Ethics

Theron Haresnape, President

Roberta Reinking, Clerk

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