**REGULAR MEETING – December 13, 2021**

Minutes of the board meeting are not official until after approval at the next regularly scheduled board meeting.

The Board of Education of USD #511 met in regular session on Monday, December 13, 2021 and was called to order by President Jolene Peterson at 6:00pm. Members present included Brett Traffas, Tye McDaniel, and Roger Goodman. Guests present were Trisha Moritz, Megan McDaniel, and Heather Fly. Also present was Superintendent Mike Sanders, Principal Brandie Waldschmidt, and Clerk of the Board Amie Loreg.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all in attendance.

President Jolene Peterson recognized guests.

Goodman moved and McDaniel seconded to amend the agenda to include under New Business Action Item H. Accept Donation. 4-0, motion carried.

Traffas moved and McDaniel seconded to adopt the agenda. 4-0, motion carried.

Rogena Grigsby and Shirley Barrett entered at 6:06pm.

Traffas moved and Goodman seconded to approve the consent agenda, including the Budget Summary of Funds Comparison. 6-0, motion carried.

Special Education: A new director was hired at SCKSEC and a discussion was held about retention stipends paid for with ESSER funds and USD staff members who are employed by the cooperative.

Curriculum: Nothing

Professional Development: Minutes were reviewed from most recent meetings and upcoming PD days discussed.

Technology: Discussion about promethean boards was held. As some are aging and up for replacement it was questioned if it would be better to purchase smart TV’s for those who do not utilize all of the features of the panels.

Summer Rec: Biddy ball is starting in January.

Transportation: Mr. Sanders reported receiving the check for the suburban settlement. A discussion was held about necessity and ides for replacing it.

Budget Summary: Reviewed in consent items

Wellness Center: The door was discussed and Peterson mentioned that the board is looking to install a new magnetic system. She will get in contact with USD secretary, Mandy Traffas, about the company the school used and details.

Unfinished Business

McDaniel moved and Traffas seconded to approve Mya Deviney and Kendra Nelson for BARK Teacher Aids for the after school program. 6-0, motion carried.

Traffas moved and McDaniel seconded to approve Thomas Deviney for hire as a part time Maintenance Aid. 6-0, motion carried.

Goodman moved and Grigsby seconded to approve the Supplemental Coaching list as presented, removing Kristina Bramwell at her request from Junior High Track Assistant Coach and approving Carey McFann for the position. 6-0, motion carried.

New Business

Patterson Foundation Donation: Mr. Sanders reported that he was contacted by the foundation offering to donate funds, which he accepted.

EMC Dividend Check: Mr. Sanders reported that the USD received a dividend check from EMC.

KSDE Legal Max: The preliminary letter was reviewed.

ESSER III Application: Mr. Sanders reported that the funding for both ESSER and ESSER II funds was applied for and approved previously so ESSER III funds are remaining. A discussion was held and will be reviewed before the application process begins. Mr. Sanders noted to the BOE that this round of funds 20% is earmarked for loss of instruction.

Barrett moved and Grigsby seconded to approve the resignation of Mike Sanders as Superintendent of Schools and Elementary Principal, effective June 30th, 2022. 6-0, motion carried. The board thanked Mr. Sanders for his years of service. Mr. Sanders then extended thanks to the two outgoing BOE members, Tye McDaniel and Shirley Barrett, for their service to their community.

Traffas moved and Goodman seconded to approve hiring Brandie Waldschmidt for the Superintendent and Elementary Principal position, effective 2022/2023 school year. 6-0, motion carried.

Cooperative Football Meeting: The members met and discussed the 2021 Titan season.

Traffas moved and McDaniel seconded to accept a donation, earmarked for teacher’s classroom supplies, to be split evenly by grades K-5, from Doug Bramwell for a hosted golf tournament. 6-0, motion carried.

Board comments: Traffas asked the number needed for a quorum and to verify that administrators were held to the same executive session regulations as board members. It was determined 4 are necessary for a quorum and, yes, administration is held to the same rules/regulations where executive session is concerned. Traffas made clear the questions were the result of him being asked and not as the result of any issue.

Administration: Mr. Sanders reported that he asked Pratt Community College about paying more to rent the Auto Building based on the current figures being low per square feet. PCC stated that they were not able to pay a higher price right now with the purchases they have made for the program, totaling $123,603 since the program’s inception. The welding program and continued discussions about boundaries for colleges was discussed.

Mrs. Waldschmidt reported on where she is in the reprint process for the 2020/2021 yearbook. She stated that she would have a second proofreader view the book as well before sending it to print. She will also ask that this year’s copy has an additional proofreader as well, aside from those working on the book. Mrs. Waldschmidt reported that tryouts were posted for Yell Leaders after interest was shown. One person sought the opportunity so he will be an addition to the cheer team. She reported that Amber Hilger, Student Success Coordinator, would like seniors to being the process of creating digital portfolios. This would be a part of Advisory for them. Hilger would like this to be discussed as becoming a graduation requirement. A sample rubric was reviewed and discussion held. Mrs. Waldschmidt reiterated that this idea is in the beginning stages and will need more conversation and consideration before moving forward.

Traffas moved and Goodman seconded to go into executive session for 15 minutes to discuss negotiations pursuant to the negotiations matter exception, to protect the district’s right to the confidentially of its negotiation position and the public interest with Mr. Sanders, Mrs. Waldschmidt, and the board. 6-0, motion carried. Meeting to resume at 7:35pm.

Trisha Moritz, Megan McDaniel and Heather Fly left the meeting at 7:20pm.

McDaniel moved and Barrett seconded to adjourn. 6-0, motion carried. 7:40pm

Meeting adjourned,

Amie Loreg Clerk of the Board of Education 511