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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, March 11, 2019 at 7:00 PM at the Central Administrative Office in Hoxie, Kansas.

PRESENT WERE

BOARD MEMBERS:

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:

Tom Feldt, Kim Robben, Tom Friess

ABSENT:

Leonard Weber

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 with changes to the Board Meeting date from February 13, 2019 to March 11, 2019, the addition of the Food Service Report under Department reports, and the addition of an executive session under Old Business, technology report (Haas/White 6-0).

The Board recognized the visitors present.

Communications to the Board began with the Transportation/Maintenance report.

Tom Feldt shared several bids with the Board for summer projects. Discussion and questions followed on planning for these projects and possible additions to the proposals.

The Board moved to accept the bid from Erwin Construction LLC for concrete work to finish up the playground project (Castle/Bretz 6-0).

The Board moved to accept the bid from Heartland Seating for new stadium bleachers on the North side of the football field (Bretz/Baalman 6-0).

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The Board moved to accept the bid from Athco, LLC for winches for the side basketball goals in the JR/SR High gym (Bretz/Haas 6-0).

Tom Feldt left the meeting at 7:34 PM.

Other communications to the Board were reviewed including an order of continuance letter on behalf of the Imogene Toothaker Estate, and a series of articles over the roles and responsibilities of the Board of Education, to be published over the next eight weeks in the local newspapers.

Diane Stithem addressed the Board about our CD renewal, and informed them that we kept our CD with First State Bank since they were the highest bidder on the interest rate. She also reported how much interest was earned from the previous 6-month period.

The Board moved to approve the consent agenda as presented (Baalman/White 6-0).

Diane Stithem left the meeting at 7:42 PM.

Board Goal updates included teacher evaluations, to be discussed later in the meeting in an executive session under New Business. Jim Howard then reviewed the technology report, mainly discussing the technology plan of one-to-one at the elementary for the 2019-2020 school year.

The Board moved to enter into executive session at 7:47 PM to discuss the district's contract dispute with K12itc pursuant to matters deemed privileged in the attorney-client relationship under KOMA for 15 minutes with the Board, Jim Howard, and Mark Wildeman present, returning to open session at 8:02 PM in the BOE room.

Mark Wildeman gave a brief post-secondary update, informing the Board that pathway approval for next year was almost complete.

Jim Howard shared his principals' report for Hoxie Grade School. He discussed enrollment and touched on several events that had taken place at the Grade School since the last regular Board meeting including the spelling bee, the BMX Bikers assembly, Pre-K jump start, and parent teacher conferences. He also provided the Board with a rough draft of the schedule for the grade school for 2019-2020.

Mark Wildeman shared his principal's report for Hoxie JR/SR High. He wrapped up winter sports and activities for both the Junior High and High School and informed the Board that he was currently thinking of a way to recognize both Mike and Dayton Porsch for their prestigious wrestling awards, since the announcement came after the team was recognized during the first round of sub state basketball.

Lola Baalman informed Mr. Wildeman and the Board that the Booster Club was in the beginning stages of planning a High School Athletic Banquet on Wednesday, May 8, 2019, and that would be a great event to showcase those awards.

He continued by giving the Board an update on the open science and woods positions, informed them that the spring parent teacher conferences had a 40% attendance rate, and let them know that a revamped

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schedule with the possibility of going to an eight class period day was in the works for the JR/SR High next school year. He then requested the help of Board members with 8th grade promotion and High School graduation. Lola Baalman and Michael Bretz will help with promotion, while Devan Castle, Michael Bretz, and Reba White will help with High School graduation. He concluded his report by giving participation numbers for Spring sports.

Minutes from the most recent NKESC Board meeting were provided, but no report given due to the absence of Leonard Weber.

There was no report for NWKTC. In the future, if minutes are available from a prior meeting, they will be provided to and reviewed by 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 the Superintendents Council in Oakley, regional and state wrestling, sub state basketball, in-service, and the ACT test. He provided the Board with a list of education bills currently in the house and senate for consideration, gave a brief update on KESA, and provided the Board with a rough schedule of the PD scheduled for next school year's in-services.

Jim Howard briefly discussed illness and weather procedures for the district.

Tom Friess and Kim Robben left the meeting at 8:29 PM.

The Board moved to enter into executive session at 8:30 PM to discuss the opening letter for negotiations pursuant to the exception for employer-employee negotiations under KOMA for 20 minutes with the Board, Jim Howard, Mark Wildeman and Mandy Shipley present, returning to open session at 8:50 PM in the BOE room (Bretz/Haas 6-0).

The Board moved to enter into executive session at 8:51 PM to discuss confidential student information pursuant to the exception for matters affecting a student under KOMA for 25 minutes with the Board, Jim Howard, and Mark Wildeman present, returning to open session at 9:16 PM in the BOE room (White/Haas 6-0).

The Board moved to enter into executive session at 9:17 PM to discuss individual employee performance, resignations, and new hires pursuant to the non-elected personnel exception under KOMA for 60 minutes with the Board, Jim Howard and Mark Wildeman present, returning to open session at 10:17 PM in the BOE room (White/Castle 6-0).

The Board moved to approve Miranda Marez-Scanlon as part-time JH/HS assistant volleyball coach for the 2019-2020 season with salary to be determined at a later date (Baalman/White 6-0).

The Board moved to approve the updated and complete 2019-2020 Fall Coaching list as presented (Bretz/White 6-0).

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The Board moved to approve the hiring of Gabriel Friess as part time custodian (Haas/White 6-0).

The Board moved to approve BJ Beiker as Junior Class Sponsor for the 2018-2019 school year (Castle/Baalman 6-0).

Billi Beckman adjourned the meeting at 10:21 PM.

BILLI BECKMAN, PRESIDENT

Approved this 8th day of April, 2019

MANDY SHIPLEY, CLERK