

**MINUTES**  
**REGULAR BOARD MEETING**

*June 9, 2010*

President Kent Grieder called the Regular Meeting of the Southern Lyon County USD #252 Board of Education to order at 7:00 p.m., on Wednesday, June 9, 2010 at the Board of Education Office in Hartford, Kansas.

**ROLL CALL:**

**BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Kent Grieder, Kevin Flott, Jeanette Schmidt, Kenny Hamman, Craig Clark, and Charles Steffes

**BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT:**

Bill Veatch

**SUPERINTENDENT:**

Michael Argabright

**CLERK:**

Brenda Redeker

**VISITORS:**

Curtis Simons, Shane Clark, Penny Watson, Larry Owens, Mike Darbyshire, Kevin Darbyshire, Daniel Schneider, Kevin Wellnitz, Jenny Grieder, Dennis Darbyshire, Brian Creager, and Annette Ratzlaff present.

Superintendent Argabright added changes to the Agenda: additions to **Item 3. f.** Additional Transfer Students; pull **Item 3. h.** Certified/Licensed, Classified, Substitutes & Athletic Handbooks; and the addition of **Item 12. a.** KASB Recommendations for Policy Changes.

Kevin Flott (Kenny Hamman) moved to approve the Agenda with amendments as presented.  
Motion Passed. (6-0)

**CONSENT AGENDA**

- a. Approved Minutes from the May 12, 2010 Special Meeting and the May 12, 2010 Regular Meeting
- b. Approved Bills Due and Payable and Journal Entries
- c. Approved Payrolls for May 21, 2010 and June 4, 2010
- d. Approved Pledge Securities, Building Activity and Petty Cash Accounts
- e. Approved Resignations of: *Krista Russell*, Neosho Rapids Jr. High School Cheerleader Sponsor; *Daniel Erb*, Neosho Rapids Jr. High School Head Football Coach, Neosho Rapids Jr. High Head Boys Track Coach and the Assistant Hartford High School Girls Basketball Coach; *Yvonne Gardner*, Hartford High School Assistant Volleyball Coach; *Dustin McGuire*, District Golf Coach; and *Russell Medley*, Neosho Rapids Jr. High School Assistant Football Coach
- f. Approved Transfer Students for the 2010-11 School Year: ***Olpe Schools*** – *Diamond Logan, Dominic Loving, Kayley Peterson, Nolan Rhodes, Hayden Rhodes, Nathan Rhodes and Cameron Rich*; ***Hartford High School/Neosho Rapids Jr. High School*** – *Lauren Hinesley, Kristan*

*Hinesley, Ariel Jensen and Sebastian Kuhr*

- g. Approved Flint Hills Technical College Students for the 2010-11 School year – **Hartford Students:** *Matt Bridges – Automotive Technology; and Mike Payton – Construction Technology; Olpe Students:* *Austin Bass – Construction Technology; Glen Haag – Industrial engineering; Chance Mayer – Automotive Technology; and Tyler Williams – Construction Technology*
- i. Approved the Title I Report
- j. Approved the Request of Financial Assistance Form: SLCEF with regard to Pay-to-Play

Jeanette Schmidt (Kevin Flott) moved to approve the Consent Agenda with **Item 3 h. 2010-11 Certified/Licensed, Classified, Substitutes & Athletic Handbooks** pulled. Motion Passed. (6-0)

### **CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS PULLED FOR DISCUSSION**

Superintendent Argabright discussed some of the changes to the Certified/Licensed Handbook and the other changes were pending the outcome of Negotiations.

President Grieder (Kenny Hamman) moved to approve the Certified/Licensed, Classified, Substitute and Athletic/Activity Handbooks pending Board Policy changes and licensed/contractual staff agreements for the 2010-11 school year. Motion Passed. (6-0)

### **COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC**

*Brian Creager* – Olpe (representing a group of concerned patrons) – Commented that he has heard a lot of positive comments with regards to the extended school day of 20 minutes and school starting August 30<sup>th</sup> which is later than usual. They were both good ideas. He also complimented the Board on “staying the course” and thanked them for serving on the Board.

