

Board of Education Meeting  
June 13, 2022  
Meeting Time at 6:30 p.m.

- I. Roll Call
  - II. Additions to and Adoption of the Agenda
  - III. Consent Agenda
    - a. Approval of minutes of previous meeting
    - b. Report and action on bills submitted
    - c. Approval of treasurer's statement
    - d. Teen Health Textbooks
    - e. High School Math Department Textbooks
  - IV. Reports and comments of principals, committees, visitors
  - V. Report of superintendent
  - VI. Old Business
    - a.
  - VII. New Business
    - a. 2021-2022 Budget Close Out Motion
    - b. 2022-2023 MJSHS Handbook Changes
    - c. 2022-2023 MGS Handbook Changes
    - d. Safe and Secure Schools
    - e. Classified Salary Considerations
    - f. Executive Session-Student Matters
    - g. Executive Session- Non-elected personnel
    - h. Salary Considerations for Administration
    - i. Employee Resignation(s)
    - j. Employee Confirmation(s)
    - k. July 2022 Board Meeting agenda items
  - VIII. Adjournment
- Citizens may address the board on agenda or non-agenda items only during the "Visitor" portion of the meeting. Although comments may be made on almost any matter related to the operation of schools, comments will not be allowed concerning individual students or staff members. School board meetings are private meetings held in a public setting. All patrons are welcome and all are welcome to comment during this time. Please keep in mind that the board will listen, and then if there is a concern that needs addressed the board president will have the building administrator or superintendent reach out to you.



USD 239 North Ottawa County

Regular Meeting of the Board of Education  
Monday, June 13, 2022, 6:30 pm

Brigitte Nelson called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm.

1. ROLL CALL

Members Present: Justin Abell, Brigitte Nelson, Tyrel Owens, Tara Sanchez, and Brooke Pickrell

Members Absent: Brandon Sauers and Richard Shupe

Others Present: Superintendent, Chris Vignery; Board Clerk; Keri Ymballa

Principals: Pat Anderson and Terry Moeckel

Patrons: Margie Christensen, Scott Ausherman, Tarin Hauck, Kathy Scharplaz, and Amanda Rensink.

President Nelson led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

**Motion to approve the Agenda as presented.**

Moved by Justin Abell, second by Tyrell Owens

Final Resolution: Motion carries 5-0

Yea, by show of hands: J.Abell, B. Nelson, T.Owens, T.Sanchez, B. Pickrell

Nay, same sign: None

3. CONSENT AGENDA

**Motion to approve the Consent Agenda.**

Moved by Justin Abell, second by Tara Sanchez

Final Resolution: Motion carries 5-0

Yea, by show of hands: J.Abell, B. Nelson, T.Owens, T.Sanchez, B. Pickrell

Nay, same sign: None

4. REPORT AND COMMENTS OF PRINCIPALS, COMMITTEES AND VISITORS

President, Brigitte Nelson asked if there were any comments from visitors.

Margie Christensen – Margie wanted to show her support for the changes in the handbooks. She believes the district needs to be sure to strengthen administering discipline. Changes are easy to vote on but hard to implement. There needs to be commitment from the board and parents.

Kathy Scharplaz – Kathy wanted to make sure the district was aware of the fact that our federal school lunch money is dependent on the district making changes on gender identity and inclusiveness. She is very concerned with this. Males being allowed in female bathrooms/locker rooms and females being allowed in male bathrooms and locker rooms is a safety concern. There are law suits pending and this ruling is not finalized. She really hopes that it doesn't get finalized but wants to make sure our district is prepared. Mr. Vignery said the district is aware of this and he has consulted with KASB regarding this ruling. They advised that there is nothing finalized and they really don't have any other information to pass on yet. They also suggested not making any policy changes yet. They will notify the district when there is an update.

Pat Anderson had submitted her written report online, highlighted as follows:

- Summer school is in session with approximately 69 students attending.
- Preparing building for new school year.
- All open positions have been filled.

Terry Moeckel reported the following:

- Driver's Ed is in session with 45 students
- Summer school is in session with 13 students
- The 8<sup>th</sup> graders had a successful fun day before the end of school.
- Graduation was successful as well.

Ryan Mortimer – Terry Moeckel reported the following in Ryan's absence:

- A successful track season wrapped up.
- 22-23 activities calendar is completed.
- Summer conditioning is in session with June being busy with sports camps.

## **5. REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT**

- Parent meeting for handbook changes – Nine families were present to discuss handbook changes. Tara Sanchez attended as a parent and board member. There were a lot of good discussions and changes suggested.
- House Bill 2567 – It is now required to put a needs assessment together. This is something we have always done. It will be tied in with the budget and part of the budget hearing. It also will be on the school website. We will need to have all students above a level 2 and will need to work on this. Kansas has one of the highest expectations in the nation. More resources are needed. MJSHS is adding MTSS which will be very helpful.
- House Bill 2446 – Requires a computer science class to be offered by fall of 2023.
- Law Enforcement meeting – A meeting with law enforcement is required every year by the district. It was a successful meeting and helped clarify items for both law enforcement and the school district. A meeting in July has been planned. Meetings every other month are being planned to keep communication open. A drug dog is brought in a couple times a year and this will continue. The police chief and sheriff also have plans for active shooter drills.
- Executive order regarding gender inclusiveness - This was brought up eight years ago by President Obama. The district at that time designated a separate bathroom for this concern. KASB said it will be three to four months before they know anything about the current order. Nothing is confirmed yet.

## **6. OLD BUSINESS**

- a. None

## **7. NEW BUSINESS**

- a. 2021-2022 Budget Close Out Motion

I move that the Superintendent of Schools be allowed to expend the 2021-2022 legal maximum general fund budget and the 2021 – 2022 legal maximum local option budget. The Superintendent is directed to transfer dollars as available to the appropriate funds and to make necessary purchases for the 2022 – 2023 school year in accordance with available funds.

