**USD 237 Board of Education Regular Meeting**

**Board Minutes for Monday March 6, 2022**

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

**Smith Center Board of Education Meeting Room**

**ITEM 1. CALL TO ORDER**

**President Theron Haresnape called the meeting to order. 7:00 PM**

**Board members present for the call to order Theron Haresnape, Jessica Weltmer, Bob Dietz, Marty Hanson, Libby McDonald, Sara Pruden and Steve Overmiller. Superintendent Dustin McEwen, Board Clerk Roberta Reinking, SCHS Principal Greg Koelsch, SCE Principal Michelle Stamm and Kelli Schmidt.**

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

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

**ITEM 3. APPROVAL OF CONSENSUS ITEMS**

1. **Minutes of the February 13, 2023 Regular Meeting**
2. **March 6, 2023 statements**
3. **Approval of Madonna Jamison Scholarship Committee – Crystal Ifland and Alex Hobelmann**
4. **Approval of request for personal leave as per Negotiated Agreement – Article Four: Leaves, Section B: Family and Medical Leave: D. Personal Leave – Alex Hobelmann**
5. **Approval to Request to move across on salary schedule – Ellie Stansbury**

**Jessica Weltmer made a motion to approved the Consensus items, Sara Pruden seconded the motion. The motion was approved by a 7-0 vote. 7:04 PM**

**ITEM 4. PUBLIC FORUM**

**Nothing tonight**

**ITEM 5. DISCUSSION & APPROVAL OF KNEA READING CIRCLE, DONATION OF BOOKS**

**Kelli Schmidt brought a list of books that had been donated to the Library. Kelli explained that the books are usually first-time authors and trying to get their books in front of people. The KNEA Reading Circle read the books then they give a brief overview of the books. There was discussion about the potential content and grade of donated books. The donated books are given to the district librarian Heather Sasse to review for content and appropriate grade level.**

**Bob Dietz made a motion to accept the donation of books, Jessica Weltmer seconded the motion. The motion was approved by a 7-0 vote. 7:14 PM**

**Kelli Schmidt left the meeting.**

**ITEM 6. APPROVAL OF CONTRACT FOR JR HIGH ASST TRACK COACH**

**Jessica Weltmer made a motion to approve the Contract for Jr. High Asst Track Coach to Kelli Armknecht, Sara Pruden seconded the motion. The motion was approved by a 7-0 vote. 7:16 PM**

**ITEM 7. APPROVAL OF CONTRACT FOR VOCAL/BAND**

**Marty Hanson made a motion to approved the Contract for Vocal/Band for Brice Hackler, Libby McDonald seconded the motion. The motion was approved by a 7-0 vote. 7:19 PM**

**ITEM 8. APPROVAL OF CONTRACT FOR HEAD FOOTBALL COACH**

**Bob Dietz made a motion to approve the Contract for Head High School Football Coach to Mike Rogers, Jessica Weltmer seconded the motion. The motion was approved by a 7-0 vote. 7:20 PM**

**ITEM 9. DISCUSSION OF UNPAID MEAL CHARGES POLICY AND BOE EE FOOD SERVICE MANAGEMENT POLICY**

**During the food service audit, it was recommended that we review our unpaid meal charge policy. Mr. McEwen has been looking over the policy and comparing it to the BOE EE Food Service Management Policy and they don’t match. With having the last two years of free lunches the unpaid meals has become a problem and the district needs to get a policy on how to handle the unpaid meals. Setting an amount for notification and a maximum amount as well has how best to contact the parents. It was also talked about contacting organizations and churches to see if they would like to put some money towards past due balances. Maybe also make it matching donation to a parent that pays part we can pull the matching amount out of the fund.**

**ITEM 10. APPROVAL TO ALLOW DONATION LEFTOVER LUNCH FUNDS**

**Mr. McEwen put together a couple of different options on donating leftover lunch account funds at the end of the school year. A parent would have the option to donate part or all of the extra money they have left over or they can opt out and it will rollover for next year.**

**Bob Dietz made a motion to approved handing out the letter to parents on donating leftover funds, Sara Pruden seconded the motion. The motion was approved by a 7-0 vote. 8:08 PM**

