

OFFICIAL MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION  
ST. JOHN-HUDSON U.S.D. #350  
REGULAR SESSION  
February 8, 2016

**CALL TO ORDER**

The Board of Education of Unified School District 350, State of Kansas, Stafford County, met in regular session at 6:00 p.m. in the board room, on Monday February 8, 2016. The meeting was called to order by President Chad Fisher.

**MEMBERS PRESENT**

Chad Fisher, Carl Behr, Debby Waddle, Darin Brummer, Vance Fisