

Minutes

USD #112 Board of Education met in regular session Monday evening, May 8, 2023 at 6:00 p.m. in the USD #112 Central Plains District Office in Claflin, KS, with the following attending:

Board Members:

Chad Rogers
Allison Koch
Roger Robinson
Brad Schiermeyer
Dalton Wirth
Joshua Hurley
Tamara Dody

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Also attending were Bill Lowry, Superintendent, Diane Ney, Clerk, Toby Holmes, Central Plains Jr-Sr High School Principal, Jane Oeser, Central Plains Elementary School Principal, Scott Mitchum, livestream, Alan Rusch from the *Ellsworth Independent Reporter* and the attached list of patrons.

Tamara Dody called the meeting to order.

On motion by Allison Koch and seconded by Josh Hurley, the board voted 7-0 to approve the amended agenda as presented.

Approve
Agenda

On motion by Brad Schiermeyer and seconded by Chad Rogers, the board voted 7-0 to approve the minutes of the April 10, 2023 board meeting.

Approve
Minutes

On motion by Brad Schiermeyer and seconded Josh Hurley, the board voted 7-0 to approve the treasurers' report.

Approve
Treasurer's
Report

On motion by Allison Koch and seconded by Josh Hurley, the board voted 7-0 to approve all invoices in the amount of \$428,217.49.

Approve
invoices

The board of education reviewed the cash summary report and the bank balances were reconciled with the treasurer's report as of April 30, 2023.

Bank
Reconciliation

Aaron Dlabal addressed the board in Public Forum regarding the accelerated teacher education program at Newman University and the possibility of the district paying for the tuition and a letter of intention to be hired by the district. He also shared that the Salina Catholic Diocese has backed out of the private school possibility and leasing the building at Wilson.

Public
Forum

David Wirth also addressed the board in Public Forum. His topics included the following: recent tough decisions by the board; student travel time to and from school; Wilson students attending CPJSHS – Claflin; and the petition to disorganize USD 112 by the Wilson patrons.

Public Forum
(cont)

Mr. Lowry opened discussion on the recommendation of republishing the 2022-2023 General Fund budget due to an increase in at-risk students. He explained that the At-Risk fund would increase to accept this additional budget authority, along with the Career and Tech Education fund, to accept additional eligible CTE expenditures in that fund.

Discussion:
republish
General Fund
Budget

On motion by Roger Robinson and seconded by Allison Koch, the board voted 7-0 to republish the 2022-2023 budget as presented and hold the budget hearing at a special meeting on Monday, May 22nd at 6:00 p.m. at the District Office.

Approve to
republish budget
and set hearing
date

Mr. Lowry explained the purpose of Advancing Barton County Childcare, Inc., (ABCC, Inc) which was formed by Great Bend Economic Development, to partner with USD 112 Central Plains on the Child Care Capacity Accelerator Grant. This would possibly add a 59-slot daycare center in Claflin.

Discussion:
Daycare grant

On motion by Allison Koch and seconded by Chad Rogers, the board voted 7-0 to partner with ABCC, Inc. for the Child Care Capacity Accelerator Grant for a daycare center on school property in Claflin.

Approve ABCC, Inc
for possible
daycare grant

On motion by Brad Schiermeyer and seconded by Josh Hurley, the board voted 7-0 to contract with E-Funds for an online payment system and the district to pay for the fees.

Approve E-Funds
Contract for
on-line pmts.

Mr. Lowry reviewed a 5-year minimum plan for technology updates which are needed for staff. This will help with the transition to new computers over the next five years, including the use of smart TVs in place of smart boards.

Discussion:
Technology

On motion by Roger Robinson and seconded by Josh Hurley, the board voted 7-0 to approve the Central Plains Junior High Cheerleaders' fundraising request.

Approve
Fundraiser

Joshua Hurley made the following motion: I move that the Board go into Executive session pursuant to the Kansas Open Meetings Act, to discuss non-elected personnel for the topic of resignations, supplemental positions, certified staff, classified staff and administration, to protect the privacy of individuals to be discussed, with Mr. Lowry present, and return to open session in this room at 7:10 p.m. Chad Rogers seconded the motion. Board voted 7-0 to approve.

Executive
Session

The board returned to open meeting at 7:10 p.m.

On motion by Allison Koch and seconded by Chad Rogers, the board voted 7-0 to approve the following resignations, effective at the end of the 2022-2023 school year:

Approve
Resignations

- Melanie Frees – Paraprofessional at CPES – Holyrood
- Ken Windholz – Building Principal at Wilson Schools
- Lisa Menzer – Cook at CPJSHS – Claflin
- Emma Belisle – Elementary and Math Teacher at Wilson
- Alice Peterka – Business Teacher at Wilson
- Ron Major – Industrial Arts Teacher at Wilson
- Aaron Dlabal – English Teacher at Wilson
- Sarah Martin – Cheerleading Sponsor – CPHS – Claflin
- Wayne DeWerff – Vo-ag Teacher at CPJSHS – Claflin

On motion by Allison Koch and seconded by Josh Hurley, the board voted 6-1 to not accept the resignation of Katrina Zorn as long-term substitute as presented. Roger Robinson voted no.

Decline
Resignation

On motion by Allison Koch and seconded by Josh Hurley, the board voted 7-0 to approve Jennifer Vandenburg as a full-time substitute as a 5th grade teacher at CPES-Holyrood for the 2023-2024 school year.

