

REGULAR MEETING – March 9th, 2020

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The Board of Education of USD #511 met in regular session on Monday March 9th, 2020 and was called to order by President Rogena Grigsby at 6:00pm. Members present included Jolene Peterson, Tye McDaniel, Brett Traffas, Clay McDaniel, Shirley Barrett, and Roger Goodman. Guests present were Mary Ann Ricke and Amber Hilger. Also present was Superintendent Mike Sanders, Assistant Principal Brandie Waldschmidt, and Clerk of the Board Amie Loreg.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all in attendance.

President Rogena Grigsby recognized guests.

Goodman moved and Barrett seconded to amend the agenda to include C. Student Matters under Executive Sessions. 7-0, motion carried.

Goodman moved and Peterson seconded to adopt the agenda as amended. 7-0, motion carried.

Traffas moved and T McDaniel seconded to approve the consent agenda. 7-0, motion carried.

Mr. Sanders, Mrs. Waldschmidt, and school counselor Amber Hilger met with the board to discuss two possible scheduling options for next year. The two schedules were reviewed and discussed. Hilger left the meeting at 6:31pm.

Mary Ann Ricke, Food Service Director, met with the board to explain the 2020/2021 Wellness Policies for each of the three serving buildings. She discussed Wellness Committee meetings that had been held and highlighted that she would like to add some new things in the future. Ricke asked that the BOE review and approve these policies for the next school year. After discussion, Barrett moved and Goodman seconded to approve the 2020/2021 Wellness Policies as presented. 7-0, motion carried.

Ricke also met with the board to discuss Keystone, a food service company out of Oklahoma, which is currently being used by South Barber schools. Ricke has arranged to visit South Barber to try out a meal and talk with the staff and students about the changes and report back to the board. Mr. Sanders stated that in order to work with these types of food service companies the State of Kansas requires a bid process and procurement be completed. He worried that it may be too late for next year but he and the board remain open to looking at necessary information concerning Keystone to make an informed decision in the future. Ricke left the meeting at 6:47pm.

Reports:

Special Education - Mr. Sanders reported the SCKSEC Cooperative is looking at remodeling/renovation for the Haskins building at a cost between 2.1 and 2.6 million dollars. This would cause assessments to go up approximately 10%. He stated even with the raise in assessments the work is necessary for the building and the children that are being serviced there.

Curriculum - Mr. Sanders reported that KSDE is asking for input on lowering graduation requirements to 21. Attica currently requires 24. He stated it would result in students taking fewer elective classes.

PDC - Mr. Sanders reported staff will have their last Professional Development day in March where they will be discussing the ACT, the bond, & the bond process. There will also be Promethean Board training and discussion on KSDE's newly required dyslexia training for early education.

Technology - Mr. Sanders stated that the bond needs analysis committee has discussed possible updates necessary in the technology department.

Summer Recreation - It was reported that soccer will be starting soon.

Transportation - The board reviewed the transportation log and discussed recent issues with the charter bus including the fuel filter and wiring/electrical issues. It was decided the bus will be taken Mark Ricke at Medicine Lodge for necessary repairs. The cleanliness of the buses was also discussed as they are representing our school when they are taken to other districts.

Wellness Center - Goodman reported hearing of three possible leaks in the Wellness Center building. Mr. Sanders will look into it.

Unfinished Business:

Needs Analysis/Bond Update - A list of items compiled by the needs analysis committee was reviewed and discussed.

T McDaniel moved and Traffas seconded to approve the presented 2020/2021 school calendar. 7-0, motion carried.

Cooperative Football Meeting - A possible summer team camp was discussed. New uniforms are being purchased for the upcoming football season. The two that are being reviewed at 35 sets are from Under Armour for approximately \$12,000 and Nike for approximately \$13,000 with the total to be split in half with Argonia.

New Business:

Piper Sandler Information - A discussion on the timeline for the bond in conjunction with election dates was discussed.

Local School District Contribution Program - Mr. Sanders discussed the program which allows people to donate a portion of their refund to a chosen school district while doing their taxes.

Handouts on Kansas school districts who have received funds through this program were reviewed.

KASB Spring Regional Meeting - Members were given information on the upcoming meeting.

Long-term Sub Pay - Current policy: Long term subs will receive an increase in pay at 10 days from \$90 to \$100. Mr. Sanders questioned past practice on substitutes completing an entire semester. After discussion, it was decided if a certified teacher resigns/leaves at semester and the position is filled with a long-term substitute, they will be paid at the base pay rate as they are doing a full teaching position without the guidance a normal long term substitute receives from the classroom teacher.

Peterson moved and Goodman seconded to accept the resignation of Lance Vandever as High School Science Teacher, Athletic Director, High School Head Football Coach, High School Head Track Coach, Junior High Head Girls Basketball Coach, and Junior High School Head Track Coach effective at the end of the 2019/2020 school year. 7-0, motion carried. The board extended their gratitude to Mr. Vandever for his years of service and dedication to USD 511.

April Board Meeting - Mr. Sanders asked if April's regular board meeting could be moved from the 13th to the 15th because April 13th is Easter break. After discussion, it was decided to move April's regular board meeting to April 15th at 7pm.

Tax Appeal Update - Mr. Sanders reported that the tax appeal was approved for the three lots east of the school purchased earlier this year.

Board Comments - Goodman commented on lights being left on in the bathrooms in the evenings.

Administration - Mr. Sanders gave the board a hand out about the local option budget and informed them that they can increase the LOB from 30% to 33%. He stated that Conrade Insurance canceled their previously scheduled meeting and will now be meeting on March 13th. He asked the board's opinion of using the Wellness Center for eighth-grade promotion and high school graduation receptions. After the discussion, it was decided that classes can use the

building for these reception ceremonies without being charged. Discussions were held about the school's ability to communicate during electrical outages and playground use after school hours. Mrs. Waldschmidt discussed student-led conferences and stated that staff is going to create a procedure for these during their next professional development day. She also discussed with the board a handout on KESA data and presented an itinerary on behalf of the senior class asking permission for them to take their senior trip April 17th to the 20th to Texas which the board was okay with.

Traffas moved and T McDaniel seconded to go into executive session for 10 minutes to discuss negotiations pursuant to the negotiations matter exception, to protect the district's right to the confidentiality of its negotiation position and the public interest with Mr. Sanders, Mrs. Waldschmidt, and the board. 7-0, motion carried. Meeting to resume at 8:32pm.

Traffas moved and T McDaniel seconded to go into executive session for 20 minutes to discuss specific non elected individuals pursuant to the non elected personnel matter exception, to protect the privacy interests of an identifiable individual with Mr. Sanders, Mrs. Waldschmidt, and the board. 7-0, motion carried. Meeting to resume at 8:52. T McDaniel moved and Traffas seconded to extend the session 5 minutes. 7-0, motion carried. Meeting to resume at 8:57pm.

Goodman moved and C McDaniel seconded to go into executive session for 10 minutes to discuss specific students pursuant to the student matter exception, to protect the privacy interests of an identifiable individual with Mr. Sanders, Mrs. Waldschmidt, and the board. 7-0, motion carried. Meeting to resume at 9:07pm.

Barrett moved and T McDaniel seconded to adjourn. 7-0, motion carried. 9:12pm.

Meeting adjourned,

Amie Loreg
Clerk of the Board of Education 511