Minutes

USD #112 Board of Education met in regular session Monday evening, January 11, 2021 at 6:00 p.m. in the Central Plains Elementary School Cafeteria, in Holyrood, KS, with the following attending:

Board Members:

Joshua Hurley
Jacob Charvat (absent)
Tony Zink
Brad Schiermeyer
Tami Schepmann
Chad Rogers
Tamara Dody

Roll

Also attending were Greg Clark, Superintendent, Diane Ney, Clerk, Darlene Lank, Treasurer, Toby Holmes, Principal, Central Plains Jr-Sr High School, Adam Niedens, K-12 Principal at Wilson, Jane Oeser, Principal at Central Plains Elementary School, John Sherman, School Attorney, and Scott Mitchum for livestreaming.

Brad Schiermeyer called the meeting to order and the board conducted the election of officers for 2021.

Tony Zink nominated Brad Schiermeyer for President. There were no other nominations.

Election of Officers

On motion by Tony Zink and seconded by Tami Schepmann, the board voted 6-0 to approve Brad Schiermeyer as Board President.

Chad Rogers nominated Tamara Dody for Vice-President. There were no other nominations.

On motion by Chad Rogers and seconded by Joshua Hurley, the board voted 6-0 to approve Tamara Dody as Board Vice-President.

On motion by Josh Hurley and seconded by Tony Zink, the board voted 6-0 to approve the agenda with the following additions: Item 10) Resignation of Denise Kempke; re-number the items 15 through 19 and add Item 18) Agenda Items for Next Month.

Approve Agenda

On motion by Tamara Dody and seconded by Josh Hurley, the board voted 6-0 to approve the minutes of the Dec. 14, 2020 board meeting. Approve Minutes

There was no public forum.

On motion by Josh Hurley and seconded by Chad Rogers, the board voted 6-0 to approve all invoices in the amount of $339,580.08. Approve Invoices

On motion by Josh Hurley and seconded by Tamara Dody, the board voted 6-0 to approve the treasurer's report as presented. Approve Treasurer's Report

The board of education reviewed the cash summary report and the bank balances were reconciled with the treasurer's report as of Dec. 31, 2020. Bank Reconciliation

Principals' reports were as follows: Principals' Reports

Adam Niedens reported on the bank reconciliation; current enrollment numbers; current COVID numbers; scores for Lexia, dibels, STAR Reading and successmaker; recent student finals for first semester; basketball records; and KMEA music awards for middle school and elementary students.

Toby Holmes reported on the bank reconciliation; Giving Tree project by the leadership class, along with Christmas cards to assisted living facilities and veterans; upcoming scholar's bowl; after-prom fundraiser; upcoming basketball games for JH and HS athletes; and Hall of Fame induction will be Feb. 5th.

Jane Oeser reported on the bank reconciliation; current enrollment numbers with 12 new students enrolled after Christmas; current COVID numbers; upcoming CAPE (Child Abuse Prevention Education) program for PK-6th grade students; and an update on Lexia and DIBELS assessment scores.

On motion by Chad Rogers and seconded by Josh Hurley, the board voted 6-0 to accept the resignation of Denise Kempke, as Kindergarten teacher at CPES and Mark DeWald as the band teacher at Central Plains schools. Approve Resignations

On motion by Tami Schepmann and seconded by Tamara Dody, the board voted 6-0 to approve the Establish Board's Regular Meeting Dates Resolution as presented (see attached). Approve Meeting Resolution

On motion by Josh Hurley and seconded by Chad Rogers, the board voted 6-0 to approve Resolution 2021-01-11, which allows the extension of the Families First Coronavirus Response Act (FCCRA), to provide paid employee leave through the end of this school year, May, 2021. (see attached)

Approve COVID Resolution

Mr. Clark reviewed various costs and price quotes on new bleachers for CPJSHS football field, with a capacity of approximately 400 to 450. He also discussed the cost to move the existing bleachers from Bushton to Claflin. Three different companies submitted proposals for this project The board also discussed the size of the press-box and the condition of the existing light poles at the football field. The board also discussed the value of the bleachers at Bushton, and instructed Mr. Clark to get estimates on what the value of those bleachers might be.

Discuss - Bleachers

Mr. Clark reported on the following:

- Gave a COVID update on cases and quarantine throughout the district; the district began "saliva" testing on some students; Ellsworth County has a 16% positivity rate; shared Kansas Vaccinations Phases by population; and modified quarantine for students when necessary.
- Reported on livestream and H & B agreed to go with the NFHS App instead of the TV Channel; routers, internet speed and various connections can affect the broadcast of the livestream. He also reported that the district could have a backup with an IPad if the NFHS streaming goes down.
- Gave a final SPARKS spending report, including $59,277 for technology; $10,724 for PPE; $33,925 for cleaning and disinfecting; $33,479 for payroll; $21,356 distance learning; $27,460 for miscellaneous and $73,624.45 to DCS for moving the system from Bushton to Holyrood which spent the SPARKS money to zero.
- Graduation Alliance update included 70 students enrolled in December, with 70 to 75 projected to enroll in January. Currently, the district is earning approximately .7 credits per month, with a total of 369 students enrolled.
- Reviewed winter activities and possible guidelines after the KSHSAA guidelines expire on Jan. 28th. The district will abide by the KSHSAA guidelines if extended past the 28th of January.

Superintendent's Report

Tamara Dody made the following motion: Mr. President, I move that the Board go into Executive Session pursuant to the Kansas Open Meetings Act, to discuss confidential personnel matters related to nonelected personnel as they relate to an individual employee – the superintendent's evaluation, and that we return to open session, in this room at 8:00 p.m., with Mr. Clark and Mr. Sherman to be on-call. Tony Zink seconded the motion. Board voted 6-0 to approve.