### **STRATEGIC PLAN & 2010-11 BOARD GOALS**

Superintendent Argabright presented information from the Administrative In-service with regards to the District Goals for the 2010-11 school year. After discussion, it was decided to think about the Goals and to revisit them at the July meeting. Superintendent Argabright will present the Transportation list at the July meeting with regards to Rotation Plans.

### **NEGOTIATIONS**

President Grieder (Kenny Hamman) moved to recess into executive session at 7:22 p.m. for 10 minutes to discuss negotiations in order to protect the public interest in negotiating a fair and equitable contract with the Board and Superintendent present. Motion Passed. (6-0)

Clerk Redeker, Curtis Simons, Shane Clark, Penny Watson, Larry Owens, Mike Darbyshire, Kevin Darbyshire, Daniel Schneider, Kevin Wellnitz, Jenny Grieder, Dennis Darbyshire, Brian Creager, and Annette Ratzlaff left the room.

At 7:32 p.m. President Grieder declared the meeting in open session with Clerk Redeker returning.

President Grieder (Kevin Flott) moved to recess into executive session at 7:33 p.m. for 10 minutes to discuss negotiations in order to protect the public interest in negotiating a fair and equitable contract with the Board and Superintendent present. Motion Passed. (6-0)

Clerk Redeker left the room.

At 7:43 p.m. President Grieder declared the meeting in open session with Clerk Redeker returning.

President Grieder (Craig Clark) moved to recess into executive session at 7:44 p.m. for 5 minutes to discuss negotiations in order to protect the public interest in negotiating a fair and equitable contract with the Board and Superintendent present. Motion Passed. (6-0)

Clerk Redeker left the room.

At 7:49 p.m. President Grieder declared the meeting in open session with Clerk Redeker, Curtis Simons, Shane Clark, Penny Watson, Larry Owens, Mike Darbyshire, Kevin Darbyshire, Daniel Schneider, Kevin Wellnitz, Jenny Grieder, Dennis Darbyshire, Brian Creager, and Annette Ratzlaff returning.

## **PERSONNEL**

Superintendent Argabright recommended to the Board to approve the Classified Letter of Employment for the 2010-11 school year.

Kevin Flott (Charles Steffes) moved to approve the Classified Letter of Employment to: *Lisa Brinkman, Tammy Wilson, Melody Nienstedt, Sally Pargman, Penny Watson, Sheila Duncan, Stacy Wolf, Bill Ballinger, Susan Howard, Rick Bridges, Betty Geiger, Clyde Wolford, Phyllis Krueger, Julie Kirby, Joni Givens, Shelley Stout, Marlene Baylor, Lorraine Zweimiller, Susie Burenheide, Donna Sleezer, Gil Gardner, Kathy Gardner, Roy Crawford, Bill Crawford, Diana Ballinger, Ken Redeker, Larry Bolz, Aimee Farr, Susan Swift, Shirley Langley and Karen Moorman* for the 2010-11 school year. Motion Passed. (6-0)

President Grieder (Kenny Hamman) moved to recess into executive session at 7:50 p.m. to discuss personnel matters of non-elected personnel in order to protect the privacy interests of the individuals to be discussed for 10 minutes with the Board and Superintendent present. Motion Passed. (6-0)

Clerk Redeker, Curtis Simons, Shane Clark, Penny Watson, Larry Owens, Mike Darbyshire, Kevin Darbyshire, Daniel Schneider, Kevin Wellnitz, Jenny Grieder, Dennis Darbyshire, Brian Creager, and Annette Ratzlaff left the room.

At 8:00 p.m. President Grieder declared the meeting in open session with Clerk Redeker returning.

President Grieder (Kevin Flott) moved to recess into executive session at 8:01 p.m. to discuss personnel matters of non-elected personnel in order to protect the privacy interests of the individuals to be discussed for 5 minutes with the Board and Superintendent present. Motion Passed. (6-0)

Clerk Redeker left the room.

