

Approved: 4/11/2016

USD 378 Riley County
Board of Education
Regular Meeting at RCHS library- 7:00 pm
March 21, 2016

I. Call the meeting to order/Pledge of Allegiance

President Shane Allen called the USD 378 Board of Education's regular meeting to order on Monday, March 21, 2016, at 7:01 pm in the Riley County High School library following the Pledge of Allegiance.

The following members were present:

Shane Allen
Kyle Bohnenblust
Jared Larson
Randy O'Boyle
Kerry Thurlow
Ross Wahl

Others present:

Nancy Meyer, Superintendent
Nicole Fajen, Board Clerk

See attached list for additional guests

II. Approval of Agenda
Changes, additions, and adoptions of agenda

Kerry Thurlow moved the board approve the amended agenda by moving item "c" under Old Business before hearing of visitors under patron communication and moving the Transportation report after hearing of students under patron communication. Second by Kyle Bohnenblust. Motion passed with a six "yes" votes cast.

III. Approval of minutes/special minutes

Randy O'Boyle moved the board approve the special February 8, regular February 8, special February 16, special February 17, special February 18, special February 19, and special February 23 minutes with amending the special February 16-19 minutes by adding the names of the Superintendent candidates' names. Second by Jared Larson. Motion passed with six "yes" votes cast.

IV. Approval of warrants/payroll

Jared Larson moved the board accept the March bills and the amended February and March Visa bills. Second by Randy O'Boyle. Motion passed with a six "yes" votes cast.

V. Patron Communications

a. Bond Campaign – Hollis and Miller

Hollis & Miller facilitated a presentation that included strategies for the bond campaign.

b. Hearing of Visitors

None

c. Hearing of Students

None

d. Frank Clark gave an oral report on transportation including:

- Bus repairs
- Recommendation changes for the Transportation Handbook
- All district vehicles are up-to-date with servicing

e. Hearing of Principals

Mrs. Grant gave an oral report which included:

- Site Council meeting April 6th
- Congratulations to MS Boys Basketball for a fine performance at MEL Tournament; 8th grade placed 5th and 7th grade placed 1st in the league.
- PTO Science Fair winners were recognized at Wednesday Celebration on March 2nd
- Middle School 2015-16 Elective Summary update

Mr. Oliver gave an oral report which included:

- State Wrestling Results: Luke Richard 1st, Mikey Waggoner 3rd, Chris and Tommy Truesdale 6th
- Spring Sports update: Baseball, Golf, Softball, Track
- February 18th Barb Wenger & Matt Schacht from Manhattan Area Technical College presented class in advanced biology
- Mr. Jim Collogan from ASA Strategic Funding presented a foundation information update

VI. Old Business

a. Consideration of Board Member Appointment

Nancy Meyer reported that she received an inquiry for the open board member position but the applicant does not live within the two townships needed to be on the board.

b. Bond Resolution Report

Nancy Meyer reported that the bond proposal was approved by the State Board of Education.

V. NEW BUSINESS

a. Consideration Softball Team Sponsorship Request

Nancy Meyer reported that the HS softball team would like to sell advertising (banners) for the field to raise money for their program. Discussion was had by board members. Ross Wahl moved the board accept the softball team sponsorship request amending the wording to coordinate with the USD 378 Board Policy. Second by Jared Larson. Motion passed with a six "yes" votes cast.

b. Benchmark Service Agreement Renewal

Nancy Meyer presented the renewal agreement she received from Norm Francis from Benchmark. Ross Wahl moved the board accept the renewal agreement from Benchmark. Discussion was had by the board. Second by Jared Larson. Motion passed with a six "yes" votes cast.

c. Parents as Teachers

Nancy Meyer presented the annual report for the Parents as Teachers Program.

d. Donations

Jared Larson moved the board accept the softball donation: Midwest Concrete \$1,000 for softball batting cage, Bayer Construction screenings for softball field, Jason Brummett labor for softball field, Jeff Brummett labor for softball field, Thundersticks Donation \$250 donation for softball program, Mike Winter labor

and equipment use, Tracy Crubel equipment use. Second by Kerry Thurlow. Motion passed with a six “yes” votes cast.

