

UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 113

Board of Education

1619 S. Old US Highway 75

Sabetha, KS 66534

Minutes of the April 8, 2019 Regular Board Meeting

Meeting was held at Axtell Public School, Axtell KS

Board President, Ed Reznicek, called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM. Dr. Jeff DeMint, Kathy Lippert, Ed Reznicek, Kent Saylor, Jim Scoby, Leslie Scoby and Ann Shaughnessy were present; also present were Superintendent, Todd Evans, and Board Clerk, Carol Kuckelman and others who are listed on the attached sheet that becomes a part of these minutes.

President Ed Reznicek asked to add the following items to the agenda: Consent Agenda B. April bills - \$477,201.33; D. Resignations – Linda Stone, SES Library Clerk/Secretary; Jayson Claycamp, WHS Girls Basketball Coach; Wendy Roeber, 1st grade APS; Alex McAfee, SHS Head Girls Basketball Coach; E. Contracts – Lesha Koch, SES Intervention Teacher; Nicole Mann, SES 1st Grade teacher; F. – Personal/Dock Days: Shannon Garrett, SES; Beverly Niehues, SMS; Heather Schremmer, SMS; Tina Hughes, SES; Holly Meyer, SES; Katie Heiman, SES; Briana Uphaus, APS.

Motion by Dr. Jeff DeMint, seconded Kathy Lippert to approve the agenda as amended. Motion carried 7-0.

President Ed Reznicek thanked all the staff who will be leaving at the end of this year for their committed service to the district including Anissa Bloom, Jesse Hutfles and Nancy Schumann.

Consent Agenda:

- A. Approve minutes from the March 11, 2019 regular board meeting.
- B. Approve payment of April bills in the amount of \$477,201.33.
- C. Approve payment of March payroll for the amount of \$692,393.56.
- D. Resignations: Anissa Bloom, WAC Prek/Kindergarten teacher, AD, Cheer coach, Junior Class/Concession Sponsor, PDC; Katie Heiman, MTSS Intervention teacher; Jesse Hutfles, WAC Science grades 7-12, Shop and Asst. WHS Football Coach; Nancy Schumann, WAC ISS; Jennette Woltje, WAC Western Center driver; Marcia Bauerle, District Leadership Team and SES Building Leadership Chair; Briana Evans, SHS Building Leadership Team Chair and Building Test Coordinator; Linda Stone, SES Library Clerk/Secretary; Jason Claycamp, WHS Girls Basketball Coach; Wendy Roeber, APS 1st Grade; Alex McAfee, SHS Head Girls Basketball.
- E. Contracts: Jennette Woltje, WAC ISS; Lesha Koch, SES Intervention Teacher; Nicole Mann, SES 1st Grade teacher.
- F. Personal Day/Dock Day request requiring BOE approval: Marcia Bauerle, SES; Nathan Bauman, SHS; Julie Kuckelman, SES; Kaleb Moeller, SHS; Jessica Ploeger, SES; Jennifer Streett, SES; Shannon Garrett, SES; Beverly Niehues, SMS; Heather Schremmer, SMS; Tina Hughes, SES; Holly Meyer, SES; Katie Heiman, SES; Briana Uphaus, APS.
- G. 9. A.I. – Approve Summer Help; 10. A.I. – Approve SHS Seniors to help with City Wide Clean-up on April 24, 2019; 12. A.I. – Approve Ed Reznicek and Leslie Scoby to serve on the FY19 Sick Bank Committee; 13. A.I. – Permission to sell obsolete/damaged district-owned band instruments

Motion from Kent Saylor, seconded by Ann Shaughnessy to add the following items to the Consent Agenda: Agenda item 9. A.I. – Approve Summer Help; 10. A.I. – Approve SHS Seniors to help with City Wide Clean-up on April 24, 2019; 12. A.I. – Approve Ed Reznicek and Leslie Scoby to serve on the FY19 Sick Bank Committee; 13. A.I. – Permission to sell obsolete/damaged district-owned band instruments. Motion carried 7-0.

Motion by Kathy Lippert, seconded by Leslie Scoby to approve the consent agenda as amended. Motion carried 7-0.

Architect, Emily Koenig gave a tour of the ongoing Office Re-location project to the board explaining the proposed change orders.

The proposed change orders for consideration at the Axtell Office Re-location project are: 1. Patch existing

concrete floor at ADL/Media Center - \$2126.45; 2. Drywall existing wall at ADL/Media Center - \$933.24; 3. Walk off carpet tile - \$833.25; 4. Replace VCT and Rubber Base at Commons/Corridor - \$9557.93; 5. N/A; 6. New door/hardware for opening B/2 - \$4457.33; 7. Change from Schlage to Corbin Russwin door hardware (adjustment coming) - \$2176.45; 8. a) Additional conduit and drops for IT, b) Access control at (existing) west entry, c) New outlet and wire cover in ADL/Media room, d) Bell system relocation - \$2735.82; 9. Door, frame and hardware changes – (\$688.00).