**ITEM 11. APPROVAL TO HIRE MAINTENANCE/CUSTODIAL SUMMER HELP**

**A.J. Kuhlmann talked to Mr. McEwen about hiring a classified staff employee that would be willing to help with summer maintenance.**

**Jessica Weltmer made a motion to allow A. J. Kuhlmann to hire summer help, possibly a classified employee that doesn’t work during the summer, Marty Hanson seconded the motion. The motion was approved by a 7-0 vote. 8:11 PM**

**ITEM 12. DISCUSSION & APPROVAL ON TREATING TERMITES**

**A.J. Kuhlmann recently discovered termite damage around the Maintenance/Preschool building. World Pest sent an estimate to install Sentricon system at the Maintenance/Preschool building. An estimate was also provided for installing Sentricon at the High School.**

**Jessica Weltmer made a motion to only treat where they have found the termites, Libby McDonald seconded the motion. The motion was approved by a 7-0 vote. 8:16 PM**

**ITEM 13. DISCUSSION & ACTION OF NEIGHBORHOOD REVITALIZATION PLAN FOR OSBORNE COUNTY**

**Mr. McEwen talked about the NRP program for Osborne County, from the information received there really is not advantage for the district to participate in the program. The district does not participate in the Smith County NRP.**

**Bob Dietz made a motion to pass on the Osborne Neighborhood Revitalization Plan, Steve Overmiller seconded the motion. The motion was approved by a 7-0 vote. 8:18 PM**

**ITEM 14. REPORTS**

**Libby McDonald – NCKSEC Interlocal #363 Report, they discussed district assessments, HB 2567 and Health Insurance.**

**Greg Koelsch – SCHS Principal, nothing to add at this time, he did mention Forensics left early this morning tor League Forensics in Oakley.**

**Michelle Stamm – SCE Principal, last week there was Kindergarten roundup, there were 30 students that attended, there were also 30 for pre-k screening. She talked about the carnival that will be held on March 30, asked if any of the board members wanted to volunteer to help. Sara Pruden offered the use and supplies of their cotton candy machine.**

**Dustin McEwen – Superintendent, Sports Complex fire, the complex completion date for the restoration is March 17. KESA the district OVT visit was February 15, the leadership team gave an incredible presentation. The year 5 summary, data artifacts and OVT report have been submitted to KSDE. The Wellness Committee met during the morning of February 23 District Inservice. The teachers have been working on submitting their CTE pathways to KSDE, they are looking to increase by 3 next year to 9 pathways. Mrs. Stamm, Mr. Koelsch, Mrs. Schmidt, Mr. Allen, Hayley Moll and Mr. McEwen attended the Crisis Cadre with Smoky Hills on February 21. There will be another meeting in April, they will submit the current crisis plan to Smoky Hill to evaluate and give recommendations for improvements.**

**ITEM 15. EXECUTIVE SESSION – SUPERINTENDENT EVALUATION**

**Bob Dietz made a motion to go into Executive Session – Superintendent Evaluation with just the board, pursuant to KOMA for 10 minutes with open meeting to resume at 8:47 PM. Steve Overmiller seconded the motion, the motion was approved by a 7-0 vote. 8:37 PM**

**Greg Koelsch, Michelle Stamm, Dustin McEwen and Roberta Reinking left the meeting.**

**Roberta Reinking & Dustin McEwen returned to closed meeting.**

**Bob Dietz made a motion to go into Executive Session – Superintendent Evaluation with just the board, pursuant to KOMA for 3 minutes with open meeting to resume at 8:50 PM. Steve Overmiller seconded the motion, the motion was approved by a 7-0 vote. 8:47 PM**

**Roberta Reinking & Dustin McEwen returned to closed meeting.**

**Bob Dietz made a motion to go into Executive Session – Superintendent Evaluation with just the board and Mr. McEwen, pursuant to KOMA for 5 minutes with open meeting to resume at 8:55 PM. Steve Overmiller seconded the motion, the motion was approved by a 7-0 vote. 8:50 PM**

