



Unified School District 232

De Soto – Shawnee – Lenexa – Olathe

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USD 232 BOARD OF EDUCATION

OFFICIAL MINUTES --REGULAR MEETING

Administrative Office (35200 West 91st Street, De Soto, KS)

January 13, 2020

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by the Board President, Danielle Heikes. A quorum of the Board was present. Attendance was as follows:

Board Members Present: Rick Amos
Bill Fletcher
John Gagnat
Danielle Heikes
Stephanie Makalous
Ashley Spaulding
Rachele Zade

Others Present: Debbie Atwell, Facilities Coordinator
Jolyn Baldner, Director of Student Nutrition
Alvie Cater, Assistant Superintendent of Administrative & Educational Services
Steve Deghand, Director of Facilities
Wendy Denham, Board Clerk/Executive Assistant to the Superintendent
Kristel Fulcher, Principal, Prairie Ridge Elementary School
Carrie Handy, Director of Human Resources/Elementary
Melissa Hansen, Principal, Monticello Trails Middle School
Dr. Frank Harwood, Superintendent of Schools
Michelle Hite, Director of School Improvement
Dr. Joe Kelly, Director of Curriculum & Instruction
Brandon Riffel, Director of Technology
Sam Ruff, Principal, De Soto High School
Dr. Ceresa Schaeffer, Secondary Curriculum Coordinator
Brian Schwanz, Director of Human Resources/Secondary

Alvie Cater led attendees in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance. He then welcomed new board members Stephanie Makalous, Ashley Spaulding and Rick Amos and briefly explained how the meeting will progress from one agenda item to the next.

President Heikes asked if there were any changes to the Agenda or Consent Agenda. Bill Fletcher asked to remove check numbers 50212 and 50398 from Consent Agenda item "C. Approve payment of bills and transfer of funds (if appropriate)" for approval separately.

Mrs. Rachele Zade moved to adopt the Agenda and approve the Consent Agenda as amended.

Mrs. Stephanie Makalous seconded.

Carried 7/0.

The following Consent Agenda items were approved:

1. Minutes of the December 2nd regular meeting.
2. Payment of bills and issuance of checks numbered 50176 – 50211, 50213 – 50244, 50248 – 50317, 50325 – 50338, 50340 - 50397 and 50399 – 50463.
3. Transfer of funds as follows:
 - a. \$770,000.00 from General (Fund 06) to Special Education (Fund 30)
 - b. \$4,000.00 from LOB (Fund 08) to State Pre-K (Fund 11)
 - c. \$221,000.00 from LOB (Fund 08) to At-Risk K-12 (Fund 13)
 - d. \$33,000.00 from LOB (Fund 08) to Bi-Lingual (Fund 14)
 - e. \$7,000.00 from LOB (Fund 08) to Driver's Education (Fund 18)
 - f. \$197,000.00 from LOB (Fund 08) to Vocational Education (Fund 34)
4. Personnel recommendations as follows:

Resignations – Classified

Jennifer Chisolm, Lunchroom Supervisor, ME

Missy Kelford, Student Nutrition Assistant, CCE

Employment – Classified

Joshua Brown, School Psych. Paraprofessional, Districtwide

Megan Brown, School Psych. Paraprofessional, Districtwide

Monica Camacho, Evening Custodian, DHS

Ashlee Cronkright, Center Based Paraprofessional, ME

Stephanie Elliott-Nino, Student Nutrition Assistant, DHS

Jason Gilbert, Substitute Paraprofessional, Districtwide

Mickaela Hoffpauir, Center Based Paraprofessional, The Bridge

Asyence Hopper, Student Nutrition Assistant, LTMS

Kelli Keeler, 0.5 FTE Reading Aide, CCE

Janice Kresin, Student Nutrition Assistant, RE

Harry LaMar, Rule 10 Assistant Wrestling Coach, DHS

Danielle McCulley, Paraprofessional, CCE

Lexie Myers, Paraprofessional, PRE

Sarah Ownes, Paraprofessional, MTMS

Valerie Portillo-Marquez, Substitute Custodian, Districtwide

Brenda Tibbits, Substitute Student Nutrition Assistant, Districtwide

Kelly Timmons, Center Based Paraprofessional, The Bridge

Carleigh Whitman, Substitute Building Secretary, MCMS

Delany Wise, Center Based Paraprofessional, The Bridge
Julie Zitlow, District Materials Assistant, District Warehouse

