

MINUTES

REGULAR BOARD MEETING

October 14, 2009

President Kent Grieder called the Regular Meeting of the Southern Lyon County USD #252 Board of Education to order at 8:00 a.m., on Wednesday, October 14, 2009 at the Board of Education Office in Hartford, Kansas.

ROLL CALL:

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

Kent Grieder, Bill Veatch, Kevin Flott, Kenny Hamman and Jeanette Schmidt

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT:

Craig Clark and Charles Steffes

SUPERINTENDENT:

Michael Argabright

CLERK:

Brenda Redeker and Haley Rhoads, Deputy Clerk

VISITORS:

Curtis Simons, Bill Warner, Shane Clark, Rick Bridges, Bill Ballinger and Bob Burenheide

Kevin Flott (Bill Veatch) moved to approve the Agenda as presented with an addition of Item 5a. Review of In-service McReil Walk-Through presented by Principal Clark. Motion Passed. (5-0)

CONSENT AGENDA

- a. Approved the Minutes from the September 9, 2009 Regular Meeting and September 22, 2009 Special Meeting
- b. Approved Bills Due and Payable, Journal Entries and Pledge Securities
- c. Approved Payrolls for September 11, 2009, September 25, 2009 and October 9, 2009
- d. Approved the Financial Reports
- e. Approved Pest Control Service Renewal with Flint Hills Pest Control
- f. Approved Transfer Students for the 2009-10 school year: **Neosho Rapids Jr./Sr. High** – *Derrik Goza, Susan Wilson*; **Neosho Rapids Elementary** – *Robert Goza, Samantha Goza, Wyatt Miller-Dakota, Avery Miller-Dakota and Noah Miller-Dakota*
- g. Approved Substitute and Emergency Substitute Teachers for the 2009-10 school year – *Marci Samuels and Cybill Coates*
- h. Approved Old Cafeteria tables at Olpe Schools to be donated to the Olpe Volunteer Fire Department
- i. Approved Resignation – *Joey Hallacy* – Neosho Rapids Assistant Basketball Coach for the 2009-10 school year
- j. Approved Contracts for Signature for the 2009-10 school year – **Supplemental Contracts:** *Jessica Hess and Raysha Zweimiller*
- k. Approved the Mentor Teacher Program for the second year – *The second year of our Mentor Teacher Program has been further developed and specified with recommended additions from*

Superintendent Argabright and Building Principals as presented.

1. *Approved Personnel – Approved T.J. (Trey) Edwards at minimum wage of \$7.25 per hour for custodial and maintenance responsibilities under the supervision of Rick Bridges for 2-3 days per week after school starting immediately. Trey’s responsibilities include worksite assistance and assistance cleaning areas at the High School while Rick is at the worksite.*

Jeanette Schmidt (Kevin Flott) moved to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Motion Passed. (5-0)

CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS PULLED FOR DISCUSSION

None

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

None

5 a. McRELL WALK-THROUGH TRAINING

Principal Shane Clark gave the Board a report on the In-service McRell Walk-Through that Superintendent Argabright and Building Principals have been performing within the schools. Electronic palms are used to collect and monitor data with regards to the research based teaching strategies for 3 to 5 minutes in each classroom. Teachers will begin a bookstudy at future in-services with regards to effective research based teaching strategies.

Kyle Trendel arrived at the meeting 8:03 a.m.

PERSONNEL

President Grieder (Bill Veatch) moved to recess into executive session at 8:05 a.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. (5-0)

Clerk Redeker, Haley Rhoads, Curtis Simons, Bill Warner, Shane Clark, Rick Bridges, Bill Ballinger, Bob Burenheide and Kyle Trendel left the room.

Charles Steffes arrived at the meeting at 8:06 a.m.

At 8:15 a.m. President Grieder declared the meeting in open session with Clerk Redeker returning.

President Grieder (Bill Veatch) moved to recess into executive session at 8:16 a.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. (5-0)

Clerk Redeker left the room.

At 8:21 a.m. President Grieder declared the meeting in open session with Clerk Redeker returning.

President Grieder (Bill Veatch) moved to recess into executive session at 8:22 a.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. (5-0)

Clerk Redeker left the room.

At 8:27 a.m. President Grieder declared the meeting in open session with Clerk Redeker returning.

