

Unofficial Minutes

May 14, 2018
Wabaunsee USD 329
District Office
7:00 pm

Kelly Oliver, President, called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm with the Pledge of Allegiance. All Board Members were present.

Kelly Oliver moved to approve the following changes to the agenda: Special Reports-Add #5 Chad Kelley; Personnel-Add #3 Resignation-Brandi Miller-WHS Assistant Volleyball Coach, Jeff Stuewe-WHS Principal, Skyler Suther-WHS Summer Weights; Employment-Add #4 B. WHS FACS/FCCLA-Diane Breiner, E. WHS Boys Basketball Coach-Jim Channel, F. WHS Assistant ½ time Volleyball Coach-Cara Flach, G. WHS Assistant ½ time Volleyball Coach-Cathy Smart. Don Frank seconded the motion. Motion carried 7-0.

The following people spoke to the Board of Education: Debbie Nutter, WHS cook, addressed the Board of Education with her disappointment in our food service vendor OPAA! Mary Thowe, Wabaunsee Jr. High/Paxico Middle School head cook, spoke to the Board of Education about her concerns with OPAA! Topics she covered were the minimal recipes that have been used (42 of 560) and repetitive menus (chicken patties 4 out of 6 days). She provided information to the Board of Education from Thompson Foods, who have said they could provide the same services as OPAA! Claudia McKinsey, retired USD 329 teacher, presented the board with a post card she found while in Hawaii. On the card was "Board Meeting in Hawaii" showing the ocean and people carrying surf boards. She signed the card "I love USD 329! Claudia McKinsey 2018". The board thanked her for thinking of them. Ashley Weber reported on the state meeting held April 16 & 17. Lizzie Erikson's Star Event placed Gold; Laurel Barber, Katelyn Meseke, Hadley Schreiner, Kinsey Stuewe, & Kassidi Huff's events placed 1st. Laurel, Katelyn, and Hadley's events qualified for Nationals and Laurel and Katelyn were both inducted as state officers. Kylie Evans & Sydney Swenson's event placed 3rd, and Jessica Vanstory's event placed 2nd. Chad Kelley questioned the Board of Education about Coach Skyler Suther not being rehired for coaching basketball. Board President, Kelly Oliver explained due to the fact his concern deals with Personnel, the Board of Education cannot discuss it.

There were written reports from the Principals. Mrs. Hutley had nothing to add to her report. Mr. Oliver recognized the 8th grade girls track team for being Mid East League Champions. He thanked Coaches Soderlund and Murray for all their hard work. He asked the Board of Education members to please let him know if they are planning to attend 8th Grade Promotion, which will be held at the Wabaunsee Junior High Gym on Monday, May 21st. Mr. Stuewe invited the Board members to WHS Graduation. It will be held on Sunday, May 20 at 2:00 pm. He shared the high school was hosting regional baseball. Kelly Oliver thanked all the administrators for hosting The Leader In Me Tour that was held on Friday, May 11. The Board was very impressed with the staff and students and were very pleased with how The Leader In Me is having a positive affect in our buildings. Technology Director Austin Lawrence and WHS CAD teacher Amy Cassell, demonstrated the new platform we will be changing to, for the district web page and new APP. Maintenance Director Fred Johnson, Food Service Director Kathy Mickey, and Assistant Food Service Director Deb Westhoff submitted written reports.

Don Frank moved to approve the consent agenda which included: Approval of the April 9, 2018 Regular Meeting minutes; Approval of the May 11, 2018 Special Meeting minutes; Payment of May bills; Approve FCCLA National Convention Request; Approve \$200 donation to the FFA Banquet. Conrad seconded. Motion carried 7-0

Old & New Business: Mr. Starnes shared information on curriculum discussions. KASB research has been done and we are 1 of 8 statewide 5/6 buildings. Their findings showed both pros and cons on both sides of this issue. He addressed the block vs blended/modified block schedule, and there are pros and cons to both schedules. Including more student contact time and losing Vocational Ed. class options. He reviewed the long range budgeting items, state funding, and bond debt.

At 7:58 pm, Oliver moved to go into executive session to discuss OPAA!, iPad Lease Agreement, Property & Casualty Insurance, and Audit Services pursuant to the exception for data relating to financial affairs or trade secrets of corporations, partnerships, trusts, and individual proprietorships under KOMA, and the open meeting will resume in the board room at 8:15. Conrad seconded. Motion carried 7-0. Mr. Starnes was included in the session. The Board reconvened at 8:15 pm.

Don Frank motioned to approve the Food Service Agreement with OPAA!. Justin Frank seconded. Motion carried 7-0

Justin Frank moved to approve the iPad Lease Agreement. Murray seconded. Motion carried 7-0.

Don Frank moved to approve the Property and Casualty Insurance renewal with CBIZ, keeping deductibles the same. Conrad seconded. Motion carried 7-0

Don Frank moved to approve Audit Services with Varney & Associates. Murray seconded. Motion carried 7-0

At 8:21 pm, Oliver moved to go into executive session 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 8:55 pm. Justin Frank seconded. Motion carried 7-0. Mr. Starnes was included in the session. Hess left the session at 8:33 pm. The board reconvened at 8:55 pm.

At 8:55 pm, Oliver moved to go into executive session 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 9:10 pm. Murray seconded. Motion carried 6-0. Mr. Starnes and Principal Stuewe were included in the session. The board reconvened at 9:10 pm.

Mr. Starnes shared with the board we are currently advertising through the Special Services CO-OP for a K-12 Social Worker/TLIM coordinator and ½ time 5-8 Counselor. We have had 4-5 applicants for the Social Worker/TLIM coordinator position.

Don Frank moved to approve the following resignations: WHS Concession Stand Manager-Shelly Haya, WHS Assistant Volleyball Coach-Brandi Miller, WHS Principal-Jeff Stuewe, and WHS Summer Weights-Skyler Suther. Justin Frank seconded. Motion carried 6-0. Kelly Oliver thanked Principal Stuewe for all he has done for WHS. Mr. Starnes thanked him also.

Conrad moved to approve the following employments: 5th grade English/Language Arts-Tammy Holmberg, WHS FACS/FCCLA-Diane Breiner, Elementary Vocal Music-Peter Ruby, WHS Head Girls Volleyball-Tracy Capoun, WHS Assistant ½ time Volleyball Coach-Cara Flach, WHS Assistant ½ time Volleyball Coach-Cathy Smart, and to table WHS Head Boys basketball Coach-Jim Channel. Murray seconded. Motion carried 6-0

Superintendent/Board Member comments: Mr. Starnes reviewed the latest information on the finance bill. Oliver commented that after listening to the legislature, she found it interesting that the state group that was hired to review educational spending, found Kansas schools were the most efficient in their spending. Mr. Starnes thanked the board members who were able to attend TLIM visitation that was held last Friday, at each of the district's buildings. Oliver commented she was very impressed with the positive changes she is seeing with our students through The Leader In Me program. Mr. Starnes reported he has been contacted by other administrators, about TLIM. He said he received good feedback from Commissioner of Education, Dr. Randy Watson after his visit in April.

Conrad moved to adjourn. Don Frank seconded. Motion passed 6-0. Meeting adjourned at 9:20 pm.

Submitted by Cheryl Zeller
Clerk