

Inside Circle

Staff Newsletter

April 2020

The Vision and Purpose of Circle USD 375, in partnership with our communities, is to educate each student to be an engaged, knowledgeable, responsible and productive citizen in the 21st Century.

Summary of the Board of Education Meetings

April 13, 2020

REGULAR MEETING

CALL TO ORDER

President Jared Swilley called the April 13, 2020 Board of Education Special meeting to order at 6:00pm at Circle Administrative Office. Those present were board member Kristy Evans. Members present by Zoom meeting: Jared Swilley, Ben Whiteside, Janet Varner, Jake Myers, Casey Winchell and Nathan White. Others present were Superintendent Don Potter, Assistant Superintendent Michael Janzen, BOE Clerk Kari Killman, CHS Athletic Director John Coslett. Others present by Zoom meeting: Business Manager Elizabeth Turner.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all in attendance.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

The board approved the agenda as printed.

CONSENT AGENDA

The board approved the consent agenda as presented.

TREASURERS REPORT

The board approved the treasurer's report as presented.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

Principal reports were shared with the board.

Mr. Nibarger's development report was shared with the board.

SUPERINTENDENTS REPORT

The KESA visit is now postponed to late April or early May. A virtual meeting will be held this spring, followed by an in person visit in the fall for the 2019-20 review. An in person visit will be scheduled in the spring of 2021 to review the 2020-21 plan.

Professional Learning Conference will be changed. All participants will be attending the Omaha conference in July.

Surveys have been sent out to address any improvements that need to be made to the Continuous Learning Plan. The staff has done an amazing job adapting to this new way of learning.

Meals have been successful. We are delivering meals to those who need it. We have also set up mobile sites.

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Wifi hotspot devices have been secured from AT&T and will be provided to those families who needed it.

Student grades cannot lower, they can only improve.

Graduation plans are currently being discussed and what is the best scenario for that.

Federal Aid for COVID-19 expenses are being discussed. More information will be coming from the state.

Technology budget will be presented at the May meeting for approval.

Due to COVID-19, Right at School has decided it will not continue in the state of Kansas for the 2020-21 school year. A termination letter has been provided from them.

Due to COVID -19, Susan B. Allen has terminated their Athletic Trainer Agreement with the district.

Mr. Janzen provided information on a Food Service Consultant for the interim to take care of the vacated Director duties.

2020-2021 HANDBOOKS

The board approved handbook changes as presented.

2020-2021 MEAL PRICES

The board approved meal prices for 2020-2021 school year as presented.

ELEMENTARY VIRTUAL SUMMER SCHOOL

The board approved virtual summer school in June.

BSN SPORTS/NIKE REWARDS PROGRAM

The board approved a 5-year contract with BSN Sports/Nike Rewards Program as presented.

PERSONNEL

The board approved the following resignations: CHS Head Wrestling Coach Todd Chrisman, CTE Food Service Dennis Luginbill. Other: District Food Service Teresa Adams, CHS Custodian Bryan Moore.

The board approved the following retirements with thanks and appreciation for number of years of service: CBE Food Service Kitchen Manager Kayla Gillham, District Maintenance Supervisor Ron Gillham.

The board approved the following appointments: Interim Food Service Consultant Eileen Blick

The board approved the following appointments for the 2020-2021 School Year: CMS Art Teacher Tiffany Harris

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

Board Member Ben Whiteside expressed his concerns with how to conduct executive session from an online platform. Mr. Potter will check with KSDE for further guidance.

Board Member Nathan White asked about how new students are being enrolled.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business before the board, President Jared Swilley declared the meeting adjourned at 7:08pm.