

MINUTES
REGULAR USD 251 BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING

March 6, 2018 at 6:00 p.m.

1. OPENING ITEMS:

The regular meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Matt Horton in the BOE meeting room in Americus.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

Matt Horton, Angela Anderson, David Goldsmith Jr, Tim Burton, Tammie Reed, and Mitchell Maxfield.

SUPERINTENDENT:

Aron Dody

BOARD CLERK:

Nicolette Nuessen

GUESTS:

Guest list attached.

2. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA WITH CONSENT ITEMS AS FOLLOWS:

Angela Anderson (Tim Burton) moved to approve the agenda with consent items as follows, moving item 6.a. Superintendent search to 2.c. Motion passed. (4-2, Maxfield M., Reed T.)

a. Approval of minutes from regular board meeting held on February 21, 2018

b. Approval of expenditures from February 1 – 28, 2018

c. 6.a. Superintendent search:

Craig Wilford from KASB offered to help with the Superintendent search. This service is at no cost to the district. He proposed hiring an interim Superintendent for 2 years, based on rationales someone with experience would be fitting. The plan is to start interviews within a couple of weeks. Mr. Wilford asked the board to complete a short survey to help him have a better understanding of the type of Superintendent the district is looking for. Within the next week each BOE member shall submit 5 interview questions to the Clerk. The Board will have to decide what the interview day will look like. Special meetings will be scheduled.

Craig Wilford left the meeting at 6:38 p.m.

3. COMMUNICATION TO AND FROM THE BOARD:

a. Report of Clerk:

The clerk handed out mail.

b. Report of President:

The President sends his thoughts and prayers to the Galloway family. He further said that busy times are ahead for the BOE, big decisions will have to be made.

David Goldsmith Jr. pointed out that a fellow board member was recording the meeting without stating the fact at the beginning of the meeting. Tammie Reed admitted she is recording it for personal reasons. Clerk will check with KASB on legality of such recordings.

c. Report of Superintendent:

The Superintendent sends thoughts and prayers to the Galloway family and announced funeral services. He further said that the Gemini project will be put on hold for the remainder of the school year, hopefully will start back up next year. He reported from the KansansCan Symposium and spoke of the snow days that will need to be made up.

4. COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC:

Reta Jackson said schools belong in communities. Closing a school won't fix what is wrong with the district. She challenges the BOE to represent the patrons and children of the entire district.

John Maxfield spoke of safety and security in our schools and feels that something needs to be done.

Gary Heine said trust is very important. Saying that during the last bond the BOE stated that no school will be closed, 90 days later their closing a school. He also said there is no shame on voting no.

Nancy Wells commended the BOE for wanting to fix things and moving forward. Admire school needed to be closed because of the buildings state, Reading school needs to be closed because of inefficiencies.

Evan Wilson spoke on declining rural population. He said that there are families here, new families have moved into the district. He feels that the school needs to be where the population is.

The President said that the district is looking at ways to evaluate and work on the security in our buildings.

5. OLD BUSINESS:

a. Investment grade audit:

Tim Burton (Angela Anderson) moved to approve P1 Group to do an investment grade audit. Motion passed. (6-0) P1 Group will perform the audit. If BOE acts on any of the proposed items, the audit will be free. Shall the BOE decide not to act on any proposals, the audit will cost \$7,000.

b. Public hearing, date, time, and location:

Tim Burton (Angela Anderson) moved to approve the following date, time, and location for the public hearing for the closure of Reading School. Wednesday, March 28th, 2018 at 7 p.m. in the Board of Education Meeting Room in Americus, KS. Motion passed. (4-2, Reed T., Maxfield M.)

c. Intent to negotiate letter:

Matt Horton, Angela Anderson, and Aron Dody will meet to determine this year's intent to negotiate letter. Letter is due by March 31st each year.

6. NEW BUSINESS:

a. Superintendent search:

Item was moved to 2.c.

b. Board vacancy:

Angela Anderson (David Goldsmith Jr) moved to approve the publication of the board vacancy notice. Interviews of interested applicants will be conducted during the meeting, in open session on April 25th, 2018. Motion passed. (6-0)

7. PERSONNEL/STUDENTS:

a. Executive Session:

None

b. Recommendations:

Tim Burton (Angela Anderson) moved to offer a supplemental contract to Elly Dice, as co-head softball coach at NHHS for the 2018 spring season. Motion passed. (6-0)

Tim Burton (Angela Anderson) moved to offer work agreements to Gary Griffith as head custodian at Reading, and Christopher Shifflett as day custodian at NHHS, for the remainder of the 2017-18 school year. Motion passed. (6-0)

c. Resignations:

None

8. BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS:


Angela Anderson thanked Mr. Wilford for being willing to help with the superintendent search. KASB has great people, they are great to work with.

Matt Horton said that KASB is very helpful. Further said that the seniors are almost done, he wishes them well. He gave kudos to the staff during these tough times, he appreciates all of them a lot.

David Goldsmith Jr is excited about spring sports and activities. He's glad the band trip to Disney is taking place and hopes they have a lot of fun.

9. ADJOURNMENT:

Tim Burton (Angela Anderson) moved to adjourn the meeting. Motion passed. (6-0)
The meeting adjourned at 7:29 p.m.


Nicolette Nuessen, Board Clerk

"These minutes are unofficial until approved at the next meeting."

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Please sign in!

<u>Print Name:</u>	<u>Signature:</u>	<u>Time:</u>
Gary Heine	Gary Heine	5:41 P.M.
Boba Kathy Reust		
Kayla Burton	Kayla Burton	5:39
Ronda Hopper	Ronda Hopper	5:40
Dodie Doudine	Dodie Doudine	5:45
Jana Smart	Jana Smart	5:49
Darin McElbough	Darin McElbough	
Katherine McElbough		5:51
Josh Smart	Josh Smart	5:51
Kristle Tarver	Kristle Tarver	5:52
Nancy Wells	Nancy Wells	5:53
Lauren Rust	Lauren Rust	5:54
Peggy Ziegler	Peggy Ziegler	5:55
Carol Brock	Carol Brock	5:55
Dennis Brock	Dennis Brock	5:55
Beta Jackson	Beta Jackson	5:55
Mary Ann Newton	Mary Ann Newton	5:55
Shirley Horton	Shirley Horton	5:55
John Maxwell	John Maxwell	5:57
Barley Thibault		
Bill Leffler		6:00
Jacquelyne Leffler		6:00

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Print Name:

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Britney Hinnrichs

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Lisa D. Presner

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Todd Presner

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