At 8:06 p.m. President Grieder declared the meeting in open session with Clerk Redeker returning.

President Grieder (Craig Clark) moved to recess into executive session at 8:07 p.m. to discuss personnel matters of non-elected personnel in order to protect the privacy interests of the individuals to be discussed for 5 minutes with the Board and Superintendent present. Motion Passed. (6-0)

Clerk Redeker left the room.

At 8:12 p.m. President Grieder declared the meeting in open session with Clerk Redeker, Curtis Simons and Shane Clark returning.

Kevin Flott left the meeting at 8:12 p.m. and returned at 8:14 p.m.

President Grieder (Kenny Hamman) moved to recess into executive session at 8:15 p.m. to discuss personnel matters of non-elected personnel in order to protect the privacy interests of the individuals to be discussed for 5 minutes with the Board, Superintendent, Principal Simons and Principal Clark present.

Motion Passed. (6-0)

Clerk Redeker left the room.

At 8:20 p.m. President Grieder declared the meeting in open session with Clerk Redeker, Penny Watson, Larry Owens, Mike Darbyshire, Kevin Darbyshire, Daniel Schneider, Kevin Wellnitz, Jenny Grieder, Dennis Darbyshire, Brian Creager, and Annette Ratzlaff returning.

Principal Curtis Simons and Principal Shane Clark presented their recommendations for Supplemental Positions for the 2010-11 school year.

Kevin Flott (Charles Steffes) moved to approve Anne Otte as the Olpe High School Sophomore Class Sponsor for the 2010-11 school year. Motion Passed. (6-0)

Kevin Flott (Kenny Hamman) moved to approve Yvonne Gardner as the Neosho Rapids Jr. High School Head Volleyball Coach for the 2010-11 school year. Motion Passed. (6-0)

Kevin Flott (Kenny Hamman) moved to approve Eric Holmes as the Neosho Rapids Jr. High School Head Football Coach for the 2010-11 school year. Motion Passed. (6-0)

Kevin Flott (Kenny Hamman) moved to approve Patrick Gardner as the Neosho Rapids Jr. High School Head Boy's Track Coach for the 2010-11 school year. Motion Passed. (6-0)

Kevin Flott (Kenny Hamman) moved to approve Dana Cole and Kristen Herrick as the Neosho Rapids Jr. High School Co-Cheerleader Sponsors for the 2010-11 school year. Motion Passed. (6-0)

Kevin Flott (Kenny Hamman) moved to approve Rebecca Surmeier as the Hartford High School Forensics Coach for the 2010-11 school year. Motion Passed. (6-0)

Kevin Flott (Kenny Hamman) moved to approve Stephanie Dall as the Hartford High School Assistant Volleyball Coach for the 2010-11 school year. Motion Passed. (6-0)

Kevin Flott (Kenny Hamman) moved to approve Kelly Farr as the Neosho Rapids Jr. High School Assistant Boys Basketball Coach for the 2010-11 school year. Motion Passed. (6-0)

Craig Clark (Kenny Hamman) moved to approve Kelly Farr as the Hartford High School Assistant Boys Basketball Coach for the 2010-11 school year. Motion Passed. (6-0)

### **SLCEF CURTAIN PROJECT**

Superintendent Argabright introduced Dan Schneider and Larry Owens from the Southern Lyon County Education Foundation Board of Directors who attended the meeting to present the Board with a donation in the amount of \$18,724.00 for Stage Curtains for Hartford High School and Olpe High School. Dan Schneider explained previous items donated to the schools from the Foundation and thanked all those who donated to the Stage Curtain Fund Raiser.

Charles Steffes (Kevin Flott) moved to accept the donation of \$18,724.00 from the SLCEF Board of Directors to purchase stage curtains for the Hartford and Olpe High Schools. Motion Passed. (6-0)

Superintendent Argabright presented a bid to purchase and install stage curtains at both High Schools.

