

Unofficial Minutes
USD 417 Board of Education
6:00 P.M. Regular Meeting
March 18th, 2024
USD 417 District Office
17 Wood Street, Council Grove, Kansas 66846

REGULAR MEETING

Meeting called to order at 6:00 P.M. by USD 417 BOE President, TinaRae Scott.

Members Present: TinaRae Scott, Jamie Johnson, Kelsey Hartman, Jay Troxell, Patty Talley, Don Alderman and Terry Powell (arrived at 6:24 P.M).

Others Present: Superintendent Nancy Meyer, Jan Sciacca (Zoom), Valerie Gehrer (Acting Deputy Clerk), Evan Carr (Student Body Representative), Chris Delforge, Matt Fox, Dustin Webber, Heather Honas, Kelcy Bremer, Jay Doornbos, Dana Reddick, Angela Harris and Tasha Green.

Empty Chair Philosophy: The Empty Chair Philosophy was observed.

Approval of Agenda: Jamie Johnson (Patty Talley) moved to approve the agenda as presented with the amendments as follows: Remove Tasha Green's resignation as JH Head track coach in the consent agenda, Add RFP for 1 CD to Business Items and Reports, and Add 6th Grade Field Trip Request to Business Items and Reports.

Motion passed 6 – 0.

Approval of Monthly Bills: Jamie Johnson (Kelsey Hartman) moved to approve the payment of \$242,364.24 in monthly bills and financials.

Motion passed 6-0.

Approval of Consent Agenda: Kelsey Hartman (Patty Talley) moved to approve the Consent Agenda as amended.

Motion passed 6 – 0.

Administrative Reports: Administrators send their monthly reports via email and are included in the packet. Any further additions will be reported at this time.

1. Council Grove Elementary – nothing new to report
2. Prairie Heights Elementary – nothing new to report
3. Jr/Sr High School – nothing new to report
4. Health and Wellness – nothing new to report
5. Curriculum – nothing new to report
6. Superintendent Nancy Meyer - will check if hands free water fountains would be something covered with ESSR funds.

Board Member Items:

- President TinaRae Scott - announced that KASB Board of Directors and staff will be in Council Grove on April 12th and 13th.

Business Items and Reports:

1. **High School Shop Floor**

CGJSHS Principal Jay Doornbos reviewed the flooring quotes for the CGJSHS shop area.

Terry Powell arrived at 6:24 P.M.

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Jamie Johnson (Jay Troxell) moved to accept the flooring quote from the Epoxy Brothers, LLC for \$39,000.

Motion passed 7-0.

TinaRae Scott (Kelsey Hartman) moved to approve the purchase of 4 Dewalt 4.5 inch Angle Grinders at \$100 each for a total of \$400. Amended to authorize Superintendent Nancy Meyer to approve a purchase of 4 Dewalt 4.5 inch Angle Grinders.

Motion passed 7-0.

Terry Powell recused himself at 6:33 P.M.

2. RFP for CD

Superintendent Nancy Meyer reviewed the RFPs for the 1 CD from the 3 local banks.

Jamie Johnson (Patty Talley) moved to accept the RFP for Certificate of Deposit from Farmers and Drovers at 5.25% for 12 months.

Motion passed 6 – 0.

Terry Powell returned at 6:35 P.M.

3. 6th Grade Art Field Trip

A letter was provided from CGES Art Teacher, Bob Alexander, requesting permission to take 6th Graders in our district to attend the Nelson-Atkins Museum of Art in Kansas City, Missouri with a date to be determined.

Terry Powell (Jamie Johnson) moved to approve the upcoming 6th Grade Art Trip in KC Missouri.

Motion passed 7 – 0.

4. Approve Graduation Requirements

Curriculum Director Valerie Gehrre reviewed the new state requirements for high school graduation.

TinaRae Scott (Kelsey Hartman) moved to accept the proposed USD 417 high school graduation requirements.

Motion passed 7-0.

5. Math Resource Adoption

Curriculum Director Valerie Gehrre reviewed the proposed math resources.

