

BOARD MEETING--LITTLE RIVER JR./SR. HIGH SCHOOL COMMONS AREA/ZOOM MEETING--LITTLE RIVER, KANSAS--MAY 11, 2020

The regular monthly meeting of the Board of Education of Unified School District 444 was held in the Little River Jr./Sr. High School Commons Area at Little River on Monday, May 11, 2020 via Zoom Meeting. Board members present were: Derrick Herzog (via Zoom Meeting), Austin Neufeld (via Zoom Meeting), Doug Peters (in person/Zoom Meeting), Andrew Porter (Zoom Meeting), Jackie Ribordy (in person), Wade Wright (in person) and Susan Zeller (in person). Also present: Superintendent Brent Garrison (in person/Zoom Meeting), Clerk Marsha K. Heinly (in person) and Principals Audrey Herbst (via Zoom Meeting) and Jon Paden (via Zoom Meeting) and Ryan Rose (in person).

President Doug Peters called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m.

Agenda:

- I. Susan Zeller moved to approve the agenda with moving items c. Consideration of resignation and hires and d. Use of Facilities Request under Item 3. Consent Agenda to Item Number 11 Other Action Items. Second by Andrew Porter. Motion carried. Yes--7 No--0
- II. Susan Zeller moved to approve the consent agenda as reordered. Second by Wade Wright. Motion carried. Yes--7 No--0
 - Minutes of the special meetings on April 8, 2020 and the regular meeting on April 13, 2020
 - Clerk/Treasurer's reports
 - *Out of District Applications – Kyler Bergkamp, Annaleice Birdsong, Treygan Birdsong, Ruxton Birdsong, Isabella DeBaere, Mea DeBaere, Chenzi DeBaere, Illie DeBaere, Peyton Erickson, Reece Erickson, Arika Feldman, Kade Feldman, Chance Frownfelter, Ryan Loder, Josie Nelson, Jaycee Nelson, Adison Skinner, Emilie Snapp, Colyer Williams, Graham Williams, Cad Young and Braden Young
 - Resolution 20-115 Destroy Records
- III. Ryan Rose updated the board regarding the Zoom meetings and Goggle Classroom that teachers are utilizing for online lessons.
- IV. Reports by Principals Audrey Herbst and Jon Paden included:
 - *Teachers/Parents/Students have come together for the Continuous Learning Plan
 - Teacher Appreciation week was held May 4 through May 8
 - Teachers packing up classrooms and preparing for their temporary classrooms while construction on the bond project is happening
 - Little River High School Seniors' last day is May 15th and grades Pre-K through eleventh grade is May 20th
 - Grade reports are due on May 21st.
 - A Graduation Shower will be held from 3:00 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. in Little River in honor of the Class of 2020, with a formal graduation ceremony being scheduled for July 18th
 - Little River Jr./Sr. High School 2020-2021 class offerings
 - Windom Elementary School Staff Service Awards – Debbie Gadberry – 20 years; Robin Shaw – 10 years; and Zoe Kratzer – Retirement Award
 - Windom Elementary School Technology/School Items Drop-Off will be held on May 21st from 3:30 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

- V. Principals Audrey Herbst and Jon Paden updated the board on the district's KESA School Accreditation process. The district is currently in year four of the five-year cycle. A KESA on-site visit will be held on May 28th.
- VI. Superintendent Brent Garrison shared with the board the health insurance costs for the 2020-2021 school year will increase 3%. Currently, the district provides a full \$650 Deductible single premium for full-time employees.
- VII. Due to the COVID-19 virus restrictions, a formal graduation ceremony will not be possible on May 16th, but has been rescheduled for July 18th as long as the restrictions have been lifted. A Graduation Shower will be held on Main Street in Little River from 3:00 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. on May 16th to honor the Class of 2020. Chris Herbst of Long McArthur Ford in Salina and Tory Tipp of State Farm in Lyons graciously donated banners for the Class of 2020 to be displayed on the lampposts on Main Street in Little River.
- VIII. A facilities update shared with the board by Superintendent Brent Garrison entailed information on the upcoming bond project and that demolition will begin this summer at both locations.
- IX. Summer conditioning can start June 1st as per KSHSSA guidelines, however there will be some restrictions due to the COVID-19 Pandemic. Mr. Morrow is visiting with coaches to develop plans in order to follow the restrictions given.
- X. Superintendent Brent Garrison shared with the board a budget update and the concerns the COVID-19 Pandemic may have on future school district budgets. The legislators are scheduled to come back in to legislative session on May 21st.
- XI. The 2020-2021 scheduling of courses offered to students in the Little River Jr./Sr. High School was discussed.
- XII. The board discussed when the possibility of the weight room could be opened back up for the public to use. This topic will be discussed further at the June 8th board meeting.
- XIII. There were no Action Items necessary.
- XIV. Report by Superintendent Brent Garrison included:
- Resurfacing of track areas – has been put on hold due to the COVID-19 Pandemic
 - Little River Jr./Sr. High School Auditorium Update – the lighting and sound system upgrade has been completed
 - Spring Scheduling
 - Summer Help
 - Monsanto Grant – Corineah Williams has submitted an application
 - Driver's Ed – a letter will be mailed to parents and is scheduled to begin June 15th
 - Teacher Appreciation – a gift certificate to the Garden of Eden was given to each teacher
 - Contact Legislators – the board was encouraged to contact legislators regarding of opening schools
- XV. No executive session was necessary for Negotiations.
- XVI. No executive session was necessary for Non-elected Personnel.

- XVII. No executive session was necessary for Matters affecting a student.
- XVIII. Susan Zeller moved to accept the resignation from Maggie Neufeld as the jr. high school head volleyball coach. Second by Wade Wright. Motion carried. Yes--6 No--1 (Austin Neufeld abstained.)
- XIX. Susan Zeller moved to approve the use of school facility request from the Little River Learning Center. Second by Jackie Ribordy. Motion carried. Yes--7 No--0
- XX. Susan Zeller moved to adjourn the meeting. Second by Jackie Ribordy. Motion carried. Yes--7 No--0 (The meeting was adjourned at 8:22 p.m.)

Board President

Marsha K. Heinly, Clerk

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