

**USD 237 Board of Education Regular Meeting**

**216 S. Jefferson, Smith Center, KS 66967**

**Board Minutes for Monday March 7, 2022**

**Smith Center Board of Education Meeting Room**

**ITEM 1. CALL TO ORDER**

President Theron Haresnape called the meeting to order.

**7:01 PM**

Present for the call to order were Theron Haresnape, Steve Overmiller, Sara Pruden, Libby McDonald, Marty Hanson, Bob Dietz and Jessica Weltmer. Superintendent Dustin McEwen, Board Clerk Roberta Reinking, Jr-Sr High Principal Greg Koelsch.

**ITEM 2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA – ADD/DELETE**

Bob Dietz made a motion to approve the agenda as it is, Libby McDonald seconded the motion. The motion was approved by a 7-0 vote.

**7:02 PM**

Michelle Stamm arrived at the meeting.

**7:03 PM**

**ITEM 3. APPROVAL OF CONSENSUS ITEMS**

- a. Minutes of the February 14, 2022 Regular Meeting
- b. March 7, 2022 Statements
- c. Approval of Madonna Jamison Scholarship Committee – Rebekah Miller and Julie Molzahn
- d. Approval of Terry and Mary Lynn Barta Fund for the Elementary
- e. Approval of Out of District Student
- f. Approval of Request for Personal Leave as Per Negotiated Agreement – Article Four: Leave, Section B: Family and Medical Leave: D: Personal Leave – Amanda Lehmann
- g. Approval of Request for Personal Leave as Per Negotiated Agreement – Article Four: Leave, Section B: Family and Medical Leave: D: Personal Leave – Bree Wilson
- h. Approval of Request for Personal Leave as Per Negotiated Agreement – Article Four: Leave, Section B: Family and Medical Leave: D: Personal Leave – Tim Wilson
- i. Approval of Contract with Kroeger to Update and Improve Wireless System at the High School
- j. Approval for Nex-tech to continue to Provide Internet Service
- k. Approval of Resignation from Shelby (Dannenberg) Taylor as Dance Coach

The board asked if they approved the leave time would there be enough subs to cover the ones gone. Michelle said she would make it work.

Steve Overmiller made a motion to approve the consensus items, Sara Pruden seconded the motion. The motion was approved by a 7-0 vote.

**7:10 PM**

#### **ITEM 4. PUBLIC FORUM**

Nothing tonight.

#### **ITEM 5. APPROVAL AND AGREEMENT FOR USE OF FACILITIES AND EQUIPMENT BELONGING TO USD 237**

There was some discussion on the form, Mr. McEwen state the board would still have the right to waive the fee for any group.

Marty Hanson made a motion to approve the updated form presented by Mr. McEwen, Libby McDonald seconded the motion. The motion was approved by a 7-0 vote. **7:23 PM**

#### **ITEM 6. REPORTS**

Bob Dietz reported for NCKSEC Interlocal #636, Bob had nothing to report this month.

Greg Koelsch, Principal, the FFA fire relief going to Russell was moved to March 18 and 19 because of possible bad weather. Transportation has been a concern this week with all the activities going on, the girls basketball team will travel to Manhattan for State Basketball on Wednesday to play at 8:00. At this time band and cheerleaders will take a bus later to Manhattan, they will come home after the game. There is an 8<sup>th</sup> grade field trip scheduled for Thursday to Hutchinson. There are 4 suburban's taking the Chansonaire's to Branson. There is a concern about the weather so they will be keeping an eye on that.

Greg talked about the opportunities the students have to be able to go on these trips as well as the education that goes along with it.

Michelle Stamm, Principal, mentioned that this is the second week they have had a music sub and she thinks that is going really well, it has given her a break to catch up on her duties. There were 34 students at the Kindergarten roundup, she was really happy with the numbers. She talked about the Terry and Mary Lynn Barta Fund and how that money was being spent, they have ordered some of the weighted stuffed animals, they updated the phonics, ordered sensory toys like sand and play dough as well as board games. There was about 92% in attendance for parent teacher conferences this is down a little from the past.

