

USD #393 Board of Education
Solomon High School Library
Solomon, Ks. 67480

Regular Meeting
7:00 PM
October 14, 2019

Members Present: Andrea McCook, President, Brad Homman, Vice President, Todd Brungardt, Carrie Herbel, Denise Miller, Justin Zerbe Administration & Staff Present: Justin Coup, Superintendent, David Smedley, PreK-8 Principal, Nick Owen, 9-12 Principal, Dean Ann Zsamba, Clerk of the Board, Guests: Shelby Noggle, Liz Krause, Dani Hagen, Arlyn Gonzales, Elizabeth Ledet, FBLA Members

President Andrea McCook called the regular meeting to order. Andrea led the audience in reciting the pledge of allegiance and recited the district mission statement.

Justin Zerbe moved to approve the printed agenda with the additions to consent agenda of Kansas Beef Council Grant and donation from City of Solomon \$500.00 to Football Team for city clean up. Brad Homman seconded the motion. Motion carried. 6 – 0.

Superintendent Coup presented the bills, vouchers and financial statements. Discussion followed. The final bill from Prairie Building Systems was reviewed for the bus barn project. Members discussed charges from AT&T for service interruption repair caused by work at the City Pool by one of their contractors. More information will be available at a later meeting. Brad Homman moved to approve the bills vouchers and financials statements as presented. Justin Zerbe seconded the motion. Motion carried. 6 – 0.

Andrea McCook, President, reviewed the consent agenda: Approval of minutes of September 9 regular meeting and October 2 Special Meeting; Approval of Power Panther Nutrition Grant \$4.00 per student; Approval of Edward Harris, Substitute Teacher; Approval of City of Solomon Donation of \$500.00 to football team for help with clean up; Approval of the Kansas Beef Check Off Grant to the FACS Program. Denise Miller moved to approve the consent agenda as presented and amended. Carrie Herbel seconded the motion. Motion carried. 6 – 0.

Superintendent Coup reviewed his written report. Mr. Coup reviewed the recent submission of the Superintendent's Organizational Report and the Principal's Building Reports. District enrollment has increased as well as students qualified for free and reduced lunch programs. The average teaching salary at Solomon including benefits has increased over the prior year as well as adding one full time teaching position. Discussion followed. Information submitted in this report will be audited by the KSDE staff and the district's final operating budget will be determined. Discussion followed. Superintendent Coup discussed the current funding law for high density weighting. Discussion followed.

David Smedley, Prek-8 Principal reviewed his written report. ACT ASPIRE ASSESSMENTS ARE COMPLETE. Some of the recent happenings in the building include Lunch with your Super Star, Bring Your Parents to PE, Classroom Buddies

forming connections with high school students and elementary students; Upcoming robotics competition. He also advised that MS Football team was undefeated so far this year. He also congratulated Kiera Smith for being undefeated at all cross country meets to date this year. Discussion followed. Denise Miller advised that she had heard many positive comments about the classroom buddies project and relationships are being formed as a result of that project. Discussion followed.

Nick Owen, 9-12 Principal reviewed his written report. He advised our local FCCLA Chapter has been successful with their fund raising efforts. The two year cycle for football scheduling is complete. Mr. Owen congratulated the junior class for winning the homecoming float contest. He reported that the band received a #1 rating at the recent state fair competition. ACT Aspire test data has been uploaded into ION for staff to access this information. The high school student of the month is Marcus Baxter.

Parents as Teachers and Technology reports were reviewed. Liz Krause Recreation Commission member advised that there will not be a Halloween activity this year. She also stated that adult volleyball is on Sunday afternoons and to contact Stacey Zerbe for times and dates. Carrie Herbel moved to approve the reports as presented. Justin Zerbe seconded the motion. Motion carried. 6 – 0.

Future Business Leaders of America Chapter members – Arlyn Gonzales, Dani Hagen and Elizabeth Ledet presented a request to board members to attend the regional conference in Denver, November 15 – November 17. Discussion followed. Students will be accompanied by Sponsor AnnMarie Bucholz and her husband. 11 students will attend. Discussion followed. Funds have been raised by the organization for this experience. Justin Zerbe moved to approve this request as presented. Denise Miller seconded the motion. Motion carried. 6- 0.

Superintendent Coup and board members reviewed current board policy GAOC – Use of Tobacco Products and Nicotine and JCDA tobacco and Nicotine Delivery Devices. Discussion followed. No changes were made to the existing policy. Members discussed joining the existing lawsuit brought by Goddard public schools suing the e-cigarette, vaping industry. Brad Homman moved to join the existing lawsuit as discussed providing no additional costs are incurred by USD #393 Solomon. Denise Miller seconded the motion. Motion carried. 6 – 0.

Andrea McCook, President led members in a review of the recent board retreat held October 2, 2019. Discussion followed. Board goals and ideas for action steps were discussed. Board goals discussed included Enhance learning opportunities for students; Increase parent community involvement with school; Develop a plan for facility improvement. Possible dates for the community strategic planning meeting were February 25, 26 or 27th at the Catholic Parish Hall. Members were asked to recommend three patrons/parents each to be invited to participate in this process. No action was taken.

Superintendent Coup asked board members to confirm their attendance at the upcoming KASB Convention. Discussion followed.

Justin Zerbe moved to accept the resignations of Bill Scheff, Asst. Boys Basketball Coach and Andrew Johnson, Sophomore Class Sponsor and to hire Becky Mathews as a Data Specialist and Boe Soden as Asst. Boys Basketball Coach. Carrie Herbel seconded the motion. Motion carried. 6 – 0.

Andrea McCook reviewed upcoming future dates and topics: October 21 – No school – Parent Teacher Conference Noon – 8PM; October 22 – Regional Volleyball at Centre; October 25 – No school Teacher Comp. Day; October 26 – Regional Cross County and Sub-State Volleyball; November 11 – Regular Board of Education Meeting -7PM – High School Library.

With no further business to conduct, Todd Brungardt moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:30 PM. Justin Zerbe seconded the motion. Motion carried. 6 – 0.

Andrea McCook, President

Dean Ann Zsamba Clerk of the Board

The next regular meeting of USD #393 Board of Education is scheduled for Monday, November 11 2019 at 7:00 PM in the high school library.