Jeanette Schmidt (Kevin Flott) moved to approve the bid from Allied Theatre Crafts, Inc. in the amount of \$18,724.00 to purchase and install stage curtains for Hartford High School and Olpe High School. Motion Passed. (6-0)

## **FACILITIES**

Superintendent Argabright announced that the Grand Opening Ceremony for the Hartford High School Concessions/Locker Room Project will be Friday, August 27, 2010 at 6:00 p.m. with a Student Council cookout and dedication before the scrimmage football game.

Rick Bridges updated the Board on the progress of the Hartford High School Concessions/Locker Room Project. The project is moving “right along” with the electricity, plumbing in place and ready for brick and siding. Jeff Hogan will install the sewer lines. Rick Bridges thanked Shane Preeo, Gage Preeo, Dale Baysinger, Bill Veatch and Kyle and Dana Cole for all their volunteer help with the project.

Superintendent Argabright presented HVAC Bids for the project to the Board.

Jeanette Schmidt (Craig Clark) moved to approve the Bid from Stever Heating & Cooling in the amount of \$9,200.00 for the HVAC system at the HHS Concessions/Locker Room Project. Motion Passed. (6-0)

Additional Bids were gathered for Summer projects as requested at the May meeting.

Jeanette Schmidt (Kevin Flott) moved to approve the Bid from AAA Glass in the amount of \$11,266.00 for the Olpe Elementary School entrance doors. Motion Passed. (6-0)

Kevin Flott (Charles Steffes) moved to approve the Bid from Richard Prock of Quality Masonry in the amount of \$701.20 to repair the tuck points on brick at the Olpe Cafeteria. Motion Passed. (6-0)

Kevin Flott (Craig Clark) moved to approve Ed Patterson for the District Guttering Repairs. Discussion was held on the Guttering as some of the members wanted more specifications on the guttering material to be used. Kevin Flott rescinded the motion. Clarification on materials for the guttering will be submitted for the next meeting.

Fire Marshal Plan of Corrections has been approved.

Superintendent Argabright discussed the need for fire proof safes for both the High Schools to secure student records and transcripts. Estimated costs are approximately \$1,600.00 each. Craig Clark will check into possible surplus fire proof filing cabinets.

A donation of \$26,347.19 has been pledged from the Lorretto Langley Trust to purchase new bleachers for the Olpe High School old gym.

Charles Steffes (Craig Clark) moved to authorize Superintendent Argabright to secure bids to replace the bleachers in the old gym at the Olpe High School. Motion Passed. (6-0)

The Promethean Boards have been installed and the installation went fairly well. Haddock Corporation will

be back to make adjustments on alignment of the Boards and to install one Board that was reorder because it was damaged in shipping.

Superintendent Argabright thanked Gary Redeker for the discount per load on dirt and for donating three loads of dirt for the Olpe Football Field.

President Grieder (Kenny Hamman) moved to recess into executive session at 9:00 p.m. to have preliminary discussions about the acquisition of real property in order to protect the public interest in obtaining the property at a fair price to be discussed for 10 minutes with the Board and Superintendent present.

Motion Passed. (6-0)

Clerk Redeker, Curtis Simons, Shane Clark, Penny Watson, Larry Owens, Mike Darbyshire, Kevin Darbyshire, Daniel Schneider, Kevin Wellnitz, Jenny Grieder, Dennis Darbyshire, Brian Creager, and Annette Ratzlaff left the room.

Larry Owens, Daniel Schneider, Annette Ratzlaff and Curtis Simons left the meeting at 9:00 p.m.

At 9:10 p.m. President Grieder declared the meeting in open session with Clerk Redeker, Shane Clark, Penny Watson, Mike Darbyshire, Kevin Darbyshire, Kevin Wellnitz, Jenny Grieder, Dennis Darbyshire and Brian Creager returning.

#### **DATE OF THE JULY MEETING & 2010-11 MEETING DATES**

Superintendent Argabright asked the Board if they wanted to keep Wednesday nights as our Board meeting nights. Superintendent will plan on Wednesdays as he prepares Board meeting dates for the July meeting.

