

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 7:00 p.m., Monday, October 8, 2018 in Leoti.

People Present

2. Members present were: Brian Gerstberger, Jason Koehn, Tammy Simons, Brandon Whalen, Farrin Watt, and Josh Young.

Also present were: Superintendent, Keith Higgins; Clerk, Tammy Mason; WCES Principal, Lori Maxwell; and Guests: Leslie Niswonger, Sara Brown, Mark Fairchild, Matt Martin, Avah Martin, Cordell Brown, Vania Santillana, Elise Whalen, and David Gomez.

Approved Consent Agenda

1. Brandon Whalen called the meeting to order at 7:00p.m. After the Pledge of Allegiance to the United States flag, Farrin Watt moved and Brian Gerstberger seconded to approve the consent agenda consisting of:
 - A. Agenda for the meeting.
 - B. Minutes of the September 10, 2018 BOE meeting.
 - C. Payments of the bills and payroll.
 - D. Personnel Actions:
 1. Approve winter coaching contracts as listed.
 - E. Accept a donation of \$26,667.00 from BCBS for the district Workwell Kansas Worksite Wellness Pathway.
 - F. Accept a donation of \$1,799.00 from the Tribe Booster Club to athletics for the Hudl program.
 - G. Accept a donation of \$848.50 from Zoetis to the FFA program.
 - H. Approve disposal of surplus equipment from the district libraries.
 - I. Accept a donation of \$500.00 from the Wichita County Ministerial Alliance for the ESL program to purchase software.Motion passed 6-0.

FFA Creed

2. Eighth grade students Avah Martin, Elise Whalen, Cordell Brown, David Gomez, and Vania Santillana recited the FFA creed for the school board members. The Board thanked the students. Dr. Fairchild and students left at 7:05 p.m. Mr. Schmidt entered the meeting at 7:05 p.m.

Preschool Parenting Classes

3. Sara Brown reported on the preschool parenting classes taught by herself and Michelle Sheppard. There were ten families represented at the parenting classes at various times. Six families qualified for the voucher of one free month of preschool by attending six out of eight classes offered. They received positive feedback from the parents. Some suggestions were having a translator available and something that would help encourage more men to attend the classes. Sara and Michelle felt it went well and are hoping to have more classes in the future.

Pep Club Request

4. Leslie Niswonger gave an update on the possible pep club. They would like to have a definite go ahead on having the pep club and feel this will allow for fundraising and more opportunities for students to participate. The Board approved starting a Pep Club. They have had sign ups for attendance of the pep club bus, but have only had fifteen students at most sign up to attend. The requirement set forth had been twenty five. The Board agreed to allowing fifteen students as the minimum for a pep club bus, as long as the students raised the money. The Tribe Booster Club will meet on Sunday and discuss whether or not to allow the donations to run through their organization for the pep club. Mrs. Niswonger left the meeting at 7:30 p.m. Ed Simon entered the meeting at 7:32 p.m.

Advisory Board Reports

5. **HPEC**-Farrin Watt-has not been able to attend a meeting.
Rec-Brian Gerstberger-Shannon Kreutzer is the new Rec Director and is doing a good job. The Rec would like to thank the school district for the use of their facilities. They are finishing up football and volleyball sports and getting ready for basketball.

PDC-Jason Koehn-He attended the last PDC meeting and asked Mr. Higgins to explain the committee to the Board. Mr. Higgins explained the committee meets monthly to approve PDC points for teachers, IDP's for new teachers, and to plan inservices.

NWKTC-Josh Young-he has not been contacted about any meetings as of yet, but will find out more information.

Economic Development-Tammy Simons-Robin Tokoi and the daycare task force are actively seeking daycare options. The chili cook off will be November 2nd. Plans are being made for holidays and business promotions in Wichita County.

WCES Principal's Report

6. Mrs. Maxwell, WCES principal, presented updates on the grade school. The staff meeting will be tomorrow. Fire drill and lock-down drill scheduled for October. Parent/teacher conferences will be next week. Red Ribbon week is October 24 through October 31. Inservice will be on Friday.

WCJSHS Principal's Report

7. Mr. Schmidt, WCJSHS Principal, presented updates on the Junior/Senior high school. The Junior/Senior high school had it's first month of random drug testing. Fifteen students were randomly selected. The high school had a leadership luncheon with NHS, FFA, KAYS, and STUCO represented. Some of the discussion was about allowing open lunches, they liked having a student of the month, and discussed other issues. They typically only meet once a year but will probably meet more often. The student ineligibility has decreased significantly from last year. Forty two students have completed their community service requirements for the year. Board members commented on how great the band sounded at the football games and that Mrs. Lofstrom was doing an excellent job.

Superintendent Update

8. Mr. Higgins, Superintendent, gave an update on the district budget. The utilities were a little higher than usual in each building. The BCBS Physical Activity and Nutrition grants had been completed and were pending approval or corrections from Aimee Baker. Fitbits have been ordered and should be here this Thursday to pass out to staff. The Wellness

Committee will meet tomorrow. The Technology Committee will be meeting this Friday. Bike to School day for October 10th has been cancelled due to cold weather. The newspaper articles that he has written for the local newspaper are also available on the school website. Mr. Higgins will check into a flashing stop sign for crossing guards to help make pedestrians more aware of students crossing. Glassman's met last week about work needed in the district buildings. A budget from DCS was presented on work needed at the district buildings. A budget of concrete work from Terry Haines was also presented. Ed Simon left the meeting at 8:20 p.m.

Disposal of Chemistry Lab Outdated Supplies.

9. There are currently two bids for chemical disposal. A third company was contacted, but did not bid. Brian Gerstberger moved and Josh Young seconded to accept a bid from Clearharbors of \$5,612.85 to dispose of chemistry lab outdated supplies. Motion passed 6-0.

Video Surveillance Systems

10. Mr. Higgins presented pricing information on security cameras from Palace Computers and Verkada. After meeting with principals Maxwell and Schmidt, Mr. Higgins presented an outline of cameras the administrators felt were necessary to properly secure the district facilities. He felt Verkada's equipment offered better coverage at a reasonable price. Verkada offered an additional 5% discount if Board approved their bid by the end of the month. Josh Young moved and Tammy Simons seconded to purchase the Verkada video surveillance system at a cost of \$32,676.24. Motion passed 6-0. Ed Simons returned to the meeting at 8:55 p.m.

Consideration of joint meeting with City Council

11. Mr. Higgins Higgins was contacted by Mayor Cheryl Green to have a joint meeting between the City Council and School Board to discuss issues pertaining to parents driving down the public alley between Wyoming and Genesee streets after school is dismissed. After discussion, the Board decided a joint meeting with Mr. Higgins, Jim Myers, Cheryl Green, City Clerk, Randy Keeton, and Clay Oldham would be appropriate. Mr. Higgins will contact the above mentioned parties to set up a meeting.

Consideration of Naming a Voting Delegate to the KASB Convention

12. Mr. Higgins asked if anyone would like to be named a voting delegate for the KASB convention November 30th through December 2nd. There were no Board members that will be able to attend the convention.

Adjournment

13. Brandon Whalen officially adjourned the meeting at 9:18 p.m.

Brandon Whalen, Vice-President

Tammy Mason, Clerk of the Board

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