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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 10, 2020 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, Billi Beckman
PRESENT BY PHONE:	Leonard Weber
SUPERINTENDENT:	Jim Howard
CLERK:	Mandy Shipley
PRINCIPAL:	Mark Wildeman
GUESTS:	Peggy Eland, Tennille Giancola, Lichelle Baar, Riley Mauck, Ayleen Dimas, Paiton Rogers, Morgan Keith

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 presented (Beckman/White 7-0).

Communications to the Board included the Transportation/Maintenance Report where progress with the High School concession stand was presented, as well as deciding a date for a Board summer project walkthrough. They also reviewed thank you cards included in their packet and were reminded of a luncheon for first- and second-year staff later in the week. They also allowed the High School Volleyball players present to read a letter that outlined their plan and agenda for an overnight team camp. The Board gave them a consensus to move forward with the camp, and appreciated their efforts to seek approval.

Lichelle Baar, Riley Mauck, Ayleen Dimas, Paiton Rogers, and Morgan Keith left the meeting at 7:08 PM.

The Board moved to approve the Consent Agenda for business reports as presented (Haas/Bretz 7-0).

The Board reviewed their goals for 2019-2020. They believed they were still relevant and important goals to carry through to the 2020-2021 school year. They discussed and added a fourth goal.

The Board moved to approve the 2020-2021 Board Goals as written (White/Haas 7-0). Devan Castle then read the goals aloud.

1. All employees will receive effective evaluations that reflect their actual performance.
2. Technology will be developed to complement student learning.
3. Guidance Department will be developed to assist all students to have success in our district.
4. All large scale projects and other items that are a consensus of the Board will be discussed and updated at each regular Board meeting until completion or dismissal.

Jim Howard shared the principals' report for Hoxie Grade School. Enrollment information was not complete at the time of the meeting so he was unable to give the Board exact numbers but did give them an estimate. He then discussed events since the last Regular Board meeting including the summer school pool party and barbeque and the fair parade in which he participated, riding with Linda Frazey and tossing candy and treats out to the children in attendance. He concluded his report by providing the Board with tentative class rosters and updating them on summer projects at the Grade School.

Mark Wildeman share his principal's report for Hoxie JR/SR High. He also shared anticipated enrollment numbers. He then held a brief discussion with the Board and Peggy Eland regarding the courtyard project. Progress will be updated as part of the new Board Goal at the next regular Board meeting. He then updated them on the KSHSAA re-opening guidelines and provided an update on where he feels the MCL stands on them. He agreed to update the Board in his weekly notes since he had a league meeting scheduled the next day. Next, he informed the Board that the officiating shortage was causing some issues for schools in our area, but that for now, all of our home football games are filled. There is a possibility that some games at other schools will be moved to a Thursday or Saturday, depending on the availability of officials. He moved on to other topics including an increase in students attending the welding school in Quinter from one last year to six this year as well as the arrival of new student and teacher laptops, purchased in cooperation with county SPARK funds. He concluded his report by asking Tennille Giancola to provide the Board with an update on the Guidance Department. She informed the Board that her and Mr. Wildeman were finalizing the master schedule and all 7-12 student schedules, and updated them on the new look of the seminar time this year, and what the students would be working on. She has also been reviewing current SIT plans and will be meeting with both the Grade School and JR/SR High SIT teams to discuss changes or additions for the coming school year. She has also been in communication with colleges about the possibility of them visiting the Juniors and Seniors at the school and what that might look like with all the changes related to COVID. She then held a discussion with the Board related to Dual Credit opportunities and the possibility of beginning some sort of scholarship program that would allow more students to participate in that opportunity. The Board came to a consensus that they would like for her to look into the dollar amount we could obtain through grants both now and in the future to begin the process. This will be updated as part of the new Board goal at future meetings.

Jim Howard reviewed the Technology Report. He informed the Board that the arrival of the student and teacher laptops provided through the county SPARK funds had given the district a jumpstart on the next 5-year technology plan, and that the technology committee and district would be meeting to plan for the next 5-year cycle this school year. He also informed them of summer technology issues Denton George has

been working though and the progress of the E-rate approved wiring he has been installing throughout the summer.

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

Margery Haas did not have anything to update the Board on for a Legislative update.

The Board reviewed the Food Service Report provided by the districts new Food Service Director, Tammy Schamberger.

Jim Howard shared his Superintendent's report. He discussed anticipated district enrollment and provided the Board with an updated staff list, evaluation schedule, and licensing status. He also provided the list of teachers who would be receiving mentoring through Southwest Plains Regional Service Center. He then touched on events since the last meeting including several meetings, High School Graduation, Special Board meetings, and enrollment on August 5th and 6th. He then gave a brief overview of the commissioner's meetings he'd attended and the discussion he had with the city and county regarding funding for Hoxie Recreation.

The Board moved to approve the remainder of the items listed below;

- 40 teacher laptops
- 7 charging carts
- 30 Chromeboxes
- 15 Chromebooks
- 24 PC Desktops
- 2006 Chevrolet Malibu (C5)

And to sell or dispose of the items as discussed (Bretz/Haas 7-0).

The Board moved to approve the Remote Learning Assurances for the 2020-2021 school year (Baalman/Beckman 7-0).

The Board moved to appoint Billi Beckman, Michael Bretz, and Devan Castle as Board negotiations representatives for the 2021-2022 school year (Haas/White 7-0).

The Board wanted to elect the negotiations representatives for 2021-2022 early to allow extra time for the required training.

The Board moved to approve the amendment of the 2020-2021 Student Handbooks to reflect an 8:00 AM start time (Bretz/Beckman 7-0).

The Board moved to approve the 2020-2021 Memorandum of Agreement regarding COVID Leave for Certified staff as presented (Bretz/Haas 7-0).

The Board moved to approve the 2020-2021 Classified Handbook changes as presented (Baalman/Bretz 7-0).

The Board took a break at 8:36 PM and returned to open session at 8:41 PM.

Peggy Eland and Tennille Giancola left the meeting at 8:41 PM.

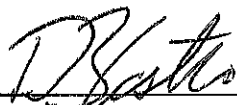
The Board moved to enter into executive session at 8:42 PM to discuss individual employee performance, resignations, and new hires pursuant to the non-elected personnel exception under KOMA for 15 minutes with the Board, Jim Howard, and Mark Wildeman present, returning to open session at 8:57 PM in the BOE room (Haas/Beckman 7-0).

The Board moved to approve the hiring of Laura Fellhoelter as Driver's Ed Instructor for the Summer of 2021 (Baalman/White 7-0).

The Board moved to approve the hiring of Paulette Wildeman as Grade School STUCO sponsor for the 2020-2021 school year (Haas/Beckman 7-0).

The Board moved to approve the hiring of Jennifer Bultena as Co-High School STUCO sponsor for the 2020-2021 school year (Bretz/Haas 7-0).

Devan Castle adjourned the meeting at 9:00 PM.



DEVAN CASTLE, PRESIDENT

Approved this 14th day of September, 2020



MANDY SHIPLEY, CLERK