Superintendent Argabright suggested Wednesday, July 14, 2010 at 7:00 p.m. for the July meeting date.

Kevin Flott (Jeanette Schmidt) moved to approve Wednesday, July 14, 2010 at 7:00 p.m. at the Central Office, Board of Education meeting room for the July meeting date. Motion Passed. (6-0)

A suggestion from Superintendent Argabright of using the Google Calendar on the District Website to allow for the constant updates that are needed for the District Calendars was made. No comments were made on using the Google Calendar at this time.

#### **KASB STUDENT ACCIDENT INSURANCE RENEWAL**

Superintendent Argabright presented student accident insurance renewal premiums. Prices have increased from last year. District's cost last year was 100% UCR with a cost of \$6,525.66.

Jeanette Schmidt (Charles Steffes) moved to approve the renewal of KASB Student Accident Insurance for the 2010-11 school year at a cost of \$8,215.00 and an 80% UCR. Motion Passed. (6-0)

#### **12 a. KASB RECOMMENDATIONS FOR POLICY CHANGES**

Superintendent Argabright went through the Policy changes with the Board that was recommended by KASB.

Jeanette Schmidt (Kenny Hamman) moved to adopted the KASB recommended Policy changes for the 2010-11 school year. Motion Passed. (6-0)

## **FINANCIAL REPORTS & CAPITAL OUTLAY REPORT**

Superintendent Argabright explained the financial reports to the Board and the year end transfers that will be made if funds allow.

Kenny Hamman (Charles Steffes) moved to approve the Financial Reports as presented.  
Motion Passed. (6-0)

Superintendent Argabright also presented the Capital Outlay Report and asked the Board for their input on the Rotation Plans with regards to the Strategic Plan. Maintaining the roof repairs was the main concern from the Board and to wait and see what the State does next legislative session and what the District Budget looks like next year.

Kenny Hamman (Kevin Flott) moved to approve the Capital Outlay Report as presented.  
Motion Passed. (6-0)

Kevin Flott (Kenny Hamman) moved to authorize the Board Clerk to make any necessary transfers, as allowed by law, to the Food Service Fund, Contingency Fund, Special Education Fund, Driver's Education Fund, Vocational Fund and Capital Outlay Fund and to pay bills from the unencumbered cash balance of the General Fund and Supplemental General Fund monies as of June 30<sup>th</sup>, 2010 and not to exceed budget expenditures as set by Kansas Law. Motion Passed. (6-0)

Superintendent Argabright presented an updated 2010-11 Action Items Report and Enrollment Projections for the 2010-11 school year.

## **SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT**

Superintendent Argabright reported on the recent Administrative In-Service. It was very valuable time spent together to set goals for next year. It went very well.

Board members were invited to attend the New Board Member Workshop – July 13<sup>th</sup> and the Board's President's Workshop – August 4<sup>th</sup>, held at KASB in Topeka.

Congratulations to the State Golf and State Track participants. They did a great job and we are proud of them and their coaches.

On the Consent Agenda for the July meeting, we will try to add any annual approvals that we can.

A representative from the Hopkins Foundation visited with the Administration in regards to participating in awards presented to nominated Certified and Classified staff members.

The shared transportation with Hamilton and Madison for Special Ed and Voc Ed students worked well this past year saving the District a lot of money. Hopefully we can continued the shared transportation if schedules allow.

## **BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS**

Congratulations to the State Track participants and coaches and to the Olpe Girls for winning 1<sup>st</sup> in the State. The end of the school year went very well and congratulations to the students for all their academic and athletic accomplishments. Very pleased with all the class offering we have for our students and would like to see a bigger emphasis on scholarships for our seniors. A big thank you to the Southern Lyon County

Education Foundation for all their support to our District and the wonderful fund raiser to purchase stage curtains for our high schools. It is very much appreciated.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Kenny Hamman (Charles Steffes) moved to adjourn the meeting. Motion Passed. (6-0)

The meeting adjourned at 10:06 p.m.

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Kent Grieder, *President*

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Brenda J. Redeker, *Clerk*

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