### **Motion to close out the 2021-2022 budget.**

Moved by Brigitte Nelson, second by Justin Abell

Final Resolution: Motion carries 5-0

Yea, by show of hands: J.Abell, B. Nelson, T.Owens, B.Pickrell, T.Sanchez,

Nay, same sign: None

- b. 2022-2023 MJSHS Handbook Changes

- The following changes were discussed for the MJSHS handbook:
  - At the parent meeting it was suggested to also contact any witnesses to incidents. This could take extensive time for Mr. Mortimer to complete. The board discussed that if they were contacted that maybe an email would be more appropriate.

- Incidents happening outside of school – should they be reported to the school? It was suggested that a complaint form could be completed on this so the school was aware if anything came up on school grounds regarding it.
- Earning points back – this is a new item added stating that if the student has good behavior for one month they can earn points back. A discussion was had if that was a long enough timeframe to get points back.
- A discussion on aggravated assault and its definition was had. Differences in assault and assault with a weapon need to be noted.
- It was decided to review the changes more and discuss/approve at the July board meeting.

c. 2022-2023 MGS Handbook changes

- The following changes to the MGS handbook were discussed:
  - Behavior reports emailed instead of mailed. Mrs. Anderson stated they plan to both email and mail.
  - Students are not allowed to enter the building earlier than 7:30 a.m.
  - Updated health information.
  - Updated racial policy.
  - Cell phone emphasis added. They need to be in book bags and turned off during school.
  - Updated board policies.
- Margie Christensen asked to speak and President Nelson approved - How does the district plan to hold administration accountable? Does there need to be a board member liaison? Principals should report monthly how many class a, b, c, etc., offenses have happened. The board needs to be aware and needs to have a plan.

d. Safe and Secure Schools

- Motorola has a grant that the district can apply for that provides a scanner that students walk through and it detects weapons. Mr. Vignery plans to apply for this grant.
- A resource officer for the district is a possibility as well.

e. Classified Salary Considerations

**Motion to approve a classified staff raises as presented.**

Moved by Justin Abell, second by Tyrell Owens

Final Resolution: Motion carries 5-0

Yea, by show of hands: J.Abell, B. Nelson, T.Owens, T.Sanchez, B. Pickrell

Nay, same sign: None

f. Executive-Session-Student Matters

**The Board of Education moved to go into Executive Session for 20 minutes to discuss student matters pursuant to KOMA, and the open meeting will resume at 8:51 pm, at which time there will be no additional discussion. No action will be taken during executive session. Executive session for these reasons is authorized by KSA 65-4319.**

Moved by Tyrell Owens, second by Justin Abell

Final Resolution: Motion carries 5-0

Yea, by show of hands: J.Abell, B. Nelson, T.Owens, B.Pickrell, T.Sanchez

Nay, same sign: None

8:31 pm: Five board members recessed to executive session

8:31 pm: Superintendent Vignery and Principal Terry Moeckel joined executive session

8:51 pm: the Board returned to open session.

**The Board of Education moved to extend Executive Session for 15 minutes, to resume the open meeting at 9:06 pm.**

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Moved by Tyrell Owens, second by Tara Sanchez

Final Resolution: Motion carries 5-0

Yea, by show of hands: J.Abell, B. Nelson, T.Owens, B.Pickrell, T.Sanchez

Nay, same sign: None

8:51 pm: Five board members recessed to executive session

8:51 pm: Superintendent Vignery and Principal Terry Moeckel joined executive session

9:06 pm: Five board members returned to open session

No action taken.

g. Executive Session-Non-Elected Personnel.

**The Board of Education moved to go into Executive Session for 10 minutes to discuss non-elected personnel pursuant to KOMA, and the open meeting will resume at 9:17 pm, at which time there will be no additional discussion. No action will be taken during executive session. Executive session for these reasons is authorized by KSA 65-4319.**

Moved by Tyrell Owens, second by Tara Sanchez

Final Resolution: Motion carries 5-0

Yea, by show of hands: J.Abell, B. Nelson, T.Owens, B.Pickrell, T.Sanchez

Nay, same sign: None

9:07 pm: Five board members recessed to executive session

9:17 pm: the Board returned to open session.

**Motion to approve the administration pay raises as presented.**

Moved by Justin Abell, second by Tara Sanchez

Final Resolution: Motion carries 5-0

Yea, by show of hands: J.Abell B. Nelson, T.Owens, B.Pickrell, T.Sanchez

Nay, same sign: None

h. Employee Resignation(s).

**Motion to approve the resignation of Jackie Stelter.**

Moved by Tyrell Owens, second by Tara Sanchez

Final Resolution: Motion carries 5-0

Yea, by show of hands: J.Abell B. Nelson, T.Owens, B.Pickrell, T.Sanchez

Nay, same sign: None

i. Employee Confirmation(s).

i. July 11<sup>th</sup>, 2022, Board Meeting Agenda Items

- Review handbooks
- Approve 22-23 budget

8. ADJOURNMENT

**Motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:30 pm.**


Moved by Justin Abell, second by Tyrell Owens

Final Resolution: Motion carries 5-0

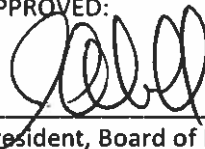
Yea, by show of hands: J.Abell, B. Nelson, T.Owens, B.Pickrell, T.Sanchez

Nay, same signs: None

ATTEST:

  
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Clerk, Board of Education  
Unified School District No. 239  
Ottawa County, State of Kansas

APPROVED:

  
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President, Board of Education  
Unified School District No. 239  
Ottawa County, State of Kansas