

Valley Heights Schools - USD 498

Minutes of the Board of Education

March 16, 2020

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The Board of Education of Valley Heights School District No. 498 held its regular meeting on Monday, March 16, 2020, at 5:30 p.m., at the Valley Heights High School in Blue Rapids, Kansas. Board President David Vermetten called the regular meeting order.

ROLL CALL

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

Others Present: John Bergkamp, Superintendent; Teresa Penning, Clerk; Robert Green, Elem. Principal; Melissa Kennedy, Bret Shogren, Phil Osborne and Lee Jones.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

It was moved by Theresa Minihan and seconded by Melva Sanner to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried 5-0.

PUBLIC FORUM

Superintendent Bergkamp gave a COVID-10 Plan update. (*Robert Chase arrived at 5:34 p.m.*)

Stiffel Public Finance

Bret Shogren presented an estimate on Bond Financing. (*Mike Vermetten arrived at 5:47 p.m.*)

CONSENT AGENDA

Melva Sanner moved, seconded by Sharon Osborne to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Motion carried 7-0. Items on the Consent Agenda were as follows:

- USD 498 Board of Education regular meeting minutes from February 17, 2020 Regular Meeting and March 4, 2020 Special Meeting.
- Bills Payable
- USD 498 Willson Fund request (See Attached)
- Treasurer's Report
- Recreation Director contract- Cale Green
- Certified contracts- Ben Worcester and Allison Duensing
- Summer Program contracts
- Supplemental contract for Preschool Director- Sammie Parker

Curriculum Corner

The Technology report from Ron Hardin will be tabled until April.

REPORTS

Principal's Reports

Mr. Green gave the Elementary Principal's reports. Mr. Bergkamp gave the Jr.-Sr. High Principal's report.

Maintenance Director's Report

Clayton Reed reported on maintenance issues and upcoming projects.

Superintendent's Report

Superintendent John Bergkamp reported on the Phone System, Food Service and Kansas Power Pool. Robert Chase moved, seconded by Melva Sanner to approve the lease program with Blue Valley. Motion carried 6-1.

20-21 Calendar

Mr. Bergkamp presented two proposed calendars for the 2020-21 school year. Mike Vermetten moved, seconded by Theresa Minihan to approve Option B as presented for the 2020-2021 School Year. Motion carried 7-0.

Church Sign Request

The New Hope Presbyterian Church requested to install a sign at 5th and Chestnut in Blue Rapids. It was the consensus of the Board to allow this sign.

Blue Rapids Alumni

The Blue Rapids Alumni requested permission to place a sign at the corner of 5th and East Avenue in Blue Rapids, marking the site of the Blue Rapids School. Theresa Minihan moved, seconded by Melva Sanner to approve the installation of the Blue Rapids Alumni sign. Motion carried 7-0. (*David Vermetten excused himself at 6:56 p.m.*)

Willson Fund Request

The Marshall County Arts Cooperative requested \$1,000 for the performance of the Big Bang Boom Band for the Waterville Elementary students on May 8, 2020. Melva Sanner moved, seconded by Theresa Minihan to approve the request as presented. Motion carried 6-0. (*David Vermetten returned to the meeting at 6:58 p.m.*)

ADJOURNMENT

David Vermetten moved, seconded by Mike Vermetten to adjourn. Motion carried 7-0.

Teresa Penning, Clerk

Date