MINUTES

REGULAR USD 251 BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING

August 23, 2017 at 7:00 p.m.

1. **OPENING ITEMS:**
   The regular meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Matt Horton in the BOE meeting room in Americus.
   BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:
   Matt Horton, Angela Anderson, Earl Lyddane, Allen Curless, David Goldsmith Jr, and Tim Burton.
   BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT:
   Sally Anderson
   SUPERINTENDENT:
   Aron Dody
   BOARD CLERK:
   Nicolette Nuessen
   GUESTS:
   Bob Reust, Kathy Reust, Ryan Brooks, Tammie Reed, Stacie Horton, Nancy Wells, Anthony Hines, Holly French, Dave O'Rear, Katelyn Henricksen, Terry Berkbuegler, Sherry Ferguson (7:08 p.m.), and Roger Ferguson (7:08 p.m.).

2. **APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA WITH CONSENT ITEMS :**
   Angela Anderson (David Goldsmith Jr) moved to approve the agenda with consent items as follows, adding item 5.c. Rental fee. Motion passed. (6-0)
   a. Approval of minutes from regular board meeting held on August 9, 2017
   b. Approval of free textbook applications

3. **COMMUNICATION TO AND FROM THE BOARD:**
   a. The Clerk handed out mail and informed the board of this year's KASB annual conference.
   b. The President enjoyed talking to the teachers at Inservice. He talked about how the district should continue to teach history the way it happened. He thanked Emporia State Federal Credit Union for the nice gifts. He has a positive outlook on the new school year.
   c. The Superintendent gave kudos to Judge Tommy Webb, a fantastic motivational speaker, who did an awesome job, everyone was engaged which was nice to see. The district will have him back to speak with students. Further the Superintendent gave kudos to everyone who worked over the summer, Nicky Nuessen, Amy Rhoads, Becky Mayes, Darrin Harrison, Mark Jurgens, Jamie Yingst, Jesus Lara, Sharon Aguirre, and Angie Harris. Mr. Lyddane asked about the new website. Mr. Dody said it is done, just waiting to have it released to us. The new phone system is almost ready to go too.

4. **COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC:**
   There were no comments from the public.

5. **NEW BUSINESS:**
   a. Confluence – site selection analysis:
      Katelyn Henricksen and Terry Berkbuegler put together a study of our district, which they shared with everyone present. The study that was based on Census', commuting patterns, and drive times, pinpointed an optimal area in the district, which would be ideal to build the new 6-12 school. The board would like Mr. Dody and Mr. Horton to start checking with landowners on land availability in the area proposed.

      Katelyn Henricksen and Terry Berkbuegler left the meeting at 8:07 p.m.

b. KASB board policy updates:
Earl Lyddane (Allen Curless) moved to approve the proposed policy updates, with the exception of DFAB. Motion passed. (6-0)

c. Rental fee:
Angela Anderson (David Goldsmith Jr) moved to approve the proposed $10 a month band instrument rental fee. Motion passed. (6-0)

6. **PERSONNEL/STUDENTS:**
   a. Angela Anderson (Matt Horton) moved to go into executive session to discuss employee recommendations pursuant to non-elected personnel for a period of 5 minutes, starting at 8:07 p.m. and ending at 8:12 p.m., inviting Mr. Dody. Motion passed. (6-0)
   The board and Mr. Dody left the room at 8:07 p.m.
   At 8:12 p.m. the board returned to open session.
   b. Tim Burton (Angela Anderson) moved to offer a supplemental contract to Andrew Birchmeier and Amanda Merring as co-head softball coaches at NHHS for the 2017-18 school year. Motion passed. (6-0)
   c. Tim Burton (David Goldsmith Jr) moved to accept the resignation from Annabelle Arndt Armitage for the end of the 2016-17 school year. Motion passed. (6-0)
   d. Angela Anderson (David Goldsmith Jr) moved to approve out of district applications #9 - 15. Motion passed. (6-0)

7. **BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS:**
   Earl Lyddane is looking forward to the start football season next Friday.
   Angela Anderson wished everyone “Good Luck” on the new school year.
   David Goldsmith Jr is excited about the new school year.
   Matt Horton is also excited about all the activities starting.

8. **ADJOURNMENT:**
   Earl Lyddane (Allen Curless) moved to adjourn the meeting. Motion passed. (6-0)
   The meeting adjourned at 8:14 p.m.

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Nicolette Nuessen, Board Clerk

"These minutes are unofficial until approved at the next meeting."