Approve 5th
Grade Teacher

On motion by Allison Koch and seconded by Brad Schiermeyer, the board voted 7-0 to approve Stephanie Stoppel as 2nd grade teacher at Wilson Elementary School for the 2023-2024 school year.

Approve 2nd
Grade Teacher

On motion by Allison Koch and seconded by Josh Hurley, the board voted 7-0 to approve Aaron Dlabal as 6th grade teacher at Wilson Elementary for the 2023-2024 school year and assist with tuition, with successful completion for the first year of the Newman program with a 3-year teaching commitment with USD 112.

Approve 6th
Grade Teacher
with tuition
assistance

On motion by Allison Koch and seconded by Josh Hurley, the board voted 5-2 to approve the non-renewal resolution for Katrina Zorn as presented. Roger Robinson and Brad Schiermeyer voted no. (resolution attached)

Approve Non-renewal Resolution

On motion by Allison Koch and seconded by Josh Hurley, the board voted 7-0 to approve Christy Gordon as a paraprofessional at CPES-Holyrood, Sheryl Hickel, head cook at CPJSHS-Claflin and Kandis Willard as a cook at CPJSHS – Claflin for the 2023-2024 school year,

Approve Classified Positions

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Executive Session

The board returned to open meeting at 7:36 p.m.

Joshua Hurley made the following motion: I move that the Board go back into Executive session pursuant to the Kansas Open Meetings Act, to discuss non-elected personnel for the topic of resignations, supplemental positions, certified staff, classified staff and administration, to protect the privacy of individuals to be discussed, with Mr. Lowry present, and return to open session in this room at 7:52 p.m. Allison Koch seconded the motion. Board voted 6-0 to approve. Roger Robinson was absent for the motion.

Executive Session (cont)

The board returned to open meeting at 7:52 p.m.

Item D – Administration – no action was taken.

No action item

Item E – Supplementals - tabled at this time.

Tabled item

Building reports were read by Jane Oeser and Toby Holmes.

Building Reports

Mr. Lowry reviewed the Superintendent's Report which included the following:

- Catholic Diocese of Salina has requested to withdraw the lease proposal at Wilson;
- ESSER III proposal including air quality in the high school

Superintendent's Report

- Reviewed Senate Bill 113 and how it would affect schools and school funding
- Reviewed the proposed new health insurance rates for employees, with an 8.7% average increase in premiums

Superintendent's Report (cont)

Under board reports, Tamara Dody discussed a possible booster club formation for Central Plains Schools and also an endowment for the district.

Board Reports

Open agenda items included a school-sponsored hunter's safety class and possibly forming a trap/clay shooting club team for the students.

Open Agenda Items

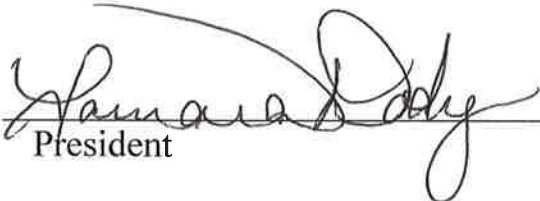
The next regularly scheduled board meeting will be June 12, 2023. Agenda items will possibly include ESSER III, personnel, handbooks, students' fees, district property and casualty insurance, along with workmen's compensation insurance renewals.

Next meeting agenda items

On motion by Allison Koch and seconded by Josh Hurley, the board voted 7-0 to adjourn the meeting at 8:20 p.m.

Meeting Adjourned


Clerk


President

USD #112 Board of Education
May 8, 2023 – Board Meeting
Guest Registration

PLEASE PRINT:

Name

Alan Busch
Gay Hoelscher
Don Hoelscher
Don Eisenstein
Allen Herley

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Name

RESOLUTION OF INTENT TO NONRENEW A TEACHER'S CONTRACT

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Katrina Zorn is currently employed in Unified School District No. 112, Ellsworth County, Kansas; and



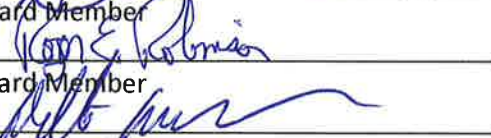

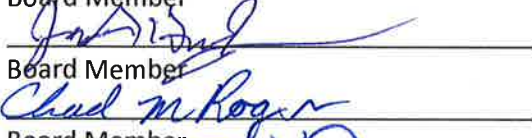
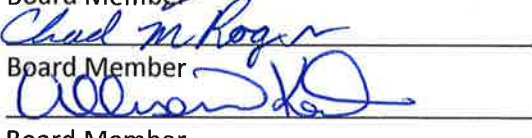
WHEREAS, the Board of Education of said Unified School District No. 112, Ellsworth County, Kansas, finds that the contract of Katrina Zorn should be nonrenewed, and that Katrina Zorn should be given written notice on or before May 19, 2023, of the intent of the board of education to nonrenew her contract for the 2023-2024 school year;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 112, ELLSWORTH COUNTY, KANSAS, AS FOLLOWS:

It is hereby declared to be the intent of the Board of Education of Unified School District No. 112, Ellsworth County, Kansas that the employment contract of Katrina Zorn as a teacher be nonrenewed for the 2023-2024 school year; and

The clerk of the board of education is directed to give written notice in person or by restricted United States mail to Katrina Zorn on or before May 19, 2023, of the board's intent to nonrenew her contract for the 2023-2024 school year,

ADOPTED by the Board of Education of Unified School District No. 112, Ellsworth County, Kansas, the 8th day of May, 2023.

By: 
Board Member

Board Member

Board Member

Board Member

Board Member

Board Member

Attest: 
Clerk, Board of Education