

# NORTH OTTAWA COUNTY USD No. 239

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## Special Meeting of the Board of Education USD #239 DISTRICT OFFICE

**DUE TO THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC, LIMITATIONS OF THE STATE STAY AT HOME ORDER  
AND LIMITS ON GATHERINGS EXCEEDING 10 PEOPLE,  
NO PUBLIC ATTENDANCE MAY OCCUR FOR THIS MEETING**

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**MONDAY, March 27, 2020  
5:30 PM**

Call to Order: President Nelson called the meeting to order at 5:30 pm.

### I. Roll Call

Members Present: Justin Abell, Dr. Bruce Labes, Brigitte Nelson, Jason Parks, Tammy Shanks, Richard Shupe and Becki Travis

Members Absent: None

Others Present: Superintendent, Chris Vignery, Board Clerk Kim Shafer, and Justin Reed (for live streaming).

### II. Additions to and Adoption of the Agenda

Motion to approve the Agenda as presented made by Jason Parks, seconded by Tammy Shanks.  
**Motion carried 6-0.**

### III. New Business

Dr. Bruce Labes entered the meeting at 5:32 pm.

#### a. **APPROVAL OF CONTINUOUS LEARNING PLAN** (including Waiver Application Packet)

Superintendent Vignery discussed the Continuous Learning Plan and Waiver Application packet (waiving the 2019-2020 attendance requirements to receive exemption from KSA 72-3115 (1,116 attendance hours for all students and 1,086 attendance hours for high school seniors), that is due for state review and approval by April 8, 2020.

Moved by Brigitte Nelson, seconded by Dr. Bruce Labes, to approve the Continuous Learning Plan as presented **Motion carried 7-0.**

Moved by Brigitte Nelson, seconded by Dr. Bruce Labes, to approve the Application for Waiver as presented. **Motion carried 7-0.**

#### b. **APPROVAL OF 2020 GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS**

Following discussion, Becki Travis moved that required graduation credits will be 21 per state requirement for the 2019-2020 school year, seconded by Dr. Bruce Labes. Resolution presented:

### RESOLUTION FOR SUSPENDING BOARD POLICY IHF GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

Be it resolved that all credit requirements above and beyond those minimum required credits set by the Kansas State Department of Education, which are contained in Board of Education Policy IHF, adopted in 2015, be suspended for the graduating class of 2020. Students must meet all standards set out in K.A.R. 91-31-35, unless otherwise modified by the Kansas State Board of Education or the Kansas State Department of Education, to qualify for graduation in May 2020.

**Motion carried 7-0.**

#### IV. Adjournment

At 6:08 pm, Tammy Shanks moved that the meeting be adjourned. Dr. Bruce Labes seconded the motion. **Motion carried 7-0.**

Respectfully Submitted:



Kim Shafer, USD 239 Board Clerk

Approved:



Brigitte Nelson, USD 239 Board President

APPROVED

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By:



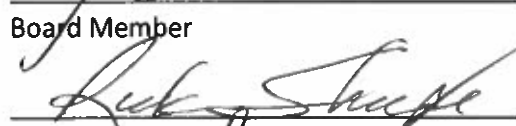
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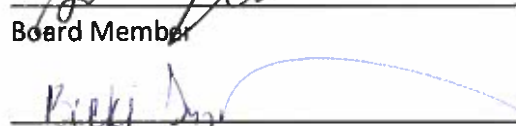
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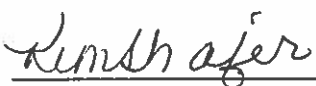


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Attest:



Clerk, Board of Education

## **IHF Graduation Requirements**

**IHF**

The board may adopt graduation requirements exceeding the minimums set forth by state regulation. Unless otherwise provided herein, in order to qualify for graduation, the board requires each candidate to earn 23 academic credits of a type meeting state and district requirements beginning with the class of 2007.

Exceptions may be granted by the board to waive local graduation requirements that are in excess of the state minimum requirements for students on a case by case basis.

The board shall award a student a diploma if the student is at least 17 years old; is enrolled or resides in the district; was in custody of the Secretary of the Kansas Department of Corrections (KDOC), the Secretary for DCF, or a federally recognized Indian tribe in this state at any time on or after the student's 14<sup>th</sup> birthday; and has achieved at least the minimum high school graduation requirements adopted by the state board of education.

Other situations which may warrant waiver of graduation requirements in excess of the minimum requirements adopted by the state board include, but may not be limited to, the following circumstances:

- if such student is an adult learner whose four-year cohorts have graduated; or
- if such student is attending an alternative school or program and has experienced high mobility, teen pregnancy, long-term illness, or other hardship conditions.

Approved: KASB Recommendation 9/97; 6/04; 4/07; 6/15

Approved: August 10, 2015