Executive Session

Mr. Clark entered the Executive Session at 7:47 p.m.

The board returned to open session, in this room, at 8:00 p.m.

Tamara Dody made the following motion: Mr. President, I move that the Board go into Executive Session pursuant to the Kansas Open Meetings Act to discuss confidential information regarding actions which may adversely or favorably affect a student's special education plan and needs, to include Greg Clark, Adam Niedens, and John Sherman, and that we return to open session, in this room at 8:15 p.m. Tony Zink seconded the motion. Board voted 6-0 to approve.

Executive Session

The board returned to open session, in this room, at 8:15 p.m.

Under open agenda items, the board discussed fundraisers for After-Prom.

On motion by Chad Rogers and seconded by Tony Zink, the board voted 6-0 to approve any fundraisers for the After-Prom organization.

Approve After-Prom Fundraisers

Other open agenda items included the following: Mr. Clark acknowledged that January is Board of Education Appreciation Month and thanked the board for their service, especially during this difficult time of COVID-19; Tamara Dody acknowledged Mrs. Kempke and Mr. DeWald, and thanked them for their service to the district; and Brad Schiermeyer thanked all educators in the district during this pandemic with teaching on-line and in-person.

Open Agenda Items

Future agenda items will include the following: board policy updates, livestream, bleachers, administrative contracts, and personnel.

Next month's agenda items

The February meeting will be Feb. 8, 2021, and held at the Wilson School in Wilson.

Adjourn

On motion by Chad Rogers and seconded by Josh Hurley, the board voted 6-0 to adjourn the meeting at 8:21 p.m.

Clerk

President

RESOLUTION TO ESTABLISH BOARD'S REGULAR MEETING DATES

RESOLUTION

Mr./Madam President, I move the adoption of the following Resolution:

WHEREAS, K.S.A. 72-1138 requires boards of education, at the first meeting on or after the second Monday in January or at a later date during that calendar year if so determined by the board at that first meeting, to adopt a resolution to establish its regular board meeting dates, times, and location, as well as the alternative date and time of any meeting if the regular meeting date falls on a Sunday or holiday;

WHEREAS, the board of education must act each year on or after the second Monday in January and before February 1st of each year or at a later date during the calendar year to establish its meeting dates, times, and location;

BE IT RESOLVED pursuant to K.S.A. 2019 Supp. 72-1138, that the Board of Education of Unified School District No. 112, Ellsworth County, Kansas at its meeting on January 11, 2021 does hereby adopt this resolution to:

Establish the following meeting schedule at the first meeting on or after the second Monday in January and before February 1st, for regular board of education meetings to be held during 2021 as follows:

Hour of commencing the meeting: **6:00 p.m.**

Day of week the meeting will be held: **Monday**

Week of the month the meeting will be held: **Second Week**

Meeting location: **USD 112 Central Plains – Elementary School Library**
600 S. Main St., Holyrood, KS 67450
(July, August, January, March meetings)

Other meeting locations: Oct., Dec., Feb., May meetings – Wilson Schools – Wilson
3005 Avenue D, Wilson, KS 67490
Sept., Nov., Apr., June meetings – Central Plains Jr-Sr High School - Claflin
700 W. Albro St., Claflin, KS 67525

If the established meeting date falls on a Sunday, a legal holiday, or a holiday specified by the board of education, such regular meeting will be held on the day following, commencing at the same hour and location as detailed above.

The board of education reserves the right to adjourn any regular meeting to another time and/or place.

By:

Board Member

Board Member

Board Member

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CERTIFICATE

This is to certify that the above resolution was duly adopted by the Board of Education of Unified School District No. 112, Ellsworth County, Kansas, on the 11th day of January, 2021.

Clerk of the Board of Education

RESOLUTION - 2021-01-11

WHEREAS, the novel coronavirus has caused COVID-19 infections throughout the United States beginning in early 2020 and continuing to the present time, and

WHEREAS, the United States Congress, in recognition of the need to limit spread of the virus, passed the Families First Coronavirus Response Act (FFCRA) to provide paid employee leave, under certain circumstances, and

WHEREAS, the FFCRA has expired December 31, 2020 and has not been extended beyond that date at this time, and

WHEREAS, **USD 112** continues to experience infections among its students and staff and recognizes the need to permit employees to take paid leave in the event of infection or quarantine for COVID-19 in order to reduce the likelihood of virus spread in the district, at least through the end of the 2020-2021 school year;

NOW, THEREFORE, the Board of Education of **USD 112, Ellsworth** County, Kansas adopts and enacts the following provisions, to remain in force through the end of the 2020-2021 school year, unless rescinded earlier by the Board:

1. The provisions of the FFCRA pertaining to infection or quarantine of an employee, appearing at Section 5101 (a)(1), (2), (3) and (4) of the FFCRA, shall be treated as if extended, and the benefits allowed therein will be provided to all employees of **USD 112**, as if the Act remained in force and effect.

2. The provisions of the FFCRA found Section 2301 and in Section 5101(a)(5) of the Act, which granted up to twelve weeks of paid leave in the event the school or daycare provider for employees' children closed or became unavailable due to COVID-19, will NOT be extended or given effect unless renewed or extended by Act of Congress, signed into law by the President.

3. In the event the FFCRA is extended or amended by law, then the provisions of this resolution shall be immediately void, and **USD 112** shall follow all provisions of the Act, as written.

ADOPTED THIS **11th** DAY OF **JANUARY, 2021.**

By:

Board Member

Board Member

Board Member

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Board Member

Attest:
Clerk of the Board