Retirements – Certified *(At the conclusion of the 2019-20 school year.)*

Toni Cook, Physical Education Teacher, SE

Debra Hallier, Media Specialist, RE

Connie Henderson, Special Education Teacher, MVHS

Donna Rhodes, English Language Arts, DHS

Andy Shelly, Media Specialist, MVHS

Carmen Shelly, Gifted Facilitator, MVHS

5. The Independent Auditor Contract with Karlin & Long, LLC for fiscal year 2020 at a rate of \$11,550.00.
6. A bid from Meyer Music in the amount of \$109,379.10 for musical instruments and a bid from Music & Arts in the amount of \$25,411.05 for musical instruments. *(A list of instruments purchased is attached to these minutes.)*
7. Purchase of two (2) new Ford Minivans from Shawnee Mission Ford in the amount of \$49,994.00.
8. Purchase of two (2) new 2500 Extended Cargo Work Vans from Ed Bozarth in the amount of \$65,470.00.
9. A bid from Treadwell in the amount of \$339,529.00 for completion of resinous flooring projects at the Administrative Office, Clear Creek Elementary, Mize Elementary and Starside Elementary.
10. Renewal of Proofpoint licensing with CDWG in the amount of \$54,054.00 for a three-year term.
11. Acceptance of a donation in the amount of \$500.00 from the Hunt Family Foundation to the Mill Valley High School Football program.
12. Start-up of the Tri-M Music Honor Society for students at Mill Valley High School.
13. Declaration of the following De Soto High School Wrestling apparel items as surplus: six (6) pairs of Rennock green pants, nine (9) Holloway hoodies, twenty-four (24) pairs of Badger green shorts, ten (10) pairs of Augusata black pants, ten (10) Holloway V-neck pullovers and twenty-one (21) pairs of Holloway nylon pants.
14. The following extended day trips:
 - Mill Valley High School Cheer, Grades 9-12, compete in the NCA High School Cheer Nationals, Dallas, TX, January 31 – February 3, 2020.
 - Mill Valley High School DECA, Grades 10-12, participate in DECA State Competition, Kansas State University, Manhattan, KS, March 1-3, 2020.
 - De Soto High School Band & Choir, Grades 9-12, perform at Disney World & Universal Studios, Orlando, FL, March 12-18, 2020.
 - Mill Valley High School Baseball, Grades 9-12, participate in the Emporia Spartan Baseball Classic, Soden's Grove Field, Emporia, KS, May 8-9, 2020.

Bill Fletcher declared a conflict of interest and left the meeting at 6:03 p.m.

Mrs. Danielle Heikes moved to approve payment to Kansas Land Management, LLC in the amount of \$10,492.50 with check number 50212 and \$3,275.66 with check number 50398.

Mr. John Gaignat seconded.

Carried 6/0.

Bill Fletcher returned to the meeting at 6:03 p.m.

GOOD NEWS.

January is School Board Member Recognition Month. To show USD 232 board members appreciation for their dedication to the staff, students and patrons, each member was presented with letters of thanks from 3rd grade students at Starside Elementary and given a plant from the new Education Foundation.

Staff Member Recognition. Prairie Ridge Elementary School staff members Debbie Messner, Math Aide, and Jill Goetsch, Kindergarten Teacher; along with Monticello Trails Middle School staff members Cecile Befort, Paraprofessional, and Karen Zimmerman, Family and Consumer Science Teacher, were recognized for outstanding service in their district roles and presented with Certificates of Appreciation.

ACTION ITEMS.

BOE Organizational Items. Superintendent Harwood pointed out that with Senate Bill 130 revisions were made to Kansas Statutes 72-1133 and 72-1138 on electing a president and vice-president of the school board and on setting regular board meeting dates and times. He explained that these tasks, which were traditionally done at the first organizational meeting in July, were moved to the first meeting of the board on or after the second Monday in January of each year, or at a later meeting during that calendar year if so determined by the board at the first meeting after the second Monday in January. Superintendent Harwood recommended the Board pass a Resolution to elect its president and vice president in July (the start of the school district's fiscal year).