- e. Early Release for High School at 1:20 p.m. on March 30 – Hosting MEL Forensics Tournament.
- f. High School Testing Schedule
 - i. High School – Late Start: 10:30 a.m. April 4, 5, 6.

VII. Executive Session

- a. At 8:40 p.m. Shane Allen moved the board go into executive session with Nancy Meyer, and Mr. Clark, Mrs. Grant, and Mr. Oliver as needed to discuss personnel matters of non-elected personnel to protect the privacy interested of the individuals to be discussed for 30 minutes with a 5 minute break before starting. Second by Kyle Bohnenblust. Motion passed with a six “yes’ votes cast. Returned at 9:15 p.m. No action was taken.

Mr. Clark left at 8:55 p.m. Mrs. Grant entered at that time and left at 9:15 p.m.

- b. At 9:15 p.m. Shane Allen moved the board go into executive session with Nancy Meyer and Mr. Oliver to discuss personnel matters of non-elected personnel to protect the privacy interested of the individuals to be discussed for 30 minutes. Second by Kerry Thurlow. Motion passed with a six “yes” votes cast. Returned at 9:45 p.m. No action was taken.
- c. At 9:45 p.m. Shane Allen moved the board go into executive session with Nancy Meyer to discuss personnel matters of non-elected personnel to protect the privacy interested of the individuals to be discussed for 15 minutes. Second by Kerry Thurlow. Motion passed with a six “yes’ votes cast. Returned at 10:00 p.m. No action was taken.

VIII. Personnel Report

- a. Resignations

Jared Larson moved the board accept the resignations of:

- 1) Steve Fritz as HS Boys Basketball Coach
- 2) Zac Burton as HS Boys Assistant Basketball Coach

- 3) Matt Crubel as Maintenance Director
- 4) Shannon Montgomery as Grade School Custodian
- 5) Alice Francis as Bus Driver
- 6) Chris Delforge as HS Assistant Principal
- 7) Tyler Deters as HS Social Studies Teacher
- 8) Samantha Kriley as HS Assistant Volleyball Coach

Second by Kyle Bohnenblust. Motion passed with six “yes” votes cast.

b. Renewal of Administrative Contracts

Kyle Bohnenblust moved the board renew Mr. Oliver’s contract as High School Principal for two years. Second by Randy O’Boyle.

Kerry Thurlow stated for the record, “I appreciate Mr. Oliver stepping in as principal this last year and all his efforts and hard work. However, I cannot fully support the continuation of the position without utilizing hiring procedures to ensure Riley County is getting the best possible candidate. I feel the position should have been opened and think the interview process should have been used to compare and contrast experience and programmatic ideas.”

Motion passed with five “yes” votes and one abstain vote Kerry Thurlow.

Shane Allen moved the board renew Mrs. Grant’s contract as Grade School Principal for two years. Second by Ross Wahl. Motion passed with a six “yes” votes cast.

Shane Allen moved the board renew Mr. Granberry’s contract as Grade School Assistant Principal for one year. Second by Ross Wahl. Motion passed with a six “yes” votes cast.

c. New Employment

Jared Larson moved the board accept the new employment of:

- 1) Michelle Friedrich as HS Custodian
- 2) Peggy Crubel as MS Assistant Track Coach
- 3) Danny Grater as HS Assistant Golf Coach
- 4) Cara Rignell as HS Head Volleyball Coach.

Second by Shane Allen. Motion passed with a six “yes” votes cast.

IX. Correspondence to the Board

Kerry Thurlow stated our thoughts and prayers are with the Sheaves family at this time.

X. Future Meetings :

a. April 11, 2016 – Board Meeting

XI. Adjournment

At 10:07 p.m., Kyle Bohnenblust moved the board adjourn the meeting. Second by Jared Larson. Motion passed with six “yes” votes cast.

Shane Allen, President

Nicole Fajen, Board Clerk

**Guests at the USD 378 Riley County regular Board of Education meeting
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* Some names were illegible and/or some individuals did not sign in

Jim Collogan, ASA Strategic Funding
Frank Clark
Todd Knight, McCown Gordon Construction
Melissa Wahl
Andy Thurlow
Carmen Thurlow
Bonita Tegtmeier
Charles Ray Dugan
Debi Wahl
Dustin Holle
Keith D. Westervelt