

Board of Education Meeting
January 9, 2023
Meeting Time at 6:30 p.m.

- I. Roll Call
- II. Election of Board Officers
- III. Additions to and Adoption of the Agenda
- IV. Consent Agenda
 - a. Approval of minutes of previous meeting
 - b. Report and action on bills submitted
 - c. Approval of treasurer's statement
 - d. Approval of Board Meetings February through June
- V. Reports and comments of principals, committees, visitors
 - a. JAG-Kansas
- VI. Report of superintendent
- VII. Old Business
 - a. MTSS Update
- VIII. New Business
 - a. Board Policy Updates
 - b. Executive Session-Negotiations
 - c. Executive Session—Non-elected personal
 - d. Superintendent Contract
 - e. Employee Resignation(s)
 - f. Employee Confirmation(s)
 - g. February 13, 2023, Board Meeting agenda items
- IX. 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, January 9th, 6:30 pm

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

1. ROLL CALL

Members Present: Justin Abell, Brigitte Nelson, Brandon Sauers, Richard Shupe, Tara Sanchez, Brooke Pickrell, and Tyrel Owens via Zoom.

Members Absent: None.

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

Principals: Terry Moeckel, Pat Anderson, and Assistant Principal Ryan Mortimer

Patrons: Jay Macy, Shilo Nichols, Aydin Brown, Tanner Norris, Kathy Scharplaz, and Candice Sauers

President Nelson led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance

2. ELECTION OF BOARD OFFICERS

Brooke Pickrell nominated Tara Sanchez as board president.

Motion to appoint Tara Sanchez as school board president.

Moved by Brooke Pickrell, second by Richard Shupe

Final Resolution: Motion carries 7-0

Yea, by show of hands: J.Abell, B. Nelson, R. Shupe, B. Sauers, B. Pickrell, T. Sanchez, T. Owens (via zoom)

Nay, same sign: None

Justin Abell nominated Brandon Sauers as board vice president.

Motion to appoint Brandon Sauers as board vice president.

Moved by Justin Abell, second by Richard Shupe

Final Resolution: Motion carries 5-2

Yea, by show of hands: J.Abell, B. Nelson, R. Shupe, B. Sauers, T. Owens (via zoom)

Nay, same sign: B. Pickrell, T. Sanchez

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion to approve the addition of agenda items H – New Cell Phone Policy for MJSHS and I – Executive Session for Student Matters.

Moved by Brigitte Nelson, second by Justin Abell

Final Resolution: Motion carries 7-0

Yea, by show of hands: J.Abell, B. Nelson, R. Shupe, B. Sauers, B. Pickrell, T. Sanchez, T.Owens (via zoom)

Nay, same sign: None

Motion to approve the Agenda as presented.

Moved by Justin Abell, second by Brandon Sauers

Final Resolution: Motion carries 7-0

Yea, by show of hands: J.Abell, B. Nelson, R. Shupe, B. Sauers, B. Pickrell, T. Sanchez, T. Owens (via zoom)

Nay, same sign: None

3. CONSENT AGENDA

Motion to approve the Consent Agenda.

Moved by Brigitte Nelson, second by Justin Abell

Final Resolution: Motion carries 7-0

Yea, by show of hands: J. Abell, B. Nelson, R. Shupe, B. Sauers, B. Pickrell, T. Sanchez, T. Owens (via zoom)

Nay, same sign: None

4. REPORT AND COMMENTS OF PRINCIPALS, COMMITTEES AND VISITORS

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

JAG-Kansas presentation by Mr. Jay Macy and students:

- Mr. Macy and two students provided an information packet to board members explaining JAG-K
- Mr. Macy provided a brief explanation of the class and the opportunities it provides.
- Students Tanner Norris and Ayden Brown presented on their experience with JAG-K so far this year. Tanner Norris said there have been several opportunities to learn about career fields. He has learned that it is ok to get out of your comfort zone, how to greet properly, first impressions are key in interviews, and how to make a cover letter and resume. He feels this will all help him tremendously in his future. Ayden Brown then presented and spoke about how much he really enjoyed going to businesses and talking to them about their opportunities.
- Mr. Macy explained the competitions that JAG-KS has in the spring and that he hopes to have several students competing.
- He also wanted to make sure that the board knew that Beverly Mortimer, former USD 239 educator, is second in command of the program for the state of Kansas.

Pat Anderson had submitted her written report online and reviewed as follows:

- An Internet Safety presentation was held for grades 4th-6th. The presentations were held with each grade level making it a smaller setting and more comfortable for students to ask questions.
- Vision screening for all K-6th grade students.
- Monday, 1/16/23 is the next PD day and will be LTRS training.
- Math textbook committee will start meeting.
- Second round of observations on probationary teachers will be performed soon.

Terry Moeckel had submitted his written report online and reviewed as follows:

- Lionbackers provided cookies and hot chocolate the last day before Christmas break.
- The new front doors are installed and look great.
- On 1/16/23 MJSHS teachers are going to Concordia to participate in the NCK PD day. There are keynote speakers and rotations.
- On 1/25/23 there will be an assembly held regarding Covid-19 and the junior high will have an assembly regarding bullying.
- Reality-U: Students will take a questionnaire on how they see their life at age 26. There will be 13 stations that students will spend their money on two different dates. This is to help student learn real life budgeting.

Ryan Mortimer submitted his written report online and reviewed the following:

- Junior High wrestling has begun.
- High School basketball is going well.
- High School wrestling has had a successful season so far as well.
- Getting ready for spring sports.

5. REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT

- Mrs. Tarin Hauck was interviewed for the next TV program to air.
- KESA accreditation – Probably won't hear anything until February or March.
- OPAA! Report – Ilene Mullen reported that there were 1800 breakfasts, 5200 lunches, and 196 staff lunches served in December 2022.
- Mr. Vignery reviewed a spreadsheet showing budget figures and if we are on track for the year.

6. OLD BUSINESS

- MTSS – Mr. Vignery met with Mrs. Hauck. There are currently 13 sixth graders at high risk in reading. Mrs. Hauck presented research to him that shows there is improvement in students with 100-125 hours of extra reading strategies with a specialist. These students would have to miss out on an elective. Letters will be sent in the spring to students who qualify to need the MTSS class. A specialist would need to be hired and would need a teaching license and/or reading specialist training. LTRS training would also be needed. He recommends moving forward with hiring for a full time position at MJSHS.

Motion to approve the hiring of a full-time reading specialist for 7th and 8th grade.

Moved by Brigitte Nelson, second by Richard Shupe

Final Resolution: Motion carries 7-0

Yea, by show of hands: J.Abell, B. Nelson, R. Shupe, B. Sauers, B. Pickrell, T. Sanchez, T. Owens (via zoom)

Nay, same sign: None

7. NEW BUSINESS

- a. Board policy updates – Mr. Vignery reviewed the board policy updates.
- b. Executive Session-Negotiations.
- c. Executive Session-Non-Elected Personnel.

Motion to go into executive session for 10 minutes to discuss matters of non-elected personnel, which is justified under KOMA, in order to protect the privacy interest of the individual(s) to be discussed, and Board members will return to open session at 8:10 p.m., at which time there will be no additional discussion. Parties included in this executive session will be board members only. All others are excused. No action will be taken during executive session. Executive session for these reasons is authorized by KSA 65-4319.

Moved by Brigitte Nelson, second by Justin Abell

Final Resolution: Motion carries 7-0

Yea, by show of hands: J.Abell, B. Nelson, B.Pickrell, T.Sanchez, B. Sauers, R.Shupe, T. Owens (via zoom)

Nay, same sign: None

At 8:10 pm, the Board requested an additional 5 minutes.

Motion to go into executive session for an additional 5 minutes to discuss matters of non-elected personnel, which is justified under KOMA, in order to protect the privacy interest of the individual(s) to be discussed, and Board members will return to open session at 8:15 p.m., at which time there will be no additional discussion. Parties included in this executive session will be board members only. All others are excused. No action will be taken during executive session. Executive session for these reasons is authorized by KSA 65-4319.

Moved by Brigitte Nelson, second by Justin Abell

Final Resolution: Motion carries 7-0

Yea, by show of hands: J.Abell, B. Nelson, B.Pickrell, T.Sanchez, B. Sauers, R.Shupe, T. Owens (via zoom)

Nay, same sign: None

At 8:15 pm, the Board returned to open session. No action taken.

- d. Superintendent contract.

No action taken. A special board meeting will take place January 18, 2023 at 6:30 p.m. to allow Mr. Vignery more time to review the Superintendent Evaluation and ask any questions he may have.

- e. Employee Resignation(s).

Motion to approve the resignation of Amy Vignery as junior high math teacher.

Moved by Brigitte Nelson, second by Richard Shupe

Final Resolution: Motion carries 7-0

Yea, by show of hands: J.Abell, B. Nelson, R. Shupe, B. Sauers, B. Pickrell, T. Sanchez, T. Owens (via zoom)

Nay, same sign: None

f. Employee Confirmation(s).

Motion to approve Tina Burns as MGS para.

Moved by Justin Abell, second by Brandon Sauers

Final Resolution: Motion carries 7-0

Yea, by show of hands: J. Abell, B. Nelson, R. Shupe, B. Sauers, B. Pickrell, T. Sanchez, T. Owens (via zoom)

Nay, same sign: None

g. February 13, 2023, Board Meeting Agenda Items

i. Second reading of board policy updates.

ii. Calendar

iii. Principal contracts.

iv. Junior High Curriculum

h. New Cell Phone Policy – MJSHS: Mr. Vignery reviewed a new cell policy created by MJSHS administration and faculty.

Motion to approve the new cell phone policy for MJSHS as presented.

Moved by Justin Abell, second by Brigitte Nelson

Final Resolution: Motion carries 7-0

Yea, by show of hands: J. Abell, B. Nelson, R. Shupe, B. Sauers, B. Pickrell, T. Sanchez, T. Owens (via zoom)

Nay, same sign: None

i. Executive Session – Student matters

The Board of Education moved to go into Executive Session for 10 minutes to discuss student matters pursuant to KOMA, and the open meeting will resume at 8:33 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 Brigitte Nelson, second by Justin Abell

Final Resolution: Motion carries 5-0

Yea, by show of hands: J. Abell, B. Nelson, R. Shupe, B. Sauers, B. Pickrell, T. Sanchez, T. Owens (via zoom)

Nay, same sign: None

8:23 pm: Seven board members recessed to executive session

8:23 pm: Superintendent Vignery, Principal Terry Moeckel, and Assistant Principal Ryan Mortimer joined executive session

8:33 pm: the Board returned to open session.

No action taken.

8. ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:39 p.m.

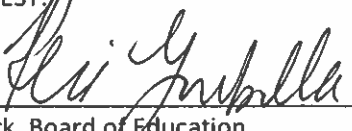
Moved by Brigitte Nelson, second by Brandon Sauers

Final Resolution: Motion carries 7-0

Yea, by show of hands: J. Abell, B. Nelson, R. Shupe, B. Sauers, B. Pickrell, T. Sanchez, T. Owens (via zoom)


Nay, same signs: None

ATTEST:



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

APPROVED:



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