

Board of Education Meeting  
February 13, 2023  
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
- IV. Reports and Comments of Principals, Committees, Visitors
- V. Report of Superintendent
- VI. Old Business
  - a. Calendar
  - b. Policy Updates
- VII. New Business
  - a. JH Curriculum
  - b. Crisis Plan
  - c. Executive Session: Negotiations
  - d. Executive Session: Student Matters
  - e. Executive Session: Non-Elected Personnel
  - f. Principal Contracts
  - g. Employee Resignation(s)
  - h. Employee Confirmation(s)
  - i. March 13, 2023 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, February 13<sup>th</sup>, 6:30 pm

Tara Sanchez called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm.

**1. ROLL CALL**

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

Members Absent: Brooke Pickrell.

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

Principals: Terry Moeckel and Pat Anderson. Ryan Mortimer was absent due to home junior high wrestling tournament.

Patrons: Levi Ziolkowski, Heather Maddox, Melissa Ziolkowski, Raelyn Robinson, Josi Schrader, Ashlynn Alderson, Keri Pratt, Shilo Nichols, Ruth Sanders, Christina Wallace, John Darrow, Dianna VanEaton.

President Sanchez led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

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

Moved by Richard Shupe, second by Justin Abell

Final Resolution: Motion carries 6-0

Yea, by show of hands: J.Abell, B. Nelson, R. Shupe, B. Sauers, T. Sanchez, T. Owens

Nay, same sign: None

**3. CONSENT AGENDA**

**Motion to approve the Consent Agenda.**

Moved by Tyrel Owens, second by Brigitte Nelson

Final Resolution: Motion carries 6-0

Yea, by show of hands: J.Abell, B. Nelson, R. Shupe, B. Sauers, T. Sanchez, T. Owens

Nay, same sign: None

**4. REPORT AND COMMENTS OF PRINCIPALS, COMMITTEES AND VISITORS**

President, Tara Sanchez asked if there were any comments from visitors.

FFA – Christina Wallace brought FFA members Raelyn Robinson, Josi Schrader, and Ashlynn Alderson who presented to the board on the recent and upcoming FFA events. National FFA Week is February 20-24, 2023 and post cards were given out listing the events that will be held each day. The annual FFA Toy Show will be Saturday, February 18, 2023 at Minneapolis Grade School. Each member presented on competitions that have taken place and the results of those for our chapter. They have had a very successful year so far.

Brooke Pickrell entered the meeting at 6:46 p.m.

New Image – Mrs. Hocking brought the New Image group to give examples of their Singing Valentine's. The boys sang one song and the girls sang one song. Mrs. Hocking said they had received orders for over 65 Singing Valentine's so far and she expected more.

Dianna VanEaton – MGS Art Teacher – Mrs. VanEaton presented on the art projects that the grade school had been working on so far this year. She had examples for each grade and presented on what each class was learning. Mrs.

Anderson also spoke and wanted to make sure the board knew how valuable Mrs. VanEaton is to our district and the grade school. She puts a lot of time and talent into the art program and it is very appreciated!

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

- Professional Development day on 2/20/2023 will include annual state assessment training, LTRS training, math textbook committee meeting, and USD 305 employees training on new timesheets.
- A zoom meeting for LTRS training will be held on 2/28/2023.
- The 5<sup>th</sup> graders were invited to attend the circus last Saturday.

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

- MJSHS had a presenter come and speak on vaping and drugs. It was a very powerful presentation.
- Cameron Dawson won the spelling bee.
- On 2/28/2023, there will be ACT Testing for juniors, freshman will go to KSU Aerodynamics program, sophomores and seniors will do a round robin.
- The next assembly will be a presentation on human trafficking.
- Parent/teacher conferences will be held this Wednesday and next Wednesday.

Ryan Mortimer submitted his written report online.

## 5. REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT

- Mr. Vignery reviewed legislative updates. The bills reviewed included SB 128, HB 2238, HB 2224, HB 2271, and HB 2195.
- MGS asphalt bids are due by 3/8/23.
- Cub Backers and Mrs. Anderson are looking into getting new playground equipment at MGS.
- Cub Backers president reached out to Mr. Vignery asking if they could help with resurfacing the playground with a rubber material rather than the pea gravel that is currently in place. One bid for this was \$55,000.00.
- Welding program – There is a way to have Mr. Hauck get certified as a possibility to teach welding based on 4,000 hours of welding experience.
- League Art Show – MJSHS faculty are receiving a workday for the League Art Show being held in that building on April 26<sup>th</sup>, 2023. NOCTA president, Mrs. Shaft, pointed out that this was not on the approved calendar and that they should have been told as a courtesy. The board has agreed to determine if MGS would have a day with no students on April 26<sup>th</sup>, 2023. This will be decided at the March board meeting.

