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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, April 11, 2022 at 7:00 PM in the district boardroom in Hoxie, Kansas.

PRESENT WERE

BOARD MEMBERS: Leonard Weber, Michael Bretz, Billi Beckman, Devan Castle, Mitchell Baalman, Jennifer Carder

SUPERINTENDENT: Casey Robinson

CLERK: Mandy Shipley

PRINCIPAL: Carey Fose

ABSENT: Reba White

GUESTS: Karl Pratt, Kelsey Epp, Tom Feldt, Margery Haas

Devan Castle 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 as follows; Addition of item (a) Senior Laptops, and (b) Remainder Items under New Business, moving existing items down sequentially as well as the addition of item (j) SPED Mileage Reimbursement in the same section (Bretz/Beckman 6-0).

The Board recognized the visitors present.

Communications to the Board included a presentation from Margery Haas regarding two former USD 412 teachers being inducted into the Kansas Teacher Hall of Fame this June; Joanne Emerick and Bette James. The ceremony will be held in Dodge City the weekend of June 4<sup>th</sup>. The district will reach out to current staff, alumni and the two former teachers about the possibility of having a public reception to celebrate the honor locally and that information will be shared when available. This is the first time USD 412 has had teachers nominated and then inducted into this prestigious group since inception over 45 years ago.

Margery Hass exited the meeting at 7:03PM.

Carey Fose informed the Board that the senior class had voted not to go on a senior class trip. She informed the Board that the school was merely the custodian of the funds and that the class would need to decide what to do with the money once all class related expenses had been accounted for. She gave them options including donating the money to a younger class, setting up a "reunion" fund, donating towards a school project, donating a memorial, and several more. She is confident they will make a choice that benefits their class wishes as a whole.

Karl Pratt, Kelsey Epp and Tom Feldt were present to provide the Board with an update on progress with the daycare project. The Board and all in attendance left the boardroom at 7:04 PM to look at the proposed lots for the modular both west and north of the grade school building and returned to the boardroom at 7:21PM. There was a consensus that the gravel lot north of the grade school, already owned by the school, would be the best location and most feasible option for the placement of the modular housing the daycare. Discussion continued about fundraising efforts and expenses, and the consensus was given to fully immerse into making the project a reality. The school, in collaboration with the community daycare committee, will be issuing a press release about the project, and also working together to create a job description and advertise for a childcare provider to run the daycare.

Karl Pratt and Tom Feldt gave a quick update on the High School auditorium lighting project. Karl is working to get an updated bid from McClelland Inc., and will be instrumental in the grant writing process to move forward with the project. He did also reach out and obtain a quote for the electrical work that would need to be done in addition to what is quoted from McClelland. He and the Board are hopeful to complete this project by the summer of 2023.

Karl Pratt and Kelsey Epp exited the meeting at 7:35 PM.

Tom Feldt held a discussion with the Board regarding the High School Courtyard project. With many of the original committee members for the project not returning next year or having already left the district, the Board designated Tom to assume responsibility for the project in regards to district monies committed in the 2020-2021 school year.

Tom Feldt also gave a brief update regarding the district bathroom remodel project and other projects currently scheduled during the summer break.

Tom Feldt exited the meeting at 7:58 PM.

Lance Baar and Miranda Marez-Scanlon entered the meeting at 7:58 PM.

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

The Board reviewed their goals.

1. All employees will receive effective evaluations that reflect their actual performance.
  - Evaluations for the meeting included teachers and winter coaches. Teacher evaluations were discussed later in the meeting in the non-elected personnel executive session in new business.

- The Board moved to enter into executive session at 8:00 PM to discuss winter coaching evaluations and recommendations pursuant to the non-elected personnel exception under KOMA for 20 minutes with the Board, Miranda Marez-Scanlon and Lance Baar present, returning to open session at 8:20 PM in the district boardroom (Weber/Carder 6-0).
  
- The Board moved to approve the 2022-2023 Winter Coaches as listed (Baalman/Weber 6-0):
  - High School Girls Head Basketball: Easton Slipke
  - High School Girls Assistant Basketball: Jodi Rogers
  - High School Boys Head Basketball: Jake Moss
  - Junior High Girls Head Basketball: Madison Niblock
  - Junior High Boys Head Basketball: Kade Wessel
  - Junior High Boys Assistant Basketball: Miranda Marez-Scanlon
  - High School Boys/Girls Head Wrestling: Mike Porsch
  - High School Boys/Girls Assistant Wrestling: Kyle William
  - Junior High Boys/Girls Head Wrestling: Tyler Baker
  - Junior High Boys/Girls Assistant Wrestling: Clayton Schamberger

Miranda Marez-Scanlon and Lance Baar left the meeting at 8:25 PM.

- ii. Technology will be developed to complement student learning
  - Mandy Shipley and Carey Fose gave the Board a brief update regarding this goal.
  
- iii. The Guidance Department will be developed to assist all students to have success in our District.
  - The Board reviewed a report provided by Tennille Giancola with an update on progress with this goal.
  
