

UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 240

Minutes of the meeting of the Board of Education held on April 20, 2015 at the Unified District Office. Those present were Board Members Sara Hodges, Robert Miller, Kathy Laflen, Shari Diedrick and Warren McDougal; Administrators Craig Gantenbein, Becky Cheney and Steve Rivers; Superintendent Jan Neufeld, Clerk Cindy Regnier and 6 guests.

President Sara Hodges called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

The agenda for the meeting was adopted. Motion by Robert Miller, seconded by Kathy Laflen. Carried with 5-0 vote.

Phil Aumick arrived at 6:15 p.m.

The consent agenda (March 9, 2015 minutes, March 24, 2015 minutes and checks 53562 through 53717 in the amount of \$398,663.83) for the meeting was approved. Motion by Robert Miller, seconded by Shari Diedrick. Carried with 6-0 vote.

Motion by Warren McDougal to approve the facility use requests from United Church of Bennington and the Bennington Alumni Association with waiver of fees. Seconded by Phil Aumick. Carried 5-0-1, Laflen abstaining.

Motion by Warren McDougal to renew membership to Kansas Association of School Boards, including the legal consultation service. Seconded by Robert Miller. Motion carried 6-0.

Motion by Robert Miller to verify the last day for students in USD 240 is May 8, 2015, for documentation purposes of USD 305. Seconded by Shari Diedrick. Carried 6-0.

Motion by Robert Miller that the board enter executive session for 5 minutes to discuss an out of district student request. Seconded by Kathy Laflen. Motion carried 6-0. The board entered executive session at 7:36 p.m.

The board reconvened at 7:41 p.m.

Motion by Kathy Laflen that the board accept the technology director's recommendation of supplying chromebooks as student technology devices and that they move forward with researching purchasing options. Seconded by Phil Aumick. Carried 6-0.

It was decided that all new out of district applications will be tabled until such time as more financial information is available to the board.

Motion by Kathy Laflen to adopt the Hazard Mitigation Plan as outlined by the North Central Kansas Region F. Seconded by Shari Diedrick. Motion carried 6-0.

Motion by Robert Miller to adopt the recommended fee schedule for 2015-16 school year as presented. Seconded by Kathy Laflen. Motion carried 6-0.

Motion by Kathy Laflen that the board enter executive session for 60 minutes to discuss personnel. Seconded by Robert Miller. The board entered executive session at 8:30 p.m.

The Board reconvened at 9:30 p.m.

Motion by Robert Miller to offer contracts for the 15-16 school year to Andrea Pickering, Curtis Noon, Kevin Turowski as USD 240 teachers and Crystal VanCoevern as social worker. Seconded by Warren McDougal. Motion carried 6-0.

Motion by Phil Aumick to accept the resignation of Tim Dolloff and Rebekka Dolloff as USD 240 teachers and Cathryn Wenthe as THS STUCO sponsor. Seconded by Kathy Laflen. Motion carried 6-0.

Motion by Warren McDougal to reassign Bennington administrative duties as follows:

Craig Gantenbein: Pre through 6th grade

Steve Rivers: 7th grade through 12th grade

Seconded by Robert Miller. Motion carried 6-0.

Motion by Sara Hodges that the board extend the Superintendent contract of Janet Neufeld for one year to expire June 30, 2017. Seconded by Kathy Laflen. Motion carried 4-2, McDougal and Miller opposed.

Motion by Robert Miller that the board re-enter executive session for 30 minutes to discuss personnel. Seconded by Warren McDougal. Carried 6-0. The board re-entered executive session at 9:40 p.m.

The Board reconvened at 10:10 p.m.

Motion by Kathy Laflen to offer supplemental contracts for 2015-16 to Chris Bruce as BHS Play Director, Bailey Schell as BHS Play Assistant, Dallas Matthews as BHS dance team sponsor, Rena Mick and Ann Feil as BHS Cheer Sponsors, Jeanine Lytton as THS Volleyball Coach and Daymon Walker as TJH Boys Basketball Coach. Seconded by Phil Aumick. Motion carried 6-0.

Motion by Robert Miller that the board reenter executive session for 60 minutes to discuss negotiations. Seconded by Warren McDougal. Motion carried 6-0. The board entered executive session at 10:20 p.m.

The board reconvened at 11:20 p.m.

A special board meeting will be held April 30, 2015 at 6:00 p.m. to be held primarily in executive session to address budgetary issues.

President Sara Hodges adjourned the meeting.

Cindy Regnier
Clerk of the Board