Mr. McEwen, Superintendent, they started interviews last week and hope to be able to move forward on the hiring. Mr. McEwen, Roberta Reinking and Barbara Wilson had a zoom with KSDE on the audit there was one form that was used for Pre-K they wanted to have the parent sign and date, Mrs. Stamm corrected that and it was emailed to KSDE. The ESSER Retention pay has been prepared and ready to go out to the district employees.

#### **ITEM 7. EXECUTIVE SESSION – SUPERINTENDENT EVALUATION**

Bob Dietz made a motion to go into Executive Session – Superintendent Evaluation for 10 minutes with

the board only present, Steve Overmiller seconded the motion. The motion was approved by a 7-0 vote.

**7:46 PM**

Mr. Koelsch, Mrs. Stamm, Mr. McEwen and Roberta Reinking left the meeting.

Mr. McEwen and Roberta Reinking returned to the meeting.

Bob Dietz made a motion to go into Executive Session – Superintendent Evaluation for 5 minutes with the board only present, Steve Overmiller seconded the motion. The motion was approved by a 7-0 vote

**7:56 PM**

Mr. McEwen and Roberta Reinking left the meeting.

The board asked Mr. McEwen to return to the meeting.

**7:58 PM**

Roberta Reinking returned to the meeting.

Bob Dietz made a motion to go into Executive Session – Superintendent Evaluation for 5 minutes with the board only present, Steve Overmiller seconded the motion. The motion was approved by a 7-0 vote

**8:01 pm**

Roberta Reinking left the meeting.

Jessica Weltmer made a motion to extend Mr. McEwen’s contract for the 23-24 school year, compensation to be determined at that time, Sara Pruden seconded the motion. The motion was approved by a 7-0 vote.

**8:08 PM**

#### **ITEM 8. EXECUTIVE SESSION – NEGOTIATIONS – LETTER OF INTENT TO NEGOTIATE BY MARCH 31, 2022**

Bob Dietz made a motion to go into Executive Session – Negotiations – Letter of Intent to Negotiate by March 31, 2022 for 5 minutes, Jessica Weltmer seconded the motion. The motion was approved by a 7-0 vote.

**8:09 PM**

The board invited Mr. McEwen to stay.

Roberta Reinking left the meeting.

Roberta Reinking returned to the meeting, there was no action taken.

**8:14 PM**

#### **ITEM 9. EXECUTIVE SESSION – STUDENT MATTERS**

Steve Overmiller made a motion to go into Executive Session – Student Matters for 2 minutes, Bob Dietz seconded the motion. The motion was approved by a 7-0 vote.

**8:20 PM**

The board invited Mr. McEwen to stay.

Roberta Reinking left the meeting.

Roberta Reinking returned to the meeting.

**8:22 PM**

Marty Hanson made a motion to approve the remote learning for students over the 40 hours, Sara Pruden seconded the motion. The motion was approved by a 7-0 vote.

**8:23 PM**

#### **ITEM 10. EXECUTIVE SESSION – PERSONNEL**

Bob Dietz made a motion to go into Executive Session – Personnel for 10 minutes, Jessica Weltmer seconded the motion. The motion was approved by a 7-0 vote.

**8:24 PM**

The board invited Mr. McEwen to stay.

Roberta Reinking left the meeting.

Roberta Reinking returned to the meeting.

Bob Dietz made a motion to go into Executive Session – Personnel for 5 minutes, Jessica Weltmer seconded the motion. The motion was approved by a 7-0 vote.

**8:34 PM**

The board invited Mr. McEwen to stay.

Roberta Reinking left the meeting.

Roberta Reinking returned to the meeting.

Bob Dietz made a motion to go into Executive Session – Personnel for 5 minutes, Jessica Weltmer seconded the motion. The motion was approved by a 7-0 vote.

**8:39 PM**

The board invited Mr. McEwen to stay.

Roberta Reinking left the meeting.

Roberta Reinking returned to the meeting, there was not action taken.

**8:44 PM**

#### **ITEM 11. BOARD ENRICHMENT OPPORTUNITIES**

#### **ITEM 12. BOARD COMMENTS**

#### **ITEM 13. ADJOURN**

Libby McDonald made a motion to adjourn the meeting, Bob Dietz seconded the motion. The motion was approved by a 7-0 vote.

**8:47 PM**

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School Board Member Code of Ethics

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Theron Haresnape, President

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Roberta Reinking, Clerk

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