- iv. All large-scale projects and other items that are a consensus of the Board will be discussed and updated at each meeting until completion or dismissal.
  - Updates regarding the daycare, auditorium lighting, district bathroom remodel and High School courtyard projects were shared at the beginning of the meeting.
  - An update was provided on the High School track project. The same vendor who provided a quote for the project last year visited the track in late winter and conveyed that it seemed to be holding up better than anticipated.

Casey Robinson shared his Principal's report for Hoxie Grade School.

Carey Fose shared her Principals' report for Hoxie Jr/Sr High.

Devan Castle gave a brief update on the latest happenings at the NKESC in Oakley and minutes from the most recent meeting were provided. The Board also had the opportunity to review the estimated buy-in for the 2022-2023 school year.

The Board reviewed the Food Service Report. The report did indicate that the district would be returning to free/reduced and paid lunches next school year, as the federal program that has been funding the food program the last two years, allowing all students to eat for free, has not been renewed by the federal government for next school year.

Casey Robinson shared his Superintendents report. He spoke mainly about the OVT visit for KESA on April 5<sup>th</sup> and what accreditation year five might look like for the district in 2022-2023.

The Board took a break at 8:52 PM and returned to open session at 8:57 PM.

The Board held a discussion regarding senior laptops. The consensus was to donate the laptops again to the seniors this year, as that is consistent with what was provided for the class of 2021.

The Board moved to remainder 32 laptops and donate them to the senior class of 2022 (Bretz/Carder 6-0).

The Board held a brief discussion on any updates regarding COVID. There were no significant updates to report regarding the school.

Carey Fose provided the Board with a quote for the assessment tool Fastbridge. She explained that it would replace our current testing with NWEA, or MAP testing for the 2022-2023 school year. She also informed them there were more elements to the testing that would satisfy criteria needed for accreditation, including a much-needed social emotional component.

The science curriculum committee was not prepared to present a quote, so that item was tabled to the regular May board meeting.

The Board held a discussion with administration regarding a proposed change to the cell phone policy in the 2022-2023 Jr/Sr High Handbook. Language was presented for them to review and after the discussion it was decided to revisit the topic again at the regular May board meeting and approve the language at that time, as to give the incoming 7-12 students, parents and staff a chance to review the changes and also plenty of time to prepare for them.

The Board reviewed a request by Food Service Director Tammy Schamberger to transfer \$2,016 from the general fund to the food service fund this fiscal year to accommodate for a deficiency in revenue from an increase in the cost of non-program food prices in the current school year. The Board provided a consensus agreeing to the request.

Opening letters for the 2022-2023 negotiations year were reviewed and it was decided the executive session for negotiations was not needed at that time.

The Board took a break at 9:39 PM and returned to open session at 9:43 PM.

The Board moved to enter into executive session at 9:45 PM to discuss individual employee performance, resignations, and new hires pursuant to the non-elected personnel exception under KOMA for 1 hour and 45 minutes with the Board, Casey Robinson, Carey Fose, and Mandy Shipley present, returning to open session at 11:30 PM in the district boardroom (Bretz/Beckman 6-0).

Mandy Shipley exited the executive session at 9:55 PM and returned at 11:15 PM, staying for the remaining duration until open session was resumed.

Carey Fose exited the executive session at 10:47 PM.

Casey Robinson exited the executive session at 10:58 PM.

The Board moved to accept the resignation of Breanna Brown, releasing her from all teaching and supplemental duties for USD # 412 at the completion of the 2021-2022 contract year (Bretz/Weber 6-0).

The Board moved to accept the resignation of Hayley Heim as Hoxie JR/SR High Secretary effective May 25, 2022 (Weber/Carder 6-0).

The Board moved to accept the resignation of Jared Kennedy as Assistant Junior High Boys Football Coach (Bretz/Beckman 6-0).

The Board moved to approve the transfer of Nichole Campbell from Kindergarten Teacher to Second Grade Teacher for the 2022-2023 school year (Castle/Weber 6-0).

The Board moved to approve the employment of Andrea Graham as Kindergarten teacher for the 2022-2023 school year (Bretz/Baalman 6-0).

The Board moved to approve 2022-2023 Sponsors as listed (Carder/Beckman 6-0).

- Grade School Stuco: Kim Robben
- Junior High Stuco: Cheryl Schwarz
- Junior High Stuco: Tennille Giancola

The Board moved to approve 2022 summer custodial/maintenance help with status as listed and rate as discussed (Baalman/Carder 6-0).

- Part-time Adult: Lance Baar
- Full-time Adult: Tristan Burris
- Part-time student: Easton Nickelson

The Board held a brief discussion about the payment of special education mileage to parents of a transitional student.

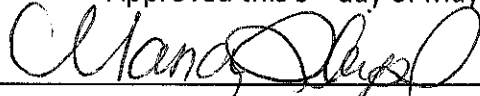
Devan Castle adjourned the meeting at 11:41 PM.



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DEVAN CASTLE, PRESIDENT

Approved this 9<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2022



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MANDY SHIPLEY, CLERK