

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, October 9, 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; WCJSHS Principal, Delbert Schmidt; Athletic Director, Shad Mehl; and Guests: Nate Brown, Sara Brown, Diana Kirk, Deb Fairchild, Tori Koehn, Heather Price, Derek Meyer, Nikki Meyer, Brandy Marcy, Abbey Meyer, Quentin Koehn, Katelyn Price, and Faith Marcy.

Approved Consent Agenda

3. After the Pledge of Allegiance to the United States Flag, Jason Koehn moved and Brian Gerstberger seconded to approved the consent agenda consisting of:
 - A. Approval of the agenda for the meeting.
 - B. Minutes of the September 11, 2017 and September 19, 2017 meetings.
 - C. Payment of the bills.
 - D. Personnel Actions:
 1. Approve a resignation from Matt Huber, JH Asst. Boys Basketball Coach.
 2. Approve a resignation from Betsy Breitreutz, HS Science and Math teacher and bus driver effective at the end of the 2017-2018 school year.
 3. Approve winter coaching contracts as listed.
 - E. Accept donations from businesses and individuals to support student book purchases at the WCES Book Fair.
 - F. Accept a grant from the Wichita County Community Foundation of \$260 to Leslie Niswonger's yearbook and Janet Robertson's photo classes.Motion carried 7-0.

Appreciation of Betsy Breitkreutz

4. President, Jim Myers, and the board members agreed, that they would like to express their appreciation for the forty three years of service and dedication that Mrs. Breitkreutz has given to the Wichita County schools.

Mrs. Fairchild's Class

5. Students: Abbey Meyer, Quentin Koehn, Katelyn Price, and Faith Marcy of Mrs. Fairchild's second grade class, presented projects from their "Mystery Science". Mrs. Fairchild said the class has enjoyed working with their projects and demonstrated three different kinds of seeds that the students have been learning about.

Neighborhood Revitalization Plan

6. Wichita County Economic Director, Diana Kirk, presented the proposed amendments to the Neighborhood Revitalization Plan. Discussion was held. Tom Ridder moved and Brandon Whalen seconded to approve the amendments to the Neighborhood Revitalization Plan. Motion carried 7-0. Diana Kirk left the meeting at 7:12p.m.

Executive Session for Personnel

7. At 7:13 p.m. Brian Gerstberger moved and Tammy Simons seconded to move into executive session for 10 minutes to discuss non-elected 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 7:23 p.m. Motion carried 7-0.

Executive Session for Personnel

8. At 7:24 p.m. Brian Gerstberger moved and Farrin Watt seconded to move into executive session for 5 minutes to discuss non-elected 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, Mr. Schmidt, and Shad Mehl present, and the open meeting will resume in the board room at 7:29 p.m. Motion carried 7-0. Jim Myers and Shad Mehl left the meeting at 7:30 p.m.

Advisory Board Reports

- A. HPEC- Farrin Watt has not been able to attend.
- B. Wichita County Rec- Brian Gerstberger said they are wrapping up the fall little league sports and getting ready for the winter little league sports.
- C. USD 467 PDC- Tom Ridder attended the October PDC meeting. On the schedule is a Wellness Committee Meeting on October 13th, Inservice on October 13th with Gary Sechrist in the morning and a work day in the afternoon. There is a new accreditation system-KESA. There are two more inservice days scheduled during the school year.
- D. NW Kansas Tech College- Tammy Simons reported the Endowment Fundraiser is on October 21st for the college.
- E. Wichita County Economic Development- Brandon Whalen reported on the “Empty Buildings Tour” for interested community members. Also, the annual meeting is coming up in November. Diana Kirk has been teaching entrepreneurship classes at the high school.

Principals' Reports

- 9. WCJSHS Principal Schmidt has spoken with the Baptist Church, Christ Covenant, and Ed Simons about evacuation sites should the need arise. He listed the upcoming activities for the Jr/Sr high school. Athletic Director, Shad Mehl, and Mr. Schmidt will be attending a KSHSAA meeting in Topeka on November 19th regarding the schools placement in a league. The high school currently has six students taking CNA classes. Thirteen students have completed their community service projects.
- 10. WCES Principal Keith Higgins reported the first quarter for the school year will be completed on Thursday, October 12th. Parent/teacher conferences will be held next Tuesday and Thursday in the evenings. There will be no school Friday, October 13th due to a teacher inservice/work day. The staff at the elementary are discussing possible quarterly recognition for students to encourage positive behavior.

Superintendent's Report

- 11. Superintendent Higgins presented the budget update. He reviewed the current bills and utilities

usage for the school district. Gary Sechrist, KASB, will be at the district inservice on October 13 from 8:00a.m.-11:30a.m. The handicap bus is broke down. He and the Transportation Director are investigating what the best options will be for repairing or purchasing a new bus. At this point, it would not be cost effective to repair the current bus as it will only have two years of service left on it. Purchasing options are being reviewed at this time.

United States Flag

12. Brandon Whalen expressed concern about the United States flag not being raised prior to football games. Mr. Schmidt will look into the matter and resolve the issue.

Approval of Resolution 2018-10

13. Brian Gerstberger moved and Tammy Simons seconded to approve Resolution 2018-10, regarding signers on Western State Bank accounts. Motion carried 6-0.

KASB Convention

14. Mr. Higgins asked if anyone would be interested in being a voting delegate at the KASB convention in Wichita on December 1-3, 2017. There is no interest at this time.

Adjournment

15. Brandon Whalen officially adjourned the meeting at 8:15 p.m.

Board of Education
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Jim Myers, President

Tammy Mason, Clerk of the Board