

Valley Heights Schools - USD 498

Minutes of the Board of Education

February 8, 2021

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The Board of Education of Valley Heights School District No. 498 held its regular meeting on Monday, February 8, 2021, at 6:00 p.m., at the Valley Heights High School Library in Blue Rapids, Kansas. Board President David Vermetten called the regular meeting to order.

ROLL CALL

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

Others Present: Melissa Kennedy, Superintendent; Teresa Penning, Clerk; Robert Green, Elem. Principal; Chad Kenworthy, Secondary Principal and Drew Obermeyer.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

It was moved by Mike Vermetten and seconded by Robert Chase to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried 5-0.

PUBLIC FORUM

CONSENT AGENDA

David Vermetten moved, seconded by Sharon Osborne to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Motion carried 5-0. Items on the Consent Agenda were as follows:

- USD 498 Board of Education regular meeting minutes from January 11, 2021 & January 21, 2021 Special Meeting.
- Bills Payable
- USD 498 Willson Fund request (See Attached)
- Treasurer's Report
- Kickhaefer & Buessing Audit Contract for FY 21

REPORTS

Maintenance Report

Melissa Kennedy gave the Maintenance report.

Principal's Reports

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

Superintendent's Report

Superintendent Melissa Kennedy reported on Site Council/Facility Update, HRSA Grant Sustainability, Bridging the GAP, Professional Development, SRO Officer, and FFCRA. (*Theresa Minihan arrived at 6:55 P.M.*)

David Vermetten moved, seconded by Sharon Osborne to approve the expenses related to the SRO Training. Motion carried 6-0.

Policy Updates

Sharon Osborne moved, seconded by Mike Vermetten to approve the KASB Policy updates as presented. Motion carried 6-0.

Individual Board Member Issues

Theresa Minihan moved, seconded by Sharon Osborne to accept David Vermetten's resignation as Board Member and Board President effective February 9, 2021. Motion failed 3-3.

After further discussion, Mike Vermetten moved, seconded by Robert Chase to accept David Vermetten's resignation as Board Member and Board President effective February 9, 2021. Motion carried 5-1.

Break

David Vermetten moved, seconded by Theresa Minihan to take a 5 minute break. Motion carried 6-0.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

David Vermetten moved, seconded by Mike Vermetten to go into Executive Session for the purpose of non-elected personnel, for 5 minutes inviting Mr. Green and returning to regular session in the conference room at 7:47 p.m. Motion carried 6-0.

David Vermetten moved, seconded by Mike Vermetten to go into Executive Session for the purpose of non-elected personnel, for 15 minutes inviting Ms. Kennedy and returning to regular session in the conference room at 8:04 p.m. Motion carried 6-0.

David Vermetten moved, seconded by Sharon Osborne to go into Executive Session for the purpose of discussing Non-elected Personnel, for 10 minutes inviting Ms. Kennedy and returning to regular session in the conference room at 8:16 p.m. Motion carried 6-0.

David Vermetten moved, seconded by Mike Vermetten to go into Executive Session for the purpose of student issues, for 10 minutes inviting Ms. Kennedy and returning to regular session in the conference room at 8:27 p.m. Motion carried 6-0.

Theresa Minihan moved, seconded by Robert Chase to go into Executive Session for the purpose of student issues, for 5 minutes inviting Ms. Kennedy and returning to regular session in the conference room at 8:34 p.m. Motion carried 6-0.

Principal Contracts

No action was taken.

ADJOURNMENT

David Vermetten moved, seconded by Sharon Osborne to adjourn. Motion carried 6-0.

Teresa Penning, Clerk

Date