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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, August 12, 2019 immediately following the Budget Hearing at 7:00 PM at the Central Administrative Office in Hoxie, Kansas.

PRESENT WERE

BOARD MEMBERS:

Michael Bretz, Lola Baalman, Devan Castle, Margery Haas, Reba

White

ABSENT:

Billi Beckman, Leonard Weber

SUPERINTENDENT:

Jim Howard

CLERK:

Mandy Shipley

PRINCIPAL:

Mark Wildeman

GUESTS:

Tom Feldt

Devan Castle called the meeting to order at 7:05 PM. The flag salute was done in the Budget Hearing and not repeated for the regular meeting.

The agenda for the Board meeting was approved as amended, with the addition item 4(e) under New Business to remainder old volleyball nets (Haas/White 5-0).

There were no new visitors for the regular Board meeting.

The Board reviewed Communications, which included an article from KASB with information regarding the Kansas Open Meetings Act and a card from a business development engineer rep from Willdan, a company who does strategic planning, among many other things, for schools. Jim Howard asked the Board if they were okay with him presenting at the September Board meeting and the consensus was it was okay.

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Tom Feldt then led the Board and meeting out of the Central Administrative Office and around the district to look over completed summer projects. The Board was able to see some of the district's new technology in addition to projects including the STEAM and elementary art room, games painted on the playground, new stadium bleachers and concrete, food service freezer, carpet and painting in the JR/SR High home economics room and counselor's office, countertops in the upstairs science room, and new furniture in a few teacher's classrooms. The Board returned their meeting to the Central Administrative Office at 8:20 PM. Tom Feldt left the meeting at that time as well.

The Board moved to approve the Consent Agenda for business reports as presented (Baalman/White5-0).

Margery Haas provided a brief update on the Toothaker Estate.

The Board reviewed and discussed their goals, including an evaluation schedule for staff, the technology report, which mainly discussed the network rollover and an update on year four technology needs and purchases, and were informed that starting in September they would receive monthly reports from Tennille Giancola regarding the guidance department.

Jim Howard shared the principals' report for Hoxie Grade School. He shared enrollment numbers, provided the Board with classroom rosters, and recapped the finished projects at the grade school they had toured earlier in the meeting. He commended the work of our Grade School custodians and summer help, informing the Board that they were able to complete the work without having to hire contractors, saving the school district many additional costs. He concluded by informing the Board that the first grade teachers would have a student teacher this first semester of school.

Mark Wildeman share his principal's report for Hoxie JR/SR High. He also shared enrollment numbers and recapped summer projects. He then held a brief discussion with the Board on future projects. He also informed the Board that a High School student enrolled in the NWKTC welding program at the satellite location in Quinter. His report concluded with a recap of the JR/SR High Student handbook changes.

The Board moved to approve the 2019-2020 JR/SR High Student Handbook as presented (Bretz/White 5-0).

Devan Castle gave a brief update on the most recent NKESC Board Meeting and copies of the last meeting minutes were provided.

Margery Haas gave a brief legislative update.

The Board reviewed the Food Service Report.

Jim Howard shared his Superintendent's report. He discussed enrollment and provided the Board with an updated staff list, evaluation schedule, and licensing status. He gave the Board the new drill schedule and touched on events since the last meeting such as the budget review in Topeka, Superintendent's Council, Community Doing, and enrollment on August 7th and 8th. He presented the districts new insurance rates with EMC and answered any questions the Board had about them. He also recapped the main highlights of the Community Doing meeting that involved the school, which included sound and lights in the auditorium, bathroom renovations at the football field, a community daycare, and having the students be more involved in civic activities in the community. All of these projects were discussed, and will hopefully be expanded upon in the future.

The Board moved to enter into executive session at 9:10 PM to discuss individual employee performance, resignations, and new hires pursuant to the non-elected personnel exception under KOMA for 25 minutes with the Board, Jim Howard, and Mark Wildeman present, returning to open session at 9:35 PM in the BOE room (Baalman/White 5-0).

The Board moved to accept the resignation of Mike Wetter as JR/SR High Industrial Arts/Woods teacher for the 2019-2020 school year (Bretz/White 5-0).

The Board moved to approve the hiring of Hannah Franklin as part-time teacher's aide and Special Education Transportation driver for the 2019-2020 school year (Haas/Castle 5-0).

The Board moved to approve the hiring of Andrea Ziegler as part-time teacher's aide for the 2019-2020 school year (Baalman/Haas 5-0).

The Board moved to approve the hiring of Desirae Melgoza as part-time teacher's aide for the 2019-2020 school year (Castle/Haas 5-0).

The Board moved to approve the hiring of Madi Niblock as Assistant Junior High Girls Basketball Coach for the 2019-2020 school year (Haas/Bretz 5-0).

The Board moved to declare the old volleyball nets remaindered and sell them (Baalman/Bretz 5-0).

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Devan Castle adjourned the meeting at 9:38 PM.

BILLI BECKMAN, PRESIDENT

Approved this 9th day of September, 2019

MANDY SHIPLEY, CLERK