

NORTH OTTAWA COUNTY USD No. 239

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MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING

April 9, 2018, 6:30 pm

Call to Order: President Nelson called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm.

I. Roll Call

Members Present: Justin Abell, Kendall Kirk, Dr. Bruce Labes, Brigitte Nelson, Tammy Shanks, Sandra Tibbits

Members Absent: Becki Travis

Others Present: Chris Vignery, Superintendent and Kim Shafer, Board Clerk. Principals: Pat Anderson, Terry Moeckel, and Ryan Mortimer

Guests: 5th Grade teacher, Dena Allison, with students: Braedee Weatherman and Zach Nelson

Others present: Bryan Weatherman, John Darrow

II. Additions to and Adoption of the Agenda

After discussion, motion made by Bruce Labes to approve the agenda with the addition of New Business f(1), Approve School Calendar, seconded by Sandra Tibbits. **Motion passed 6-0.**

III. Consent Agenda

Motion made by Tammy Shanks, seconded by Bruce Labes, to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. **Motion passed 6-0.**

IV. Reports and Comments of Principals, Committees, and Visitors

At this time the floor was opened for presentation by Braedee Weatherman and Zach Nelson, students of Dena Allison, showing an example of Project Based Learning in the classroom.

Principal Anderson presented and summarized her written report.

Assistant Principal Mortimer, presented and summarized his written report.

Principal Moeckel presented his written report

V. Report of Superintendent

- **Leadership Review:** Brigitte Nelson attended a leadership training in Topeka in March, regarding board of education leadership. Nelson reported it was a very good workshop and invited other members to attend if they so choose. President Nelson and Superintendent Vignery will be meeting on Mondays before the board meeting to co-prepare the agenda. Nelson told the board that if they wanted something added to the agenda to please let either of them know beforehand.
- **Legislative Update:** The board was updated on the \$80M dollar error on the new finance bill, which will be addressed when the legislature returns to session on April 26. Mr. Vignery related that the government had hired a company to research the efficiency of Kansas schools, finding that Kansas is one of the most efficient schools in the state but are underfunded.
- **Opaa! Update:** Expenses are up, but so is revenue. Next month, may have the Opaa! renewal to bring to the board.

- Summit Learning: USD 239 has been approved. Training is scheduled at the end of June for 5th and 6th grade teachers, Nicole Noon, and some 7th grade core teachers. All expenses will be paid for by Summit Learning (hotel, food, travel), except for any projects chosen which will be at the expense of the school.
- Minneapolis Recreation: Use of the original high school gym for basketball and volleyball during certain times that USD 239 won't be using the gym had been requested. Dan Mesecher would be in charge and children under 13 would not be allowed in the building.
- Senator Bowers: Superintendent Vignery will be attending a meeting with Senator Elaine Bowers in Tescott on April 10th to observe. The high school government class will be in attendance, also.
- Lions Club: Mr. Vignery will be presenting Project Based Learning to the members.
- Gemini: Scheduled for April 18, 2018, with Brad Neuenswander from the Kansas Department of Revenue.

VI. Old Business

- a. None. Update on the chicken house: waiting on the arrival of the donated tin. Rock has been delivered, both rock and hauling donated.

VII. New Business

- a. Property and Fleet Insurance: Policy quotes will be bid out later this year.
- b. Use of Bus: The Methodist Church has requested the use of a bus one time over the summer. After discussion, motion made by Bruce Labes, to approve the request of the United Methodist Church for the use of a bus. Seconded by Kendall Kirk. **Motion passed 6-0.**
- c. School Safety and Security: At the request of a board member, review of the buildings' policy on lockdown and security were presented by the principals.
- d. ATM: Principal Moeckel was approached by an area bank about putting an ATM in the building. No action taken.
- e. Executive Session for Non-Elected Personnel: Supplemental contracts for 2018-2019 were presented to the board for review. At 7:34 pm, Sandra Tibbits made the following motion: Mr. President, I move that we go into executive session to discuss matters of non-elected personnel pursuant to the exception under KOMA, in order to protect the privacy interests of the individual(s) to be discussed, and that we return to open session in this room at 7:44 pm. Motion seconded by Bruce Labes. **Motion passed 6-0.** Principals Anderson and Mortimer were invited to stay. Principal Moeckel entered the meeting and executive session at 7:40 pm.

The board returned to open session at 7:44 pm, with no action taken.

- f. Executive Session for Negotiations

1. At 7:45 pm, Bruce Labes made the following motion: Mr. President, I move that we go into executive session to discuss negotiations pursuant to the exception for employer-employee negotiations under KOMA, in order to protect the public interest in negotiating a fair and equitable contract, and that we return to open session in this room at 7:55 pm. Motion seconded by Tammy Shanks. **Motion passed 6-0.** Principals were excused.

The board returned to open session at 7:55 pm. Motion made by Tammy Shanks to approve the proposed 2018-2019 Calendar C. Seconded by Sandra Tibbits. **Motion passed 6-0.**

- g. Employee Resignation(s): Motion made to accept the resignation of Lana Reinhart as Quiz Bowl sponsor by Bruce Labes, seconded by Sandra Tibbits. **Motion passed 6-0.**

h. Employee Confirmation(s): None

- i. May 14, 2018 Agenda Items:
- Supplemental Contracts
 - Chicken House Update
 - Negotiations Update
 - Fire Marshal Report
 - Opaal Renewal

VIII. Adjournment

Motion to adjourn the meeting was made at 8:04 pm by Bruce Nelson, seconded by Sandra Tibbits.
Motion passed 6-0.

Respectfully Submitted:

Approved:



Kim Shafer, USD 239 Board Clerk


Brigitte Nelson, USD 239 Board President