

Valley Heights Schools - USD 498

Minutes of the Board of Education

March 21, 2022

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The Board of Education of Valley Heights School District No. 498 held its regular meeting on Monday, March 21, 2022, at 5:30 p.m., at the Valley Heights District Office in Blue Rapids, Kansas. Board President Sharon Osborne called the regular meeting to order.

ROLL CALL

Board Members Present: Sharon Osborne, President; Theresa Minihan, Bryce Porter, Lisa Stryker, Jami Gillig and John Walsh.

Others Present: Melissa Kennedy, Superintendent; Teresa Penning, Clerk; Robert Green, Elem. Principal; Michele Palmgren, Secondary Principal, Ryan Bishop, Ron Hardin, Jayne Whitson, Janet Zayas, Titus Staples, Adam Schreiner, Justine deBoer, Sammie Parker, Caden Parker and Drew Obermeyer.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

It was moved by Theresa Minihan and seconded by Jami Gillig to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried 5-0.

PUBLIC FORUM

Big Brothers/Big Sisters Proposal

Jayne Whitson proposed a Big Brothers/Big Sisters program. Theresa Minihan moved, seconded by Bryce Porter to approve the Big Brothers/Big Sisters program and support the fundraising efforts. Motion carried 5-0.

Athletic Director Report

Adam Schreiner reported on track participants and Marysville track team using our track.

CONSENT AGENDA

Bryce Porter moved, seconded by Jami Gillig to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Motion carried 5-0. Items on the Consent Agenda were as follows:

- USD 498 Board of Education regular meeting minutes from February 21, 2022
- Bills Payable
- USD 498 Willson Fund request (See Attached)
- Treasurer's Report
- KASB membership and Legal Assistance Fund
- Supplemental resignations- Ron Lee as Asst. HS Football and Justine deBoer as JH Asst. VB
- Certified Contracts - Rhonda Joseph as 6th Grade Teacher and Chase Green as HS Science Teacher
- Classified Contracts - Nicole Stoudt as ParaProfessional
- Donations

REPORTS

Maintenance Report

Ryan Bishop gave the Maintenance report.

Principal's Reports

Michele Palmgren and Robert Green presented their respective Principal reports. Bryce Porter moved, seconded by Theresa Minihan to approve the Football Activity Account. Motion carried 5-0.

(Lisa Stryker arrived at 6:41 p.m.) Lisa Stryker moved, seconded by Jami Gillig to keep JH Sports practice during the school day for 22-23. Motion carried 6-0.

Student Council President Report

Caden Parker reported on the Stuco Day of Service that is planned and other upcoming events.

Superintendent's Report

Superintendent Melissa Kennedy reported on Early Childhood, Site Council/Facility Update, 22-23 staffing, Administration Planning Session, SPED Advisory Council Report and OPAA Food Service Report.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Sharon Osborne moved, seconded by Jami Gillig to go into Executive Session to discuss Negotiations pursuant to matter relating to employer-employee negotiations, under the exception, K.S.A. 75-4319(b)(3) under KOMA for 10 minutes inviting Melissa Kennedy to attend and returning to Regular Session in this room at 8:12 p.m. Motion carried 6-0.

Theresa Minihan moved, seconded by Bryce Porter to go into Executive Session to discuss an individual employee's performance pursuant to the non-elected personnel matter under the exception, K.S.A. 75-4319(b)(1) for 15 minutes inviting Melissa Kennedy to attend and returning to Regular Session in this room at 8:30 p.m. Motion carried 6-0.

Bryce Porter moved, seconded by Theresa Minihan to go into Executive Session to discuss an individual employee's performance pursuant to the non-elected personnel matter under the exception, K.S.A. 75-4319(b)(1) for 10 minutes inviting Melissa Kennedy to attend and returning to Regular Session in this room at 8:42 p.m. Motion carried 6-0.

Bryce Porter moved, seconded by Theresa Minihan to go into Executive Session to discuss an individual employee's performance pursuant to the non-elected personnel matter under the exception, K.S.A. 75-4319(b)(1) for 10 minutes inviting Melissa Kennedy to attend and returning to Regular Session in this room at 8:53 p.m. Motion carried 6-0.

Theresa Minihan moved, seconded by Jami Gillig to go into Executive Session to discuss an individual employee's performance pursuant to the non-elected personnel matter under the exception, K.S.A. 75-4319(b)(1) for 10 minutes and returning to Regular Session in this room at 9:05 p.m. Motion carried 6-0.

Superintendent Contract

Bryce Porter moved, seconded by Lisa Stryker to renew the Superintendent Contract for Melissa Kennedy for one year in the amount of \$116,000. Motion carried 6-0.

Theresa Minihan moved, seconded by Jami Gillig to advertise the 3-year Old Certified Preschool Position for 2022-2023. Motion carried 6-0.

ADJOURNMENT

Jami Gillig moved, seconded by Bryce Porter to adjourn. Motion carried 6-0.

Teresa Penning, Clerk

Date