

# MINUTES OF BOARD OF EDUCATION

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R-12-FY23

**REGULAR OPEN SESSION**      **Elementary Multi-purpose room**      **6:30 p.m May 16, 2023**

## BOARD MEMBERS

### PRESENT

### ABSENT

Shawn Strong, President

Hannah Swann, Vice-President

Mark Baker, Secretary

Naomi Klouzek, Treasurer

Lori Greer, Member

Jamie Bish, Member

Brett Phillips, Member

## ADMINISTRATIVE PERSONNEL PRESENT

Mr. Robert James, Superintendent and Custodian of Records- jamesb@linn.k12.mo.us

Erin Sassmann, MS/HS Principal

Tracy Kingsley, Elementary Principal

Chris Minnix, Athletic Director

Eric Morfeld, Technology Director

Cliff Wilson, Maintenance Director

Riley Glenn Special Education Director

Chelsie Miller, Recording Secretary

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| R 113 Call to Order          | President Shawn Strong called to order the open session meeting at 6:30 p.m. with 6 board members present one absent (Lori Greer)  |
| R 114 Agenda                 | Brett Phillips made a motion to approve agenda as presented.<br><br>Hannah Swann seconded the motion.<br><br>VOTE: 1-Aye, 0-Nay. Motion carried.                               |
| R 115 Open Forum             | No one signed up for Open Forum.   |
| R 116 Approve Consent Agenda | Brett Phillips moved to approve the consent agenda consisting of approval of Regular Open Session minutes R-9-FY23 dated February 21, 2023.<br>Mark Baker seconded the motion. |

VOTE: 6-Aye, 0-Nay. Motion carried.

Jamie Bish made a motion to approve the JH girls' basketball overnight trip to Rolla MO.

Mark Baker Seconded the motion.

VOTE: 6-Aye, 0-Nay. Motion carried.

**R117 Transfers and  
Payments of Bills**

Naomi Klouzek moved to approve the transfers and payment of Bills as presented.

Mark Baker seconded the motion.

VOTE: 6-Aye, 0-Nay. Motion carried.

**R118 Reports**

Tracy Kingsley Presented the Elementary report. May 8<sup>th</sup> was the last PD day of the year and Dr. Brown came in and worked with the teachers on reading data. Elementary finished up Map testing and got to enjoy an awesome day at the park for all their hard work. Elementary had a bike safety day to go over all the ins and outs of riding a bike. Field day was a huge success thanks to Mr. Ham for putting it all together and having it all run so smoothly. A big thank you to the PTO for all their amazing support and contributions to class field trips this school year. All classes enjoyed their field's tips and made lots of memories. It's been a great Wildcat year for the Elementary Students!!

Erin Sassmann presented the MS/HS report- the teachers and staff have been working hard to improve the Map scores, making changes to curriculum, adding bell ringer each day to implement same types of questions they will see on the test. Sassmann is hoping to see some big improvements in next year's test scores. The leadership team is updating and making changes to the student handbook that Sassmann will present to the board hopefully in the next board meeting. HS graduation went very well. We graduated 58 students this school year. 38 students received A+. 19 students received other Scholarships. Our Seniors were awarded \$631.72 in Scholarships!! Our starting enrollment for this school year was 318 students and we are ending the school year with 332 stated.

Chris Minnix presented the Athletics report- Presented on the new Conference that will be made official at the end of May and they will come together and start looking at dates and travel for the 2024-2025 school year. Athletic stipends stated with phase one of increases for the 2023-2024 school year. Minnix and James sat down to go over the Athletic Budget and they are happy to report that the budget is looking very good for next school year and being able to fulfill some great needs for all the coaches. Track had 6 athletes qualifying for state that will begin on May 18. Baseball lost in the quarterfinals of District play but had a great season with a young team so things are looking bright. Golf received 4<sup>th</sup> in state on May 16<sup>th</sup> with two very hard weather conditions days. Jett Maasen received 7<sup>th</sup> in individual State.

Mr. James presented the Superintendent report, Mrs. Higginbotham was on Campus May 16<sup>th</sup> for a meet and greet with teachers, staff and Kiddos! Next years Plan for PD will be to focus on school goals and individual building goals as a district. Budget and Finance are looking good for next school year and for the years to come as will be further discussed later in the meeting.

#### R119 Discussion

Budget  
Preparing/preliminary  
figures

Mr. James presented figures about the 2023-2024 budget showing a conservative budget with still availability's to add to the teacher base salary.

Budget Workshop

A date was set for the board members and Mr. James for the budget workshop on May 24<sup>th</sup> @ 6:00pm

Board Meeting 2023-2024

Board members decided on moving all board meeting to the third Thursday of every month and on month that the meeting falls after payroll a message will be sent out for members to come in and sign checks beforehand.

Approved reading  
assessment list

Mr. James presented to the board that DESE has changed the list of approved reading assessments for next school year 2023-2024. The current provider we use is not on this list (Evaluate), Mr. James has put in a call to DESE to see if we can still use Evaluate while transitioning over to a new reading program. He has not heard back from them at this time.

Long Range Planning- next step

Mr. James presented that he had a Bond kick off meeting on May 3 and Navigate was also present in the meeting. In the meeting they went over the teacher questionnaire that was sent out of needs they would like to be seen improved. Mr. James also has a meeting planned for May 17<sup>th</sup> with Scott from Navigate to go over a Master Schedule of improvements. April 2024 we can re-bond and then again in 5 years and 10 years.

120 Action Items

Tax Penalty- Approve law firm

Mark Baker made a motion to approve Carker Law firm for tax penalties.  
Naomi Klouzek seconded the motion.

VOTE: 6-Aye, 0-Nay. Motion carried

Move food services into district

Jamie Bish made a motion to approve bring food services into the district

Brett Phillips seconded the motion.

Approve F1 to F4 transfer

VOTE: 6-Aye, 0-Nay. Motion carried

Brett Phillips made a motion to approve fund transfers from F1 to F4.

Mark Baker seconded the motion

VOTE: 6-Aye, 0-Nay. Motion carried

Summer maintenance Projects/ Part time help

Naomi made a motion to approve the hiring of part time summer help

Hannah Swann seconded the motion

VOTE: 6-Aye, 0-Nay. Motion carried

R121 Announcements

Next regular board meeting will be on June 20, 2023 @ 6:30 p.m.

R122 Adjournment to Closed session

Brett Phillips moved to adjourn to closed session pursuant to RSMO 610.021, subsections .13 “relating to individually identifiable personnel records, performance rating or records pertaining to employees or applicants for employment”, .03 “relating to hiring, firing, disciplining or promoting of personnel of a public governmental body when personal merit or performance is discussed or recorded, and. 06 “relating to scholastic probation expulsion, or graduation of identifiable individuals, including records of individual test and examination scores”, and .01 “relating to legal actions, causes of action or litigation involving a public governmental body and any confidential or privileged communications between a public governmental body or its representatives and its attorneys”.

Jamie Bish second the motion.

ROLL CALL: Mark Baker, Aye; Hannah Swann, Aye; Naomi Klouzek, Aye; Jamie Bish, Aye; Shawn Strong, Aye; Brett Phillips, Aye.

VOTE: 6-Aye, 0-Nay. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:36 p.m.

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President

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Secretary