Motion by Kathy Lippert, seconded by Dr. Jeff DeMint to approve the following change orders: 1. Patch concrete - \$2126.45, 2. Drywall existing wall in ADL room – \$933.24, 3. Walk off carpet tile - \$833.25, 6. New door/hardware for south opening - \$4457.33, 8. Conduit drops, access control at west entry, new outlet and wire cover, bell system relocation - \$2735.82, 9. Door, frame and hardware changes – (688.00) for a total of \$10,398.09 to be taken out of district capital outlay funds. Motion carried 7-0.

Change order #4 – Replace VCT and rubber base at Commons/Corridor will be completed using building capital outlay funds at a cost of \$9557.93. (No motion needed)

There was discussion regarding having a camera at the west entry that would be monitored in the principal's office and consensus of the board was to get an estimate of the costs involved with that system and Mr. Evans will decide whether to approve that or not after discussions with Mr. Tynon.

Mr. Evans gave part of his Superintendent's report electronically this month and included a link on the agenda that was emailed to board members, staff and patrons. He included an enrollment update, maintenance report on items that will need attention in the near future. He reported on vacancies and negotiations as well. Mr. Evans gave the YTD financial report and he said he's planning to get the Finance Committee together before the May meeting. He also reported that the iPads that were approved at a previous meeting have been purchased. Mr. Evans asked the board members to let him know if they would be attending the district graduations. Ed Reznicek, Dr. Jeff DeMint and Kent Saylor are all planning to attend the graduation ceremonies. Leslie Scoby is unable to attend. The other board members will be getting back with Mr. Evans as to whether they will be attending or not.

Dr. Jeff DeMint gave the USD 113 Foundation report.

Kathy Lippert gave the Legislative report.

Adam Ronnebaum, President of Eagle Booster Club, gave a report to the board including their fundraising activities, school involvement and stating that since their inception in 2014 they have donated over \$150,000 to the Axtell School. Some of the items they've purchased for the school are Smart boards, library books, sports machines, uniforms, tables, chairs, individual books for each elementary students, plus paying for hotel rooms and meals for teams attending state competitions.

Sarah Shaughnessy, Axtell Economic Development Committee, gave a report to the board and shared the projects they are involved in along with the past projects that AEDC has funded which include Daycare Incentive Program, Tear Down, Building up Housing Program, and Community Business Support along with other programs. She stated that AEDC is working to enhance Axtell through their projects and have given back over \$150,000 to the Axtell community through their ongoing and past programs.

Rhonda Hasenkamp, Axtell PRIDE Association, gave a report to the board on projects they have helped fund and shared with the board ways their Association is active in the Axtell community including putting on the Axtell Harvest Festival, new playground equipment at the City Park, donation to Axtell Fire & Rescue for equipment along with numerous other projects. Over the last 3 years Axtell PRIDE Association has raised funds that were given back to the community in excess of \$200,000.

Gary Ronnebaum addressed the board and expressed his frustration with the recent article in *The Marysville Advocate* that led people to incorrectly believe that Axtell Public School was going to close. Gary felt the article was written as a direct result of comments a board member made at the February BOE meeting. He believes this constant negative perception hurts the enrollment at the Axtell School and the board should work to bring positive light to the school instead of negative. During his time as a board member in the former USD 488 district he saw the negative impact such articles can have on communities and would like to see the board and community working together and emphasize the positive.

Mr. Evans reported that Valuation study has been completed by Kickhaefer & Buessing, PA. The reports shows that valuation by community as follows: Axtell – 26.53%, Sabetha – 60.66% and Wetmore – 12.8%.

Mr. Evans gave each board member an opportunity to give their perspective on how the district is currently determining viability. The board members took turns sharing their viewpoints.

Item 9. A.I. – Moved to Consent Agenda

Item 10. A.I. – Moved to Consent Agenda

Motion by Dr. Jeff DeMint, seconded by Leslie Scoby to approve adding an underground irrigation system to the SHS Practice field. Approximately \$2500 would be spent from SHS building Capital Outlay and remaining from the Sabetha Booster Club. Motion carried 7-0.

Item 12 A.I. – Moved to Consent Agenda

Item 13 A.I. – Moved to Consent Agenda

Motion by Kathy Lippert, seconded by Dr. Jeff DeMint to appoint Kent Saylor and Jim Scoby to the serve on the newly established Facility Advisory Committee to help with the financial and viability study relating to possibly housing the HeadStart Program in the east side of the Board of Education building. Motion carried 7-0.

Motion by Kathy Lippert, seconded by Ann Shaughnessy to approve the purchase of a 2020 53 passenger bus for \$78,569 from Kansas Truck Equipment Co. Motion carried 7-0.

At 8:25 PM – Motion by Kathy Lippert, seconded by Ann Shaughnessy to enter into executive session for the purpose of discussing employee compensation and benefits under the exception for employer-employee negotiations allowed under Kansas Open Meetings Act (KOMA) at 8:25 PM and return to regular session at 8:35 PM in this room. Motion carried 7-0. Present in the executive session were board members, Mr. Evans and SHS Principal David Glynn.

At 8:35 PM – Motion by Dr. Jeff DeMint, seconded by Kathy Lippert to return to regular session. Motion carried 7-0.

At 8:35 PM a motion was made by Kathy Lippert, seconded by Leslie Scoby to adjourn. Motion carried 7-0.