

UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 240

Minutes of the meeting of the Board of Education held on June 20, 2016 at the Unified District Office. Those present were Board Members Jeremiah Van Doren, Robert Miller, Rosemary Neaderhiser, Ray Swearingen and Warren McDougal; Administrators Becky Cheney, Steve Rivers and Craig Gantenbein; Superintendent Jan Neufeld, Clerk Cindy Regnier; and 6 visitors.

President Jeremiah Van Doren called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

The agenda for the meeting was adopted. Motion by Ray Swearingen seconded by Warren McDougal. Carried with 5-0 vote.

The consent agenda (May 16, 2016 minutes, May 31, 2016 minutes, and checks 55311 through 55400 in the amount of \$63,162.62) for the meeting was approved. Motion by Warren McDougal, seconded by Robert Miller. Carried with 5-0 vote.

The board agreed by consensus to hire the auditing firm of Mize Houser & Co. for the 15-16 year.

Motion by Warren McDougal that a District Food Service Director be hired for the 16-17 year. Seconded by Robert Miller. Motion failed 3-2, Neaderhiser and Swearingen dissenting.

Motion by Ray Swearingen that the board seek applicants for the food service director position. Seconded by Robert Miller. Motion carried 5-0.

Motion by Rosemary Neaderhiser to appoint Superintendent Van Ranken as authorized representative and Principals Kimmi, Gantenbein and Nightingale as determining officials for food service officials for the 16-17 year. Seconded by Robert Miller. Motion carried 5-0.

Motion by Ray Swearingen that the board enter executive session for 5 minutes to discuss student issues. Seconded by Robert Miller. The board entered executive session at 6:55p.m. The board reconvened at 7:00 p.m.

Motion by Robert Miller to approve all existing out of district students for the 16-17 school year. Seconded by Ray Swearingen, Motion carried 5-0.

Motion by Warren McDougal to approve one out of district applicant for the 16-17 school year per Principal Gantenbein's recommendation. Seconded by Robert Miller. Motion carried 5-0.

Motion by Ray Swearingen to approve the school handbooks for the 2016-17 school year. Seconded by Warren McDougal. Carried 5-0.

Motion by Rosemary Neaderhiser to forgive the balance due from the Bennington Recreation Commission for use of ball fields in 15-16 in exchange for electricity payments made by the city on behalf of the school for the past four years. Seconded by Warren McDougal. Motion carried 5-0.

Motion by Ray Swearingen to approve a school vehicle for out of state travel for the group attending Cross Country camp in Colorado. Seconded by Robert Miller. Motion carried 5-0.

Motion by Ray Swearingen to rescind all policy actions established during previous year and adopt all current written policies for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2016. Seconded by Rosemary Neaderhiser. Motion carried 5-0.

Motion by Warren McDougal to accept the bid of Farmway Co-op for 30,000 gallons of propane for 2016-17 school year. Seconded by Robert Miller. Carried 5-0.

Motion by Ray Swearingen that the board enter executive session for 20 minutes to discuss personnel. Seconded by Rosemary Neaderhiser and carried 5-0. The board entered executive session at 8:30 pm.

The board reconvened at 8:50 pm.

Motion by Rosemary Neaderhiser to approve the hiring of Gayathri Ramkumar as Tescott Math and Science Instructor, Rachel Larson as USD 240 Spanish instructor and Marvis Bruckner as USD 240 Title Reading Instructor. Seconded by Ray Swearingen. Motion carried 5-0.

Motion by Robert Miller to hire Doris Cheney as Tescott instructor for the 2016-17 school year contingent upon obtaining licensing by the state of Kansas. Seconded by Warren McDougal. Carried 5-0.

Motion By Ray Swearingen to hire Nathan Bjellands as BJH Assistant Football Coach, Amanda Rensink as THS Volleyball Coach, Rachel Ehlers as Assistant THS Volleyball Coach and Bill Scheef as THS Boys Basketball Coach. Seconded by Robert Miller. Motion carried 5-0.

Motion by Robert Miller that the board enter executive session for 10 minutes, inviting Sherry Wiesen to attend. Seconded by Ray Swearingen. The board entered executive session at 8:55 p.m. The board reconvened at 9:05 p.m.

President Jeremiah Van Doren adjourned the meeting.

Cindy Regnier
Clerk