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UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 412
SHERIDAN COUNTY, KANSAS

The Board of Education of Unified School District No. 412 met for their regular meeting on Monday, October 8, 2018 at 7:00 PM at the Central Administrative Office in Hoxie, Kansas.

PRESENT WERE

BOARD MEMBERS:

Leonard Weber, Michael Bretz, Billi Beckman, Devan Castle, Margery Haas,
Reba White, Lola Baalman

SUPERINTENDENT:

Jim Howard

CLERK:

Mandy Shipley

TREASURER:

Diane Stithem

PRINCIPALS:

Mark Wildeman

GUESTS:

Linda Frazey, Jessica Reeves, Kyler Niblock, Payton Rogers, Morgan Keith

ABSENT:

Billi Beckman called the meeting to order at 7:00PM.

The Board and all in attendance recited the flag salute.

The agenda for the Board meeting was approved as presented (White/Weber 7-0).

The Board recognized the visitors present.

FFA students were present to discuss their upcoming trip to Indianapolis, however, their presentation was delayed until all members were present.

After questions involving bills were addressed, the Board moved to approve the consent agenda as amended, with the removal of item 2(f), to be discussed in executive session immediately following the motion (White/Haas 7-0).

The Board moved to enter into executive session at 7:03 PM to discuss professional leave pursuant to the non-elected personnel exception under KOMA for 5 minutes with the Board, Jim Howard, and Mark Wildeman present, returning to open session at 7:08 PM in the BOE room (Haas/Castle 7-0).

The Board moved to approve the professional leave as presented (Weber/White 7-0).

Molly Foote entered the meeting at 7:09 PM.

The Board directed the FFA members and their sponsor to begin their presentation on the upcoming National Convention. They provided the Board with a copy of the permission slip to attend, with the schedule of events provided on the back. Each student was given the opportunity to talk about what they were expecting to gain educationally out of the trip, as well as share what they were most excited about.

Kyler Niblock, Payton Rogers, Morgan Keith, and Molly Foote left the meeting at 7:15 PM, immediately following their presentation.

Jim Howard provided the Board with updates on progress with Board goals. He began with the first goal regarding effective evaluations, noting that both he and Mr. Wildeman would be involved in the evaluations of certain classified personnel not previously evaluated by both administrators. For the second goal of technology complementing student learning, he presented the technology report. He discussed the insurance claims process for damaged laptops, gave the Board a brief overview of the technology committee meeting held on September 26th, and provided them with the K12itc monthly ticket report. Currently the technology committing is coming up with a plan for year four of the technology plan which involves one to one possibilities at the elementary level. He then briefly touched on goal three which involves developing the guidance department.

Jim Howard shared his principals' report for Hoxie Grade School. He discussed new and exited students since the last meeting, the BLT meeting that took place earlier in the day, and events and projects currently in progress or planned for the near future. Some of those events included picture day, painting the wall outside on the playground, and the Magic of Learning assembly on September 25th. He also announced that the turf on the playground was completed and discussed other plans regarding the completion of the original playground project, including the painting of the basketball courts and track. He also informed the Board that the school was awarded a grant from the Sheridan County Community Foundation for grow kits, spearheaded by first grade teacher Tiffni Carter, and that 9 more will be ordered for the district using those grant funds. He also discussed a new program at the grade school called Caught Being Good, where students are recognized for being extra good with a phone call made by Mr. Howard to the parents to explain the good deed, and monthly drawings for prizes to be determined for students who are recognized. The last item he discussed was a coloring contest sponsored by local Law Enforcement. This month, four winners from the Kindergarten class were selected and enjoyed a pizza lunch with two of our local officers. They will continue this contest through the month of October, recognizing winners from first through sixth grade.

Diane Stithem left the meeting at 7:34 PM.

Mark Wildeman shared his principal's report for Hoxie JR/SR High. He provided the Board with a tentative Debate schedule, shared participation numbers for High School Scholars Bowl and the High School play, and provided dates for upcoming athletic events, including the High School Volleyball NWKL tournament on Saturday, October 13th in Hoxie, Junior High Volleyball "A" team tournament on October 15th also in Hoxie (with school not in session that day), and Regional Cross Country in Bellville and Sub-State Volleyball in

Plainville on Saturday, October 20th. He also informed the Board that the additional lockers for the Junior High hall were installed and in use just in time for Junior High spirit week October 8th through the 12th, with special thanks to the maintenance crew for their work getting the lockers installed and put together. He also talked about refreshing the parent teacher conference format scheduled for the JR/SR High School on October 22nd. In order to increase participation numbers, classes will compete with each other for the biggest percentage of parent involvement, with the winning class given a pizza lunch at a date to be determined. High school parents will meet with teachers in the gym and Junior High parents will meet with teachers in the Cafeteria. Questions, concerns and comments about the new format will be taken into consideration when planning parent teacher conferences in the spring. He wrapped up his report by talking about progress with Career Cruising and the SIT process at the 7-12 level.

Jim Howard gave a brief Transportation/Maintenance Report.

Leonard Weber gave a brief update on the most recent NKESC Board Meeting that he attended via conference call and copies of the latest meeting minutes were provided to the Board.

Margery Haas gave a brief legislative update.

The Board reviewed the Food Service Report.

Jim Howard shared his Superintendent's report. He discussed events in the district since the last regular Board meeting, which included items such as Homecoming and dental screenings and gave the Board updates on walkthrough data, bat removal at both buildings, and the Superintendents Organizational Report.

Michael Bretz reviewed Board policy updates and the Board moved to approve them as presented (Weber/Haas 7-0).

The Board moved to approve Margery Haas as KASB delegate for the 2018 Convention (Weber/Bretz 7-0).

The Board took a break at 8:15 PM and returned to open session at 8:18 PM.

The Board moved to enter into executive session at 8:20 PM to discuss individual employee performance, resignations, and new hires pursuant to the non-elected personnel exception under KOMA for 1 hour and 30 minutes with the Board, Jim Howard, and Mark Wildeman present, returning to open session at 9:50 PM in the BOE room (White/Haas 7-0).

The Board moved to approve the resignation of Sarah Farber as Junior High Girls Assistant Basketball Coach (Bretz/Haas 7-0).

The Board moved to approve the resignation of Erika Chandler as High School Girls Assistant Basketball Coach (Baalman/Weber 7-0).

Billi Beckman adjourned the meeting at 9:52 PM.



BILLI BECKMAN, PRESIDENT

Approved this 12th day of November, 2018



MANDY SHIPLEY, CLERK