

MINUTES
REGULAR USD 251 BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING

February 13, 2019 at 7:00 p.m.

1. CALL TO ORDER:

The regular meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Matt Horton in the BOE meeting room in Americus.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

Matt Horton, Angela Anderson, David Goldsmith Jr, Tammie Reed, Tim Burton, Wendy Linsey, and Mitchell Maxfield.

SUPERINTENDENT:

Mike Mathes

BOARD CLERK:

Nicolette Nuessen

GUESTS:

Guest list attached.

2. PRESIDENT'S REMARKS:

Matt Horton gave kudos to the ball teams, and scholars bowl team for a great season. He believes school spirit is pretty high. The district is preparing for lots of projects over the summer.

3. SUPERINTENDENT'S REMARKS:

Mike Mathes gave a shout out to the BOE for being 1 of 3 boards in KS who have had all 7 board members attend at least 1 board training session with KASB. A big "Thank you" for their dedication. He also recognized the scholars bowl team for winning regionals and attending the state championship, all members received a certificate of recognition.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

The 03/13/2019 board meeting is being moved to 03/20/2019 at 7:00 p.m. in the BOE meeting room.

4. PUBLIC COMMUNICATION:

Gary Heine referred back to the July 25th, 2018 meeting at the Miracle Café in Reading, when the BOE met with community members. He feels that finance classes would be very important for every student. He further asked about changing the districts borders. He would appreciate a response from the board in a reasonable timeframe.

5. APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

Angela Anderson (Wendy Linsey) moved to approve the agenda, adding item 8.f. Consider Exterior Masonry Restoration Bids. Motion passed. (7-0)

6. DISPOSITION OF BUSINESS BY CONSENT:

Angela Anderson (Wendy Linsey) moved to approve consent items as follows. Motion passed. (7-0)

- a. Approval of minutes from regular meeting held on January 9, 2019
- b. Approval of expenditures from January 1 – January 31, 2019
- c. Approval of Treasurer report from January 31, 2019
- d. Acceptance of donations from California Casualty Management for NLC music and arts, Hopkins Foundation for projects to benefit students, and the United Way for Reality U.
- e. Acceptance of recommendations for Dorothee McWilliams as bus driver for the remainder of the 2018-19 school year and Wyatt Kropp as assistant track coach at NLC for the spring 2019 season.
- f. Acceptance of resignation from Charolette Lowder as head cook at NHHS for the end of the 2018-19 school year.

7. DISCUSSION ITEMS:

a. HEAR CROSSWINDS PROPOSAL:

Mr. Mathes shared the proposal from Crosswinds and the benefits it would have to the district. With the signed agreement the district could have a social worker or a psychologist through Crosswinds a few days a week in each building. This would be very beneficial to the students of our district.

b. HEAR EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITY ELIGIBILITY RULES:

Mrs. Fort shared that 90% of our students participate in an extracurricular activity. She handed out proposed changes to the current policy and shared other districts' policies. The newly proposed policy would have teachers notify parents every Friday, when a student has failing grades, to discuss the reason for failing. The student will be required to attend "After School homework help" the following week, and would be allowed to ride the activity bus.

c. HEAR NHHS COLLEGE, CAREER & COMMUNITY EXPLORATION:

Mrs. Fort shared a plan in which teachers would like to implement an extra credit pilot as part of the Gemini redesign project.

d. HEAR HONOR FLIGHT PROPOSAL:

Mrs. Fort shared information about the Honor Flight Program and how it would be amazing if USD 251 would become a national hub. She will be attending a meeting and will present the information to the BOE at the next board meeting.

8. ACTION ITEMS:

a. CONSIDER AUDIT:

Cindy Jensen, CPA Auditor, presented the 2017-18 Audit. Angela Anderson (David Goldsmith Jr) moved to accept the audit and to file with the proper authorities. Motion passed. (7-0)

b. CONSIDER 2019 SUMMER SCHOOL:

K-8 at risk students will be able to attend a jumpstart before the 2019-20 school year. 9-12 students will be able to attend credit recovery courses at the end of the 2018-19 school year. Tammie Reed (Wendy Linsey) moved to approve the proposed 2019 summer school plan. Motion passed. (7-0)

c. CONSIDER WRESTLING PARTNERSHIP WITH COUNCIL GROVE:

Angela Anderson (Wendy Linsey) moved to approve a Wrestling program cooperative with Council Grove. Motion passed. (7-0)

d. CONSIDER BUSINESS AGREEMENT WITH CROSSWINDS:

Wendy Linsey (Tim Burton) moved to approve a business agreement with Crosswinds. Motion passed. (7-0)

e. CONSIDER 2019-20 AND 2020-21 (TENTATIVE) ACADEMIC CALENDAR:

Tim Burton (Angela Anderson) moved to approve the proposed 2019-20 and 2020-21 (tentative) academic calendar. Motion passed. (7-0)

f. CONSIDER EXTERIOR MASONRY RESTORATION BIDS:

2 bids were submitted to the district. MTS Contracting in the amount of \$42,400 and Western Specialty Contractors in the amount of \$47,220. Tim Burton (David Goldsmith Jr) moved to approve the bid from MTS Contracting in the amount of \$42,400. Motion passed. (7-0)

9. PERSONNEL:

There were no personnel items to discuss.

10. BOARD COMMENTS:

Wendy Linsey was happy to see so many NHHS students on the honor roll and thanked the teachers and Mrs. Fort for their hard work. She also congratulated the Scholars Bowl team on a job well done.

Angela Anderson enjoyed the RealityU event at the high school. She is very impressed by the program and how students react to playing the game of life. She loves the Honor Flight proposal and believes it would be amazing for our communities. She is also very excited about the Wrestling partnership.

David Goldsmith Jr dittoed all previous comments. He welcomes the changes and the fresh breath of air.

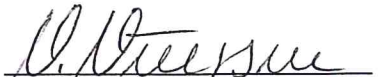
Tammie Reed likes the idea of the Honor Flight program. She is excited about the summer school program, especially for high school students as it helps them graduate. Further she asked the board to consider a follow up of the July 25th, 2018 meeting.

Matt Horton dittoed Tammie's comments. He encourages everyone to continue communicating with community members. He further said that the band and choir sound great and is happy their instructor is back.

Mike Mathes invited everyone to attend FAST Night on March 5th, 2015 at 5:45 p.m. at NHHS. There will be free food, an academic tour, Farm to School tour and much more. Everyone is invited!

11. ADJOURNMENT:

Angela Anderson (Wendy Linsey) moved to adjourn the meeting. Motion passed. (7-0)
The meeting adjourned at 8:06 p.m.


Nicolette Nuessen, Board Clerk

"These minutes are unofficial until approved at the next meeting."

USD 251 – North Lyon County
Board of Education Meeting
February 13, 2019 @ 7:00 PM

Please sign in!

Print Name:

Signature:

Time:

Sandy Arcen

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6:45

Sophia Arcen

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6:40

Gar V Helms

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6:45 P.M.

Peggy Fort

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Zach Hacker

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Sherry Edmiston

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Lisa Preisner

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Lin Krögel

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Devon Swartz

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Sandra Eckert

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Kaya Wilzcek

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Janice Huffman

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Justin Huffman

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Eric Yu

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Cindy Jensen

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