

Valley Heights Schools - USD 498

Minutes of the Board of Education Regular Meeting

July 15, 2019

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The Board of Education of Valley Heights School District No. 498 held its regular meeting on Monday, July 15, 2019 at 5:30 p.m., in the District Office, in Waterville, Kansas. Board President David Vermetten called the regular meeting order.

ROLL CALL

Board Members Present: David Vermetten, President; Sharon Osborne, Vice-President; Melva Sanner, Theresa Minihan, Mike Vermetten and Robert Chase.

Others Present: John Bergkamp, Superintendent; Teresa Penning, Clerk; Chad Kenworthy, Secondary Principal; Robert Green, Elementary Principal, Bill Barrington, Roger Edwards, Jerry Zayas, Donna Watson and John Arganbright.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

It was moved by Mike Vermetten and seconded by Sharon Osborne to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried 5-0. (*Robert Chase arrived at 5:33 pm.*)

PUBLIC FORUM

The American Legion Posts 169 and 332 requested a letter of endorsement from the Board to endorse the naming of a five mile portion of US Highway 77 between Blue Rapids and Waterville to "Corporal Allen Oatney and SP4 Gene A. Myers Memorial Highway". Bill Barrington, Roger Edwards, Jerry Zayas, John Arganbright and Donna Watson were present. Mike Vermetten moved, seconded by David Vermetten to approve the request from the American Legion and direct Supt. Bergkamp to write a letter of endorsement for the project. Motion carried 6-0.

Home Rule Resolution

David Vermetten moved, seconded by Sharon Osborne to adopt the Home Rule Resolution. Motion carried 6-0.

School Board Leadership

Theresa Minihan moved, seconded by Melva Sanner to approve the resolution to extend the term of Board Officers until January, 2020. Motion carried 6-0.

CONSENT AGENDA

Sharon Osborne moved, seconded by Melva Sanner to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Motion carried 6-0. Items on the Consent Agenda were as follows:

- USD 498 Board of Education regular meeting minutes from June 17, 2019
- Bills Payable
- USD 498 Willson Fund request (See Attached)
- Non-Certified Resignation (Shelly Crome)
- Supplemental Resignation (Tim Manley, Sarah Toerber)
- Certified Contracts (Joe Zimmerman, Wendell Smith and Dana Baier)
- Treasurer's Report

ANNUAL REORGANIZATION

Melva Sanner moved, seconded by Mike Vermetten to approve the Annual Reorganization appointments and resolutions. Motion carried 6-0.

2019-2020 Negotiated Agreement

David Vermetten moved, seconded by Sharon Osborne to approve the 19-20 Negotiated Agreement as presented with the exception of moving the longevity stipend verbage to Article XI. Motion carried 5-1

Revised Calendar

David Vermetten moved, seconded by Robert Chase to approve the 19-20 calendar as presented. Motion carried 6-0.

Transportation Update

Supt. Bergkamp explained the change to the transportation funding. Melva Sanner moved, seconded by Theresa Minihan to establish the Route pay for bus drivers at \$20.00 per hour and Activity driving pay at \$14.00 per hour. Motion carried 6-0.

Administrator Contracts

David Vermetten moved, seconded by Robert Chase to approve an 8% salary increase for all administrators. Motion carried 5-1.

Non-Certified Contracts

Sharon Osborne moved, seconded by David Vermetten to approve an 8% salary increase for all Non-certified employees excluding bus drivers. Motion carried 6-0.

Supplemental Contracts

David Vermetten moved, seconded by Robert Chase to approve the supplemental duty assignments as presented. Motion carried 6-0.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Superintendent John Bergkamp reported on summer projects, Strategic Plan, Kansas Power Pool, Food Service and Safe and Secure Schools grant. It was decided to have a special meeting on August 7, 2019 at 5:30 p.m. to have a work session on the information gathered from the Strategic Planning Meeting.

Additions to Agenda

The St. Elizabeth's and St. Monica's Church asked for permission to erect a sign in Blue Rapids on school property/easement. This decision was tabled until more information could be gathered.

INDIVIDUAL BOARD MEMBER ISSUES

None

EXECUTIVE SESSION

David Vermetten moved, seconded by Sharon Osborne to go into Executive Session for non-elected personnel with Supt. Bergkamp for 5 minutes and returning to regular session in this room at 8:08 p.m. Motion carried 6-0. Sharon Osborne moved, seconded by Melva Sanner to accept Supt. Bergkamp's resignation effective June 30, 2020. Motion carried 6-0.

ADJOURNMENT

David Vermetten moved, seconded by Theresa Minihan to adjourn the meeting until July 29, 2019 at 5:30 p.m. in the District Office. Motion carried 6-0.

Teresa Penning, Clerk

Date