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Staff Newsletter

May 10, 2021

The Vision and Purpose of Circle USD 375, in partnership with our communities, is to educate each student to be an engaged, knowledgeable, responsible and productive citizen in the 21st Century.

Summary of the Board of Education Meetings

May 10, 2021

REGULAR BOARD MEETING

CALL TO ORDER

President Janet Varner called the May 10, 2021 Board of Education meeting to order at 6:00pm at Circle High School Room 106. Those present were board member Janet Varner, Ben Whiteside, Jake Myers & Kristy Evans. Members present via Zoom meeting: Casey Winchell. Members absent: Jared Swilley & Nathan White. Others present were Superintendent Don Potter, Assistant Superintendent Michael Janzen, Deputy Clerk/Business Manager Elizabeth Turner, Lori Winningham from Butler Community College, Patrons-Chris Hoefer, Steph Cowman, Aaron Paul, Craig Dennison, Abi Hamilton & Tiffany Gooding.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all in attendance.

PUBLIC COMMUNICATIONS

Comments were heard from members of the community.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

The agenda was approved as amended.

CONSENT AGENDA

The agenda was approved as presented.

TREASURER'S REPORT

The treasurer's report was approved as presented.

ADMINISTRATION REPORTS

Principal reports were shared with the board.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Lori Winningham from BCC presented information on the new scholarship program from the state called Kansas Promise Scholarships for graduating seniors.

Mr. Potter shared plans for CHS Graduation and CMS 8th Grade Promotion.

Mr. Potter updated the board in regards to the start of the bond project at the various campus locations.

Mr. Potter discussed summer school expansion to K-12 this year as well as the free breakfast and lunch summer programs.

Mr. Potter discussed ways to summarize information from exit interviews of staff to BOE.

Mr. Potter explained new legislation that has changed the timeline for budget submissions, hearings, and publications.

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NAVIGATING CHANGE

Mr. Potter expressed sincere gratitude to the board, staff parents, students and patrons of the district for working together and getting through a difficult year.

The board approved for masks to be optional for K-6 starting on May 17th and 7-12 on May 24th.

CHS HANDBOOK

The board approved the Circle High School Handbook for 2021-2022 school year with changes as presented.

BFR ENGAGEMENT LETTER

The board approved the BFR Engagement Letter as presented.

KASB MEMBERSHIP

The board approved the proposed 2021-2022 membership, Option 1 to KASB.

TRACTOR PURCHASE

The board approved the purchase of a compact tractor.

SB 40 HEARING OFFICER

The board approved Michael Janzen to be appointed as SB 40 Hearing Officer.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

The board moved into executive session for legal consultation pursuant to the exception deemed privileged in the attorney-client relationship under KOMA.

The board returned to open session.

PERSONNEL

The board approved the following personnel recommendations as amended and retirements with appreciation for years of service to the district.

Resignation

Logan Clothier– CHS Assistant Boys Basketball, Jeff Falkner– CMS Assistant Football Coach,
Jeff Stauffer– CHS Assistant Boys Soccer

Resignation End of 2020-2021 School Year

Kirsten Conway– CBE 3rd Grade, Kali Stearns– CTE 5th Grade/CHS Assistant Volleyball,
Ryan Tarletsky– CHS Journalism

Retirement

Beverly Gracey– CBE Classroom Aide

Transfer for the 2021-2022 School Year

Jenna Anderson from CTE 4th Grade to CTE 5th Grade

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business before the board, President Janet Varner declared the meeting adjourned at 8:09 pm.