Mrs. Rachele Zade moved to adopt a Resolution to Establish Election of School Board Officers in July 2020.

Mrs. Ashley Spaulding seconded.

Carried 7/0.

Superintendent Harwood proposed establishing board meeting dates in the calendar year, rather than fiscal year, and presented the Board with a suggested schedule. He also noted that the new board members would be assigned to the committees their predecessor served on and asked if any member would like to serve on the new Education Foundation Committee and fill an open spot on the Student Discipline Committee. Rachele Zade volunteered to serve on the Education Foundation Committee and Ashley Spaulding volunteered to serve on the Student Discipline Committee.

Mr. Rick Amos moved to approve the Board of Education's February 2020 – January 2021 Regular Meeting Schedule and appoint board members to district committees as discussed.

Mrs. Danielle Heikes seconded.

Carried 7/0.

Approval of Bond Projects (Mill Valley Tennis Court Renovation). Steve Deghand, Director of Facilities, noted that the Mill Valley Tennis Court renovation is one of the Board approved bond projects to be completed during the first phase of projects. He said the current courts are asphalt and noted that a post tension concrete will be put over the top of the asphalt; much like what was done on the courts at De Soto High School in 2011 and has performed very well. Mr. Deghand said the district received five bids on this project with the lowest bid coming from Trans Texas; the company who completed the tennis court renovation at De Soto High School.

Mr. John Gagnat moved to approve a bid from Trans Texas in the amount of \$498,276.00 to complete renovation of eight (8) tennis courts at Mill Valley High School.

Mrs. Rachele Zade seconded.

Carried 7/0.

Steve Deghand also let the Board know about upcoming bond projects they will be receiving, including bids on the new career and technical education center.

Superintendent Harwood noted that the district has sold \$35 million in bonds so far and will be selling more in June. He added that the plan is to maximize bond sales without raising the bond mill levy above 20 mills, as promised to the patrons.

DISCUSSION ITEM.

Student Achievement Data. Michelle Hite, Director of School Improvement, presented the Board with information on the Kansans Can STAR Awards and USD232 Goals/Objectives. She noted that the district has received the following awards from the State Department of Education: 1. Kansans Can GOLD Star Award in recognition of exceptional student success in the area of Graduation, 2. Kansans Can SILVER Star Award in recognition of exceptional student success in the area of Postsecondary Effectiveness, 3. the Commissioner's Award; and, 4. Kansans Can BRONZE Star Award in recognition of exceptional student success in the area of Academically Prepared for Postsecondary Success. She shared slides demonstrating graduation rates for the district and state, the five year effectiveness rating (district aggregate), ACT 2019 composite scores for the district, each high school and the state, and the percent of students on track to be college and career ready in the district and state according to Kansas State Assessment results in English Language Arts, Math and Science. In closing, Mrs. Hite shared information on the new Kansas State Department of Education Accountability Report that is a one page, at-a-glance document that is available through the Accountability Button on the district website. She noted it will contain information on demographics, postsecondary readiness, postsecondary effectiveness, student attendance, Kansans Can Star Ratings, finances and academic success data.

Ashley Spaulding left the meeting at 6:35 p.m.

PATRON INPUT. President Heikes moved onto the next agenda item as no requests to speak were submitted.

ALERT. The following report was included in the packet for this board meeting with notice that it will require future action by the Board of Education: 1. Playground Renovation at Belmont, Horizon, Prairie Ridge and Riverview elementary schools.

EXECUTIVE SESSION.

Negotiations.

Mrs. Danielle Heikes moved to go into executive session at 6:50 p.m. for a period of twenty minutes with Frank Harwood, Alvie Cater and Carrie Handy to discuss the notification of negotiations letter pursuant to the exception for employer-employee negotiations under KOMA and return to open session at 7: 10 p.m. at this location.

Mrs. Rachele Zade seconded.

Carried 6/0.

Bill Fletcher did not participate in the executive session and left the meeting at 6:51 p.m.

The Board returned to open session and President Heikes called the meeting back to order at 7:11 p.m.

President Heikes adjourned the meeting at 7:11 p.m.

February 3, 2020
Date Approved

Wendy S. Denham
Clerk, Board of Education

Charles Heikes
President, Board of Education