

UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 467
WICHITA COUNTY
LEOTI, KANSAS

Meeting Time and Place

1. The Board of Education of Unified School District #467, Wichita County, Kansas met in regular session at 7:00p.m., Monday, August 14, 2017 in Leoti.

People Present

2. Members present were: Brian Gerstberger, Jason Koehn, Jim Myers, Tom Ridder, Tammy Simons, Farrin Watt, and Brandon Whalen.

Also present were: Superintendent, Keith Higgins; Clerk, Tammy Mason; Director of Buildings and Grounds/Transportation, Ed Simon; and Guests: Sara Brown, Julie Conard, Pat Bishop, Lynda Goodrich, and Haydon Parks.

3. Jim Myers noted one addition to the consent agenda: Item 3a; Remove Pat Bishop as a signer to the school district checking account and add Tammy Mason as Board Clerk and Jeannine Hassell as Treasurer.

Approve Consent Agenda

4. Farrin Watt moved and Tom Ridder seconded to approve the consent agenda with the above changes consisting of:
 - A. Agenda for the meeting
 - B. Minutes for July 18, 2017
 - C. Payment of the bills and payroll
 - D. Personnel Actions
 1. Approve contracts as listed
 2. Accept a resignation from Trenton Weilert, JH head boys' basketball coach.
 - E. Accept a donation from the Wichita County Economic Development of \$2,500.00 to the track fund.
 - F. Accept a donation from Monsanto and Ken and Mary Gerstberger of \$2,500.00 to the district.
 - G. Accept a donation from the Wichita County Community Foundation to Leslie Niswonger and Janet Robertson for the Jr/Sr High School Digital Media and Journalism classes for publication and production equipment in the amount of \$500.00.

H. Accept a donation from the Wichita County Community Foundation to the district Student Oral Health program in the amount of \$75.00. Motion carried 7-0.

District Checking Account

5. Jim Myers moved and Tammy Simons seconded to remove Pat Bishop as signer from the school district checking account and add Tammy Mason as Board Clerk and Jeannine Hassell as Treasurer. Motion carried 7-0.

Principal Reports

6. WCJSHS Principal Schmidt reported on enrollment that was held on August 1, 2017. The Jr./Sr. High school held a parents' meeting before school started. Mr. Schmidt discussed numbers involved in sports for football, volleyball, and cross country. He felt like the inservice for staff and the ALICE training went well.

7. WCES Principal Higgins reported on "Sneak Peak" at the grade school. He reported on the enrollment figures. He is looking into a phone app called "Crisis Go". Discussion was held on security cameras in the schools.

Superintendent's Report

8. Superintendent Higgins reported on K.E.S.A., Kansas Education Systems Accreditation. He also discussed Readiness for Success. Next week, Monday, August 21, 2017 will be a solar eclipse. He ordered glasses for the entire school district to participate. He also discussed the marquee sign that the Nickelson family would like to donate to the school district. They are still working on finalizing the plans for the sign.

Budget Review

9. Superintendent Higgins reviewed the 2017-2018 proposed budget with the Board, pointing out changes from the previous two years and answered questions. The Board discussed different options.

Approve Publication of the Budget

10. Jim Myers moved and Brian Gerstberger seconded to approve the 2017-18 budget for publication. Motion carried 7-0.

11. Pat Bishop and Lynda Goodrich left the meeting at this time.

Online Classes

12. Sara Brown discussed online classes for students in the high school that we do not currently have available to students. There were two students that used the online classes this summer. She proposed a change to the curriculum and student handbook that would allow approved classes that are available online through Southwest Plains, be paid by the student at a cost of \$125.00 and the district would cover the teacher fee of \$185.00. Discussion was held. Jim Myers moved and Brandon Whalen seconded to amend the student and curriculum handbook to reflect those changes. Motion carried 7-0.

Transportation Report

13. Director of Buildings and Grounds/Transportation, Ed Simon discussed the current school year transportation. Currently, the buses are inspected and ready for the school year. The bus drivers are ready to start their bus routes.

Maintenance Report

14. Director of Buildings and Grounds/Transportation, Ed Simon reported on the buildings and grounds. His staff has painted the parking lots. The heating and air units are currently working with a few minor issues, but he expects them to be fixed within the next week. School starts tomorrow and people are in the buildings.

Consideration of Purchasing a Bus

15. Director of Buildings and Grounds/Transportation, Ed Simon presented information on leasing and/or purchasing an activity bus. He had quotes from two companies. The board discussed the best options and Ed answered questions. Farrin Watt moved and Jason Koehn seconded to lease a Blue Bird Activity bus for five years. Motion carried 7-0.

District Exposure Control Plan.

16. Superintendent Higgins presented changes to the district Exposure Control Plan, implemented by district health nurse, Marvel Brandt. Brian Gerstberger moved and Brandon Whalen seconded

to approve changes as presented. Motion carried 7-0.

KASB Board Training

17. School Board member, Tammy Simons, presented information from the KASB Board training she received in Topeka on August 3, 2017. She said it was a full day of information and scenarios presented to school board members throughout the state of Kansas. She discussed and presented information on boardsmanship, executive session, and superintendent evaluations. She also discussed advocacy and communications within the school district.

Executive Session

18. At 9:02 p.m. Tammy Simons moved and Jason Koehn seconded to move into executive session for twenty minutes to discuss nonelected personnel matters to protect the privacy interests of the individual(s) to be discussed pursuant to non-elected personnel exception under KOMA with Mr. Higgins and Mr. Schmidt present, and the open meeting will resume in the board room at 9:22 p.m. Motion carried 7-0.

19. Sara Brown, Julie Conard, Haydon Parks, and Ed Simon left the meeting at this time.

20. At 9:22 p.m. the Board resumed regular session.

Cale Warden Movement on the Salary Schedule

21. Brandon Whalen moved and Jim Myers seconded to allow Cale Warden to move two (2) columns on the salary schedule due to extra college credit he has received. Motion carried 5-2.

Haydon Parks Movement on the Salary Schedule

22. Jason Koehn moved and Brian Gerstberger seconded to allow Haydon Parks to move two (2) columns on the salary schedule due to extra college credit he has received. Motion carried 7-0.

Approve Supplemental Assignments

23. Brian Gerstberger moved and Tom Ridder seconded to approve supplemental assignments presented to the Board. Motion carried 7-0.

Adjournment

24. Jim Myers officially adjourned the meeting at 9:30p.m.

Board of Education
Unified School District #467
Wichita County, Kansas

Jim Myers, President

Tammy Mason, Clerk of the Board

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