

Valley Heights Schools - USD 498

Minutes of the Board of Education

May 9, 2022

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The Board of Education of Valley Heights School District No. 498 held its regular meeting on Monday, May 9, 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 Mike Vermetten.

Others Present: Melissa Kennedy, Superintendent; Teresa Penning, Clerk; Robert Green, Elem. Principal; Michele Palmgren, Secondary Principal, Ryan Bishop, Ron Hardin, Titus Staples and Justine deBoer.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

It was moved by Theresa Minihan and seconded by Mike Vermetten to amend the agenda by adding D. Blue Valley Driver's Education request and E. Willson Fund request from Jayne Whitson under Additions to Agenda. Motion carried 5-0.

PUBLIC FORUM

Athletic Director Report

Melissa Kennedy updated the Board on the weight room equipment estimates.

CONSENT AGENDA

Mike Vermetten moved, seconded by Theresa Minihan to pull Item C. Willson Fund Request out of Consent Agenda. Motion carried 5-0. Theresa Minihan moved, seconded by Mike Vermetten to approve the Consent Agenda excluding Item C. Willson Fund Request. Motion carried 5-0. Items on the Consent Agenda were as follows:

- USD 498 Board of Education regular meeting minutes from April 11, 2022 Regular Meeting
- Bills Payable
- USD 498 Willson Fund request (See Attached)
- Treasurer's Report
- Acceptance of Donations for Schools That Care in the amount of \$190.00
- Approval of Classified Contracts- Regina Blaske and Rachel Smith as PAT Educators, Riley Wagner as First Grade Teacher through KSU Student Teaching Apprenticeship Program.
- Approval of Certified Resignations-Katie Hagenmaier as Elementary MTSS Teacher
- Approval of Certified Contracts-David Graham as Vo Ag teacher, Sarah Eckart as Kindergarten Teacher through WSU Teacher Apprenticeship Program
- Approval of Summer Camp Staffing

Theresa Minihan moved, seconded by Bryce Porter to approve the Willson Fund Request in the amount of \$12,289.54 for Community Education. Motion carried 5-0.

REPORTS

Maintenance Report

Ryan Bishop gave the Maintenance report.

Principal's Reports

Michele Palmgren and Robert Green presented their respective Principal reports.

Superintendent's Report

Superintendent Melissa Kennedy reported on Accreditation, Bond Issue, Staffing for 2022-23, End of Year Celebration and USD 364 Staffing.

Additions to Agenda

Theresa Minihan moved, seconded by Jami Gillig to accept Ashley Smith's resignation as presented. Motion carried 5-0.

The Board discussed the policy on reimbursing Advanced Degrees.

Mike Vermetten moved, seconded by Bryce Porter to approve the Driver's Education contract for Annie Haefke for \$100 per student. Motion carried 5-0.

Bryce Porter moved, seconded by Mike Vermetten to allow Annie Haefke to provide Driver's Education Services in a USD 498 vehicle to serve Blue Valley Randolph students as long as KASB doesn't see any issues. Motion carried 5-0.

Mike Vermetten moved, seconded by Bryce Porter to approve the Willson Fund Request to start up the Big Brothers Big Sisters Program in Waterville in the amount of \$2,000. Motion carried 5-0.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Theresa Minihan moved, seconded by Mike Vermetten 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 7:30 p.m. Motion carried 5-0. (*Lisa Stryker arrived and entered E.S. at 7:16 p.m.*)

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 15 minutes inviting Melissa Kennedy to attend and returning to Regular Session in this room at 7:46 p.m. Motion carried 6-0.

Mike Vermetten moved, seconded by Lisa Stryker 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 20 minutes inviting Melissa Kennedy to attend and returning to Regular Session in this room at 8:07 p.m. Motion carried 6-0.

Theresa Minihan moved, seconded by Mike Vermetten 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 8:18 p.m. Motion carried 6-0.

ADJOURNMENT

Theresa Minihan moved, seconded by Mike Vermetten to adjourn. Motion carried 6-0.

Teresa Penning, Clerk

Date