## 6. OLD BUSINESS

- 2023-2024 Calendar – The calendar committee sent three calendars to choose from for approval. Each calendar was reviewed by the board. The committee preferred calendar's B and C.

### **Motion to send calendar B and C back for faculty voting.**

Moved by Tyrel Owens, 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

Nay, same sign: None

- Policy Updates – Richard Shupe suggested that in policy IFA, second paragraph, first sentence, the wording needed to include "Classrooms and/or teachers' desks are not public forums..."

### **Motion to approve all policy updates to include the change in policy IFA second paragraph, first sentence wording to "Classrooms and/or teacher's desks are not public forums".**

Moved by Richard Shupe, second by Brigitte Nelson

Final Resolution: Motion carries 5-2

Yea, by show of hands: B. Nelson, R. Shupe, B. Pickrell, T. Sanchez, T. Owens

Nay, same sign: J. Abell, B. Sauers

## 7. NEW BUSINESS

- a. Junior High Curriculum – Mr. Moeckel discussed junior high curriculum with the board. A couple of teachers had submitted their curriculum online for the board to review. The other teachers sent the texts books they are using. He suggested that if we were looking to update anything that the junior high science curriculum would probably be the first that would need updated as it is from 2012.

b. Crisis plan – Mr. Vignery reviewed the events recently in the district that required use of the districts crisis plan. He reviewed the threat that was made at MGS and the steps taken regarding it. The one change he suggested was to send someone around to each teacher sharing with them what is going on. He also wanted to make it clear that the school was not informed of this threat until Monday morning after school had started. The second threat was a vehicle with occupants harassing students walking to school. The crisis plan was also followed for this and an all call was sent to make parents aware. Patron Heather Maddox asked if she could ask a question. President Sanchez asked that her question wait until the end of the meeting.

b. Executive Session-Negotiations.

**The Board of Education moved to go into Executive Session for 10 minutes to discuss negotiations pursuant to the exception for employer-employee negotiations under KOMA, and the open meeting will resume at 8:15 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 Tyrel Owens

Final Resolution: Motion carries 7-0

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

Nay, same sign: None

8:05 pm: Seven board members recessed to executive session

8:05 pm: Superintendent Vignery joined executive session

8:15 pm: the Board returned to open session.

c. Executive Session – Student matters

**The Board of Education moved to go into Executive Session for 5 minutes to discuss student matters pursuant to KOMA, and the open meeting will resume at 8:20 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 Tyrel Owens

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

Nay, same sign: None

8:15 pm: Seven board members recessed to executive session

8:15 pm: Superintendent Vignery joined executive session

8:20 pm: the Board returned to open session.

No action taken.

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 8:31 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

Nay, same sign: None

8:21 pm: Seven board members recessed to executive session

8:21 pm: Superintendent Vignery joined executive session

8:31 pm: the Board returned to open session.

No action taken.

d. Principal contracts.

**Motion to extend Ryan Mortimer's contract through June 2025.**

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

Nay, same sign: None

**Motion to extend Terry Moeckel's contract through June 2025.**

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

Nay, same sign: None

**Motion to extend Pat Anderson's contract through June 2025.**

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

Nay, same sign: None

e. Employee Resignation(s).

**Motion to approve the resignation of Terry Greer as Maintenance Supervisor.**

Moved by Tyrel Owens, 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

Nay, same sign: None

f. Employee Confirmation(s).

g. March 13, 2023, Board Meeting Agenda Items

i. Asphalt bids.

ii. Calendar.

iii. Negotiations.

Audience member Heather Maddox was called on to ask her question from earlier in the meeting. She expressed concern that only one city police officer showed up to the grade school the day of the threat. She didn't understand why back up wasn't called and why the county sheriff officers weren't there. Mr. Vignery said that the grade school called 911 but they didn't have control as to how many officers were sent. The dispatcher and police department were in charge of that. He said he would bring it up in their monthly MOU meeting that parents had concerns regarding it.

8. ADJOURNMENT

**Motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:37 p.m.**


Moved by Brigitte Nelson, second by Tyrel Owens

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

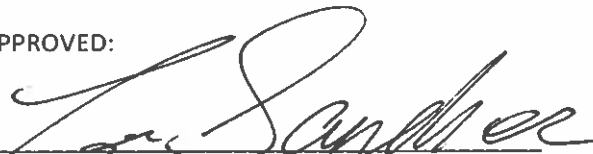
Nay, same signs: None

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