Jamie Johnson (Patty Talley) moved to adopt the proposed math resource adoption as presented in the amount of \$224,682.54.

Motion passed 7-0.

6. High School Graduation and 8th Grade Promotion Assignments

Board members are to let Amber know if they are able to attend either the high school graduation or 8th grade promotion.

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7. Executive Session – Negotiations

Jamie Johnson (Kelsey Hartman) moved to go into a 15-minute Executive Session in order to discuss the latest proposal for increasing the base pay rate from the teachers pursuant to exception for employer-employee negotiations under KOMA with the board and Superintendent Meyer. The open meeting will resume in the board room.

Motion Passed 7– 0.

The Board went into Executive Session at 7:05 PM

The Board returned to Open Session at 7:20 PM

Jamie Johnson (Kelsey Hartman) moved to go into a 10-minute Executive Session in order to discuss the latest proposal for increasing the base pay rate from the teachers pursuant to exception for employer-employee negotiations under KOMA with the board and Superintendent Meyer. The open meeting will resume in the board room.

Motion Passed 7– 0.

The Board went into Executive Session 7:21 PM

The Board returned to Open Session at 7:31 PM

8. Executive Session – Personnel

Jamie Johnson (Kelsey Hartman) moved to go into a 30-minute Executive Session in order to discuss an individual employee's performance pursuant to non-elected personnel exception under KOMA with the board and Superintendent Meyer with action to be taken. The open meeting will resume in the board room.

Motion Passed 7– 0.

The Board went into Executive Session at 7:33 PM

The Board returned to Open Session at 8:03 PM

5-minutes recess at 8:06 P.M.

The board returned to open session at 8:11 P.M.

Jamie Johnson (Kelsey Hartman) moved to go into a 30-minute Executive Session in order to discuss an individual employee's performance pursuant to non-elected personnel exception under KOMA with the board and Superintendent Meyer. The open meeting will resume in the board room.

Motion Passed 7– 0.

The Board went into Executive Session at 8:12 PM

The Board returned to Open Session at 8:42 PM

Jamie Johnson (Kelsey Hartman) moved to go into a 10-minute Executive Session in order to discuss an individual employee's performance pursuant to non-elected personnel exception under KOMA with the board and Superintendent Meyer. The open meeting will resume in the board room.

Motion Passed 7– 0.

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The Board went into Executive Session at 8:42 PM

The Board returned to Open Session at 8:52 PM

9. **Approve Nurse Aides/Nurse and Instructional Coach**
TinaRae Scott (Don Alderman) moved to table the approval of nurse aides/nurse and instructional coach.
Motion passed 7 – 0.
10. **Approve Tech Director**
TinaRae Scott (Kelsey Hartman) moved to approve the hiring of Dustin Webber as Tech Director.
Motion passed 7-0.
11. **Executive Session – Personnel for Superintendent Evaluation**
Jamie Johnson (Kelsey Hartman) moved to go into a 10-minute Executive Session in order to discuss the superintendent evaluation pursuant to non-elected personnel exception under KOMA with the board and the ability to recall Superintendent Nancy Meyer as needed, with no action to be taken. The open meeting will resume in the board room.
Motion Passed 7– 0.
The Board went into Executive Session at 9:00 PM
The Board returned to Open Session at 9:10 PM
- Jamie Johnson (Kelsey Hartman) moved to go into a 5-minute Executive Session in order to discuss the superintendent evaluation pursuant to non-elected personnel exception under KOMA with the board and the ability to recall Superintendent Nancy Meyer as needed. The open meeting will resume in the board room.**
Motion Passed 7– 0.
The Board went into Executive Session at 9:10 PM
The Board returned to Open Session at 9:15 PM

Adjournment:

Next Regular Meeting – April 15th, 2024 at 6:00 P.M.

President TinaRae Scott adjourned meeting at 9:15 P.M.

APPROVED:

Valerie Gehrer, USD 417 Acting Deputy Clerk

TinaRae Scott, President, BOE