**Roberta Reinking left the meeting.**

**Roberta Reinking returned to closed meeting. 8:55 PM**

**Bob Dietz made a motion to extend the Contract for Superintendent Dustin McEwen to year 2024-2025, Sara Pruden seconded the motion. The motion was approved by a 7-0 vote. 8:59 PM**

**ITEM 16. EXECUTIVE SESSION – NEGOTIATIONS – LETTER OF INTEND TO NEGOTIATE BY MARCH 31, 2023**

**Jessica Weltmer made a motion to go into Executive Session – Negotiations – Letter of Intent to Negotiate by March 31, 2023, pursuant to KOMA for 5 minutes. Steve Overmiller seconded the motion. The motion was approved by a 7-0 vote. 9:00 PM**

**The board asked Mr. McEwen to remain in the meeting.**

**Roberta Reinking left the meeting.**

**Roberta Reinking returned to the meeting.**

**Jessica Weltmer made a motion to go into Executive Session – Negotiations – Letter of Intent to Negotiate by March 31, 2023, pursuant to KOMA for 5 minutes. Steve Overmiller seconded the motion. The motion was approved by a 7-0 vote. 9:05 PM**

**The board asked Mr. McEwen to remain in the meeting.**

**Roberta Reinking left the meeting.**

**Roberta Reinking returned to the meeting.**

**Jessica Weltmer made a motion to go into Executive Session – Negotiations – Letter of Intent to Negotiate by March 31, 2023, pursuant to KOMA for 5 minutes. Steve Overmiller seconded the motion. The motion was approved by a 7-0 vote. 9:10 PM**

**The board asked Mr. McEwen to remain in the meeting.**

**Roberta Reinking left the meeting.**

**Roberta Reinking returned to the meeting.**

**ITEM 17. EXECUTIVE SESSION – NON-ELECT PERSONNEL**

**Jessica Weltmer made a motion to go into Executive Session – Non-Elect Personnel, pursuant to KOMA for 10 minutes with the board and Mr. McEwen. Steve Overmiller seconded the motion. The motion was approved by a 7-0 vote. 9:18 PM**

**Roberta Reinking left the meeting.**

**Roberta Reinking returned to the meeting.**

**Jessica Weltmer made a motion to go into Executive Session – Non-Elect Personnel, pursuant to KOMA for 10 minutes with the board and Mr. McEwen. Steve Overmiller seconded the motion. The motion was approved by a 7-0 vote. 9:28 PM**

**Roberta Reinking left the meeting.**

**Roberta Reinking returned to the meeting.**

**Jessica Weltmer made a motion to go into Executive Session – Non-Elect Personnel, pursuant to KOMA for 10 minutes with the board and Mr. McEwen. Steve Overmiller seconded the motion. The motion was approved by a 7-0 vote. 9:38 PM**

**Roberta Reinking left the meeting.**

**Roberta Reinking returned to the meeting.**

**Jessica Weltmer made a motion to go into Executive Session – Non-Elect Personnel, pursuant to KOMA for 5 minutes with the board and Mr. McEwen. Steve Overmiller seconded the motion. The motion was approved by a 7-0 vote. 9:43 PM**

**Roberta Reinking left the meeting.**

**Roberta Reinking returned to the meeting.**

**Jessica Weltmer made a motion to go into Executive Session – Non-Elect Personnel, pursuant to KOMA for 5 minutes with the board and Mr. McEwen. Steve Overmiller seconded the motion. The motion was approved by a 7-0 vote. 9:48 PM**

**ITEM 18. BOARD COMMENTS**

**The board talked about the KSHSSA Election Ballot, Bob will no longer be able to run. Mr. McEwen will visit with some of the districts to see if they have anyone interested. If not we don’t have anyone we don’t need to return the ballot.**

**ITEM 19. ADJOURN**

**Jessica Weltmer made a motion to adjourn the meeting, Bob Dietz seconded the motion. The motion was approved by a 7-0 vote. 10:10 PM**

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 **School Board Member Code of Ethics**

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Theron Haresnape, President Roberta Reinking, Clerk

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