President Grieder (Bill Veatch) moved to recess into executive session at 8:28 a.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. (5-0)

Clerk Redeker left the room.

At 8:33 a.m. President Grieder declared the meeting in open session with Clerk Redeker returning.

President Grieder (Bill Veatch) moved to recess into executive session at 8:34 a.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. (5-0)

Clerk Redeker left the room.

At 8:39 a.m. President Grieder declared the meeting in open session with Clerk Redeker, Haley Rhoads, Curtis Simons, Bill Warner, Shane Clark, Rick Bridges, Bill Ballinger, Bob Burenheide, Kyle Trendel and Charles Steffes returning.

Bill Veatch (Kenny Hamman) moved to approve Chuck Ewy as the Neosho Rapids Jr. High Assistant Boys Basketball Coach for the 2009-10 school year. Motion Passed. (6-0)

President Grieder (Jeanette Schmidt) moved to open and hire for the position of Neosho Rapids Jr. High Head Girls Basketball Coach for the 2009-10 school year. Motion Passed. (5-1) with Kenny Hamman opposing.

Superintendent Argabright reported that Megan McGuire passed her exam to be Highly Qualified in teaching History and Government.

FACILITIES REPORT

Results from the HVAC Bid Opening held on October 8, 2009 at 9:00 a.m. were discussed and recommendations from Bill Ballinger, District Maintenance Director included installation completed by District employees.

Charles Steffes (Kevin Flott) moved to approve the Bids totaling \$21,740.00 from Modern Air Conditioning for the Hartford High School Heat Exchangers. Motion Passed. (6-0)

Bob Burenheide left the meeting at 8:51 a.m.

Rick Bridges supervisor for the project presented a handout with updates on the Hartford High School Concession/Locker Room construction project and information from the Bid Opening held October 8, 2009 at 9:18 a.m. with regards to the electrical materials/supplies for the project. Rick Bridges recommended removing Lights and Panels from both Bids and to review the plans for these items after construction has started.

Jeanette Schmidt (Kevin Flott) moved to approve the low Bid of \$3625.68 from Stanion Electric for the Electrical materials/supplies for the HHS Concession/Locker Room Project excluding the lights and panels. Motion Passed. (6-0)

Bill Veatch removed himself from the Board table.

Kyle Trendel, project architect was present to discuss the Bids from the Bid Opening held on October 6, 2009 at 8:30 a.m. for the Olpe Storage Building Turnkey project.

Bill Veatch left the meeting at 9:20 a.m.

Charles Steffes (Kenny Hamman) moved to approve the low Bid of \$29,264.76 from Doug Schmidt for the Olpe Storage Building Turnkey Project. Motion Passed. (5-0)

Bill Veatch returned to the meeting at 9:24 a.m.

Kyle Trendel left the meeting at 9:24 a.m.

Bus #24, Bus #30, Weight Room Equipment, two Kitchen Ovens, Drill Press and possibly other items were recommended by Superintendent Argabright to be listed on the Purplewave Auction Service.

Kevin Flott (Bill Veatch) approved the Items as presented to be placed on the Purplewave Auction. Motion Passed. (6-0)

Bill Ballinger provided updates on projects throughout the District and would explain in detail and answer questions during the Facility Tour.

Playground fencing for a playground area at Olpe Elementary was discussed and will be put on hold until the adjoining property owner was available to discuss the fencing with Superintendent Argabright.

Curtis Simons left the meeting at 9:38 a.m.

Expense spreadsheets for the two construction projects were presented to keep the Board updated.

RTI Roofing information on the Olpe 96 Addition was discussed and since no leaking is evident, Superintendent Argabright recommended not committing to the roofing project at this time.

A list of custodial and maintenance equipment requests with pricing were presented.

Jeanette Schmidt (Bill Veatch) moved to approve the equipment requests as presented at a total cost of \$12,611.71. Motion Passed. (6-0)

Superintendent Argabright and Bill Ballinger checked into purchasing a used Scissors Lift from White Star that would be used district wide. Board members suggested checking into leasing one with the option of purchasing.

Updating the telephone, intercom and bell system was discussed.

Curtis Simons returned to the meeting at 9:58 a.m.

At 10:01 a.m. Bill Veatch (Jeanette Schmidt) moved to take a short break.

Curtis Simons and Shane Clark left the meeting at 10:01 a.m. Motion Passed. (6-0)

Meeting resumed at 10:07 a.m.

SLCEF (Southern Lyon County Education Foundation)

Superintendent Argabright reported that the SLCEF has requested a project from the District and he recommended Stage Curtain repair or replacements at Hartford and Olpe to work towards.

Jeanette Schmidt (Kevin Flott) moved to request replacing the Stage Curtains at Hartford and Olpe for the SLCEF project. Motion Passed. (6-0)

SFFF (Schools For Fair Funding)

Due to declining enrollment and state cuts within the Budget, Superintendent Argabright presented information regarding the possibility of USD #252 participating in *Schools For Fair Funding* Program to hopefully keep what we have and gain adequate and equitable funding for schools. The fee for joining is based on \$2.00 per student.

Bill Veatch (Kenny Hamman) moved to approve and join the SFFF (Schools For Fair Funding) Program as presented. Motion Passed. (6-0)

KASB State Convention will be held the first weekend in December. With all the last minute state budget cuts, it was mentioned to send a letter to KASB in regards to flexibility with bylaws and policies affecting staff renewal dates.

STRATEGIC PLAN: ACADEMIC CLASS SIZE PLANNING

Superintendent Argabright and Principal Bill Warner presented information on class size planning for the future due to declining enrollment. Pre-planning is needed to allow time to think about the situations, set guidelines based on numbers with emphasis on maintaining programs within the District. The Board was asked to bring ideas to the table at the November meeting.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Superintendent Argabright thanked Deb Kuhlmann, District Nurse for organizing the Flu Shots for our communities. It was reported that Hartford gave 59 Flu Shots; Neosho Rapids gave 13 Flu Shots; and Olpe gave 145 Flu Shots.

Amy Thomsen of Hartford High School will be running for State Historian in Future Business Leader of America. This position takes pictures at all events and helps the State Editor with the Future Business Leaders of America's Scrapbook.

Congratulations was given to Students and Staff for receiving Standard of Excellence in Reading and Math, best of luck to all post season teams and special thanks to Ms. Jane Kelley and the Hartford FBLA students for providing breakfast for the board meeting and a thank you in advance to the Hartford Kitchen Staff for serving lunch to the Board members during the Facility Tour.

Superintendent Argabright mentioned that the Central Office Staff has been cross training within their jobs.

President Grieder provided information that should have been presented under Personnel. Evaluations for the Superintendent were given to Board members with the request to be returned to President Grieder by November 2nd to allow time to compile data to one Evaluation form for the November 11th Board of Education meeting.

BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS

President Grieder thanked other Board members for taking the time from their jobs to attend the meeting. President Grieder will be providing some KASB in-service information to the Board members for the November meeting. A thank you letter for the opportunity to provide materials for the Hartford High School Concessions/Locker Room project was read from Trendel Lumber Company. Good luck to Amy Thomsen was expressed and thanks and appreciation was given to Ms. Jane Kelley and the Hartford FBLA Students for providing breakfast and to the Hartford Cooks for serving lunch. Congratulations to students on the State Assessments and glad to see progress on the Hartford High School Concessions/Locker Room project.

FACILITY TOUR

The Facility Tour started at 10:40 a.m. with the Hartford High School Football Field and the progress on the Concessions/Locker Room project; then to the Hartford High School buildings at 10:55 a.m. Lunch was served at the Hartford High School.

Bill Veatch and Kevin Flott left the meeting at 11:32 a.m.

The meeting resumed at Neosho Rapids at 11:43 a.m. starting with the old high school building followed by classroom tours of the Elementary School.

Olpe Elementary School was toured by classrooms starting at 12:50 p.m. followed by updates of summer projects starting with the Olpe Elementary drainage project with information provided by Bill Ballinger.

At 1:12 p.m. the Olpe High School Shop and Weight Room were toured; the site for the Olpe Storage Building was pointed out; tour of the old gym with the stage curtains in need of repair; followed by the tour of the computer lab and other classrooms.

ADJOURNMENT

Jeanette Schmidt (Kenny Hamman) moved to adjourn the meeting. Motion Passed. (4-0)

The meeting adjourned at 1:40 p.m.

Kent Grieder, *President*

Date

Brenda J. Redeker, *Clerk*

Date

Haley Rhoads, *Deputy Clerk*

Date