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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, May 11, 2020
6:30 PM**

Call to Order: President Nelson called the meeting to order at 6:32 pm – slight delay due to technical difficulties.

I. Roll Call

Board Member	In Person	via Phone	via Zoom	ABSENT
Abell, Justin	X			
Labes, Dr. Bruce			X	
Nelson, Brigitte	X			
Parks, Jason	X			
Shanks, Tammy			X	
Shupe, Richard	X			
Travis, Becki			X	

Others Present: Superintendent, Chris Vignery, Board Clerk, Kim Shafer. Principals: Patricia Anderson (Zoom), Terry Moeckel (Zoom), Ryan Mortimer (Zoom).

II. Additions to and Adoption of the Agenda

President Nelson advised that two (2) items needed to be added to the Agenda: III. d., approval of items to Purple Wave, and VI. B., approval of 20-21 school calendar. Jason Parks moved to approve the Agenda as presented with the addition of III. d. Approval of Items to Purple Wave, and VI. b. Approval of 20-21 School Calendar. Motion seconded by Justin Abell. **Motion carried 7-0.**

III. Consent Agenda

Motion to approve the Consent Agenda as presented made by Justin Abell, seconded by Jason Parks. **Motion carried 7-0.**

IV. Reports and Comments of Principals, Committees, and Visitors

President Nelson referred the Board to the letter of appreciation from Ilene Mullen, which was included in the board packet.

Ryan Mortimer had previously submitted KSHSAA Board of Directors Notes from May 1, 2020 with the board. Mr. Mortimer also indicated he had spoken with Trisha Smith at the Health Department and we will follow the Governor's guidelines.

Pat Anderson had submitted her written report for board review. Mrs. Anderson added that she had met with each grade level teams, Special Ed and Title teachers to discuss summer learning packets, and summer maintenance. The grade level meetings were very productive.

Terry Moeckel had submitted his written report for board review.

V. Report of Superintendent

- Ballfield Restrooms. Mr. Vignery related that he had received an update from Brent Kindall regarding the restroom project. Bids were low enough they will be able to proceed. Once the project has been approved by the commissioners, Mr. Kindall will provide a copy for the board.
- State Budget. The state is reporting that we should be able to finish this year just fine,
- Art / Industrial Arts Rooms. Mr. Vignery reported that the room swap is moving along quickly and should be completed in about two (2) weeks.
- Staff Appreciation. Superintendent Vignery asked the board for their thoughts on providing a staff appreciation meal on June 1. He also indicated that social distancing would be maintained. One member suggested a whole hog roast, with another suggesting a food truck. Mr. Vignery will put out a survey to all staff for their thoughts.
- Continuance Learning Update. Surveys seeking feedback were sent to students, parents, and also teachers. Superintendent Vignery related a summary of responses received that included students liked being able to work ahead, could rewind the video and watch and listen to the teacher again. Students disliked not being able to ask a question and get a quick response, and missed the social aspect of friends and teachers. Parents were asked about communication with teachers, administrators, and the amount and quality of schoolwork assigned. The percentage of responses were somewhat low – perhaps 25%. Of those responding, 65-80% indicated they were satisfied with the plan, roughly 33% were somewhat satisfied, and 2% indicated they were not at all satisfied. Using chemistry as a snapshot, high school attendance was at 94% with 24 out of 28 students present 100% of the time. Junior high math had about 82% overall of all students and fifth grade with about 92% attendance.
- KSDE July 10th Guidelines. Guidelines for the fall, if we return to Continuous Learning, are expected to be available on July 10.
- Kindergarten Screening. Rescheduling of the annual Kindergarten Screening is being planned.

VI. Old Business

- a. Synthetic Turf Update. Mr. Vignery reported that the project may begin around June 15, 2020, with an anticipated completion by August 1. The company is currently working on the field at Bethany College and we will be invited down to take a look – same type of field we will be installing. A contract for board review and approval will be provided to the board by the June meeting.
- b. 20-21 Calendar. Staff has reviewed and voted to approve the proposed 2020-2021 Calendar C. Motion made by Dr. Bruce Labes, seconded by Jason Parks, to approve the 2020-2021 Calendar C. **Motion carried 7-0.**

VII. New Business

- a. Curriculum. A draft of K-12 building wide/district wide curriculum was provided to the board for review. A discussion on the format, content, etc., was held. Once all class information is received and the draft is finalized, it will be presented to the board for their review and approval. No action taken.
- b. Approve 2020-2021 Membership and Legal Fees with KASB. Motion to approve the 2020-2021 Membership and Legal Fees with KASB made by Jason Parks, seconded by Justin Abell. **Motion carried 7-0.**
- c. Approve 2020-2021 Lunch Prices. A spreadsheet showing area meal prices were part of the board's packet. Motion to approve the 2020-2021 meal prices as presented made by Justin Abell, seconded by Becki Travis. **Motion carried 7-0.**

- d. Opaa! Renewal. A copy of the renewal contract for the food service was included in the board packet. With no questions asked, motion to renew the food service contract with Opaa! made by Jason Parks, seconded by Justin Abell. **Motion carried 7-0.**
- e. Chromebooks. Discussion was held on rotating out the first batch of chromebooks purchased to our exiting seniors. Dr. Labes asked if the seniors wanted their chromebooks. Superintendent Vignery indicated that it would be left up to them; however, the chromebooks would first need to be wiped by the tech coordinator and the senior returning to pick it up. Dr. Labes then asked if the chromebooks had any value for resale. Mr. Vignery said that the version of the chromebooks were no longer able to be updated. Motion made by Justin Abell for seniors to keep the chromebook issued to them, if they choose. Motion seconded by Richard Shupe. **Motion carried 7-0.**
- f. Executive Session: Negotiations. President Nelson indicated that no additional information had been received from NOCTA, so executive session was not needed.
- g. Executive Session: Non-Elected Personnel. Ryan Mortimer told the board McKenna Schardt would like to help coach junior high girls' basketball. President Nelson asked the board of executive session for non-elected personnel was necessary. Motion to approve the 2020-2021 supplemental contracts as presented, with the addition of McKenna Schardt as junior high girls' basketball coach. Motion seconded by Justin Abell. **Motion carried 7-0.**
- h. Employee Resignation(s). Motion to approve the resignation of Linda Smith of her teaching position from USD #239 made by Justin Abell, seconded by Dr. Bruce Labes. **Motion carried 7-0.**
- i. Employee Confirmation(s). None.
- j. May 11, 2020 Agenda Items:
- Budget Close Out Motion
 - Student Handbooks
 - Enrollment Fees
 - Football Field Contract
 - Ballfield Restroom Project Update

VIII. Adjournment

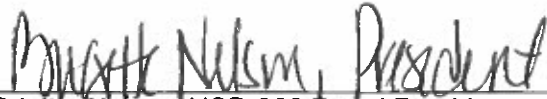
At 7:22 pm, Jason Parks moved that the meeting be adjourned. Justin Abell seconded the motion. **Motion carried 7-0.**

Respectfully Submitted:



Kim Shafer, USD 239 Board Clerk

Approved:



Brigitte Nelson, USD 239 Board President