

Valley Heights Schools - USD 498

Minutes of the Board of Education

November 9, 2020

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The Board of Education of Valley Heights School District No. 498 held its regular meeting on Monday, November 9, 2020, at 6:00 p.m., at the Valley Heights High School Library in Blue Rapids, Kansas. Board President David Vermetten called the regular meeting order.

ROLL CALL

Board Members Present: David Vermetten, President; Sharon Osborne, Vice-President; Mike Vermetten, Melva Sanner, Theresa Minihan, Robert Chase and John Walsh.

Others Present: Melissa Kennedy, Superintendent; Teresa Penning, Clerk; Robert Green, Elem. Principal; and Chad Kenworthy, Secondary Principal, Sammie Parker, Clayton Reed, Ron Hardin, Kim Hardin and Drew Obermeyer.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

It was moved by Mike Vermetten and seconded by Theresa Minihan to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried 7-0.

PUBLIC FORUM

CONSENT AGENDA

David Vermetten moved, seconded by Sharon Osborne to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Motion carried 7-0. Items on the Consent Agenda were as follows:

- USD 498 Board of Education regular meeting minutes from October 12, 2020 regular meeting, October 26, 2020 Special Meeting and November 2, 2020 Special Meeting.
- Bills Payable
- USD 498 Willson Fund request (See Attached)
- Non-certified Contract Approval - Ashley Smith Preschool/KinderPrep
- Treasurer's Report
- Accept Donation from Steve Carlson Family to the After School Program and FFA and Marcia Wessel for Santa's Gift Shop

ACTION ITEMS

Willson Fund Request

David Vermetten moved, seconded by Mike Vermetten to approve the Waterville Golf Association's request for \$2,500 for upkeep and equipment for the golf course. Motion carried 7-0.

Special Education Advisory Report

David Vermetten moved, seconded by Mike Vermetten to table the Marshall County Special Education Services Cooperative Agreement. Motion carried 7-0.

REPORTS

Maintenance Report

Clayton Reed gave the Maintenance Report.

Principal's Reports

Mr. Kenworthy and Mr. Green gave their respective Principal reports.

Superintendent's Report

Superintendent Melissa Kennedy reported on COVID19, Special Education Advisory Report, School Zone Lights and Calendar Considerations.

Melva Sanner moved, seconded by Mike Vermetten to adjust the 20-21 Calendar to give staff a full week of Thanksgiving Break, no PLC dismissals on Wednesdays starting January 1 and add a 12:30 dismissal every Friday second semester. Motion carried 7-0.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

David Vermetten moved, seconded by Mike Vermetten to go into Executive Session for the purpose of discussing non-elected personnel, for 5 minutes and returning to regular session in this room at 7:01 p.m. Motion carried 7-0.

David Vermetten moved, seconded by Theresa Minihan to go into Executive Session for the purpose of discussing non-elected personnel for 5 minutes and returning to regular session in this room at 7:07 p.m. Motion carried 7-0.

Sharon Osborne moved, seconded by Melva Sanner to go into Executive Session for the purpose of discussing non-elected personnel for 5 minutes and returning to regular session in this room at 8:13 p.m. The Board invited Melissa Kennedy to join at 7:12. Motion carried 7-0.

Sharon Osborne moved, seconded by Melva Sanner to go into Executive Session for the purpose of discussing non-elected personnel issues, for 10 minutes and returning to regular session in this room at 7:25 p.m. inviting Melissa Kennedy to attend. Motion carried 7-0.

ADJOURNMENT

David Vermetten moved, seconded by Sharon Osborne to adjourn. Motion carried 7-0.

Teresa Penning, Clerk

Date