

Board of Education Minutes

UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT 511

Date: May 13, 2024

Time: 6:00pm

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Regular Board of Education Meeting

The board of education met in regular session on Monday, May 13, 2024 and was called to order by President Brett Traffas at 6:00 pm. Members in attendance were Trisha Moritz, Roger Goodman, Lynda Newberry, Heather Fly, Megan McDaniel, and Blaine Blackburn. Also in attendance were Superintendent Brandie Waldschmidt, Clerk of the Board, Mandy Traffas as well as Principal Wyatt Williams. Diana Robinson from Keystone was present via Zoom.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all those in attendance.

Diana Robinson from Keystone was available via Zoom to answer any questions the board may have about their contract to take over our food service program. Diana left the meeting at 6:13 pm.

Goodman motioned and Newberry seconded to amend the agenda to add "N-Graduation Time," and "O-Tree Ring". 7-0, motion carried.

Review of checks, cash summaries, and minutes. Moritz motioned and Newberry to adopt the agenda. 7-0, motion carried.

Athletic Department - Nothing to report

Special Education - SCKSEC is working on preliminary assessments for next year.

Curriculum - We are ordering 3rd-5th grade science curriculum, secondary didn't pilot any books so those will not be getting replaced this next year.

Technology - Ray has been working with SC Telcom on our speed issues and the new access points for wifi have been ordered.

Summer Recreation - Awaiting banners to come in for summer ball and they are working on a grant for some field updates.

Transportation/Maintenance - no updates

PDC Meeting - PDC handbook is being turned in this week to the state for approval.

SITE Council - The staff appreciation lunch today was a success.

Wellness Center - No updates.

High School Graduation Post Secondary Asset Addition - Discussed and approved adding the post-secondary asset list to the graduation requirements. Moritz motioned and Fly seconded. 7-0, motion carried.

Keystone Contract - Reviewed the projections and cost analysis of having Keystone fully take over our food service program. Moritz motioned and Goodman seconded to approve the contract to have Keystone take over our food service program entirely. 7-0, motion carried

Loyd Group Agreement - McDaniel motioned and Blackburn seconded to approve the Loyd Group agreement for the 23/24 audit. 7-0, motion carried.

MS Head Volleyball resignation - Newberry motioned and Moritz seconded to approve the resignation of Scotty McCartney as as head middle school volleyball coach. 7-0, motion carried.

FACS Teacher Resignation - Goodman motioned and Blackburn seconded to approve the resignation of Amber Wood as high school FACS teacher. 7-0, motion carried.

FACS Teacher Hire - Blackburn motioned and Moritz seconded to approve the hire of Tavia Hart as high school FACS teacher. 7-0, motion carried.

Head Volleyball Coach Hire - Newberry motioned and Fly seconded to hire Sammi Inman as head high school volleyball coach. 7-0, motion carried.

T2C Project Lead Hire - Moritz motioned and Blackburn seconded to hire Michelle Sullivan as T2C Project Lead. 7-0, motion carried.

Summer Help Hire - Discussion on summer workers.

SC KS Career Pathway MOU -1st Read - Reviewed the MOU for the shared automotive and welding programs with Medicine Lodge and Chaparral. There are going to be some changes to this agreement and will report back when more information is available.

T2C MOU - 1st Read - Reviewed the new agreement for the split with Chaparral for the T2C program lead, noting the split will change from 65/35% to 60/40%.

Classified Evaluation Form - Moritz motioned and Goodman seconded to approve the classified evaluation form with the intent to implement these evaluations to be completed yearly. 7-0, motion carried.

KSDE Accountability Report/KESA Update - Reviewed our accountability report from KSDE from 22-23. Talked about working to align the curriculum with standards and focus on our lows and how we can improve on them.

Offer on Lot - Newberry motioned and Goodman seconded to accept Roger McCreery's purchase offer of the lot east of the school by the practice field. 7-0, motion carried.

Graduation Time Change - Newberry motioned and Fly seconded to move high school graduation time to 4:00 pm instead of 2:00 pm. 7-0, motion carried.

Tree Ring Yearbooks - Moritz motioned and Newberry seconded to approve the use of Tree Ring for our yearbook provider after the contract with Jostens is complete. 7-0, motion carried.

Board Comments - Lynda Newberry asked about items purchased for welding remaining with the on-site program here, and Trisha Moritz inquired about a possible curriculum change for pre-k in the year following the next one.

Administrative Reports - Principal Williams discussed the busy year-end with prom, banquets, graduations, and closing out with regional and state track. A grant was received to be able to cover the cost of 40 seats of the referee clinic in hopes of encouraging those interested to take the classes and help with the official shortage the state is experiencing. Superintendent Waldschmidt talked about structured literacy and tracking requirements that will be coming down from the state. Some of our staff have already been doing the LETRS training which is quite time intensive. Due to the amount of time they've invested she would like to give them a \$1500 payment for completing this training and offer this same incentive for those that will take the training. The board was agreeable to this. The quote for the building-wide carpet cleaning was reviewed and the board was good with preceding with that much needed service. They also discussed her keeping her computer for some time in order to help with the new superintendent transition which the board was in agreeance with as well.

Blackburn motioned and Goodman seconded to go into executive session for 15 minutes with Superintendent Waldschmidt and Principal Williams to discuss personnel matters of nonelected personnel in order to protect the privacy interest of an individual. 7-0, motion carried. Meeting to resume at 8:05 pm.

Moritz motioned and Blackburn seconded to adjourn. 7-0, motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 8:06 pm.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Mandy Traffas', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Mandy Traffas
Clerk of the Board