

THE AUGUST 16, 2021 REGULAR BOARD OF EDUCATION MINUTES OF RIVERSIDE UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT #114, DONIPHAN COUNTY, STATE OF KANSAS

A regular meeting of the Riverside USD 114 Board of Education was held Monday, August 16, 2021, in the District Office Conference Room, 1409 Vermont, Elwood, KS 66024.

The meeting was called to order at 5:30 PM by the president, Jennifer Davis. Members present were vice-president Barb Derrick, Sue Bartley, Erin Shackelford, Chris Hewins, Jeff Hartman, and Jessica Herbster. Also present were John Whetzal, Superintendent, Vicki Wyatt, Clerk, Joel Euler, Attorney, Leslie Rullman, Technology Director, Khris Haedt, Primary School Principal, and Craig Bauman.

Chris Hewins offered a prayer.

Barb Derrick moved and Jeff Hartman seconded the motion to approve the agenda. The motion was unanimously approved.

Barb Derrick moved and Jeff Hartman seconded the motion to adopt the agenda and approval of the consent agenda. The motion was unanimously approved.

No public presentation.

Jennifer Davis asked the board if they had looked at and had any questions about the administrative reports from the principals.

Mr. Whetzal shared that enrollment numbers appear to be up. Due to lack of drivers the Bus Routes will be reduced to three with three pick-up stops in each community. Routes and pickup time will be posted tomorrow. He shared a discussion on K-Jump and the new gas provider Wood River. Jessica Herbster moved and Jeff Hartman seconded the motion to approve the KASB recommendation to make Wood River the new gas provider. The motion was unanimously approved. Mr. Whetzal will be purchasing a new lawn mower from Bruna Implement. Discussion on possible redevelopment plans for the sports facility on West Campus. He is working on bids for the projected gym floor refinishing during the summer of 2022. Shared that the district staff had the budget review with Veryl Peters at KSDE. A discussion followed.

Mr. Whetzal shared the financials and stated there was no legislative activity this past month.

After a short discussion, Erin Shackelford moved and Barb Derrick seconded the motion to approve the BOE District Goals as presented. The motion was unanimously approved.

After a short discussion, Jessica Herbster moved and Barb Derrick seconded the motion to approve adding the student notebook computer loan agreement to the Middle School enrollment packet and handbook. The motion was unanimously approved.

Jessica Herbster moved and Erin Shackelford seconded the motion to go into executive session for 15 minutes at 6:05 PM, to discuss the proposal for negotiated agreement changes pursuant to the exception for employer-employee negotiations under KOMA, , and the open meeting will resume in the board room at 6:20 PM. The motion was unanimously approved.

Jessica Herbster moved and Chris Hewins seconded the motion to go into executive session for 10 minutes at 6:25 PM, to discuss the proposal for negotiated agreement changes pursuant to the exception for employer-employee negotiations under KOMA, , and the open meeting will resume in the board room at 6:35 PM. The motion was unanimously approved.

The above executive sessions were needed to protect the privacy rights of identifiable individuals. Present were John Whetzal, Vicki Wyatt, and Joel Euler.

Erin Shackelford moved and Jeff Hartman seconded the motion to go into executive session for 10 minutes at 6:18 PM, to discuss an individual employee’s performance pursuant to non-elected personnel exception under KOMA, and the open meeting will resume in the board room at 6:28 PM. The motion was unanimously approved.

Jessica Herbster moved and Barb Derrick seconded the motion to go into executive session for 20 minutes at 6:36 PM, to discuss an individual employee’s performance pursuant to non-elected personnel exception under KOMA, and the open meeting will resume in the board room at 6:56 PM. The motion was unanimously approved.

The above executive sessions were needed to protect the privacy rights of identifiable individuals. Present were John Whetzal and Joel Euler.

Jessica Herbster moved and Erin Shackelford seconded the motion to accept the hiring recommendations of Brad Williams, Custodian; Donita Swafford, Custodian effective August 9th; Cambry Roach, High School Assistant Volleyball Coach; McKinley Smith and Saydee Cochran-Rice as Middle School Head Volleyball Coaches. The motion was unanimously approved.

Jessica Herbster moved and Chris Hewins seconded the motion to approve the negotiations agreement/staff rates as presented which includes approval of Aetna health insurance bid and recommended staff merit pay. The motion was unanimously approved.

The clerk shared with the Board of Education thank you notes from Vicki Wyatt, Jennifer Euler announced that a football fundraiser is Sunday at the Wathena Community Center, and Sue Bartley thanked the staff for the food and set up for Mr. Andersons funeral.

Erin Shackelford moved and Jeff Hartman seconded the motion to adjourn. The motion was unanimously approved. The meeting was adjourned at 6:59 PM.

_____ Vicki Wyatt, Clerk Board of Education Unified School District #114 Doniphan County, KS	_____ Jennifer Davis, President Board of Education Unified School District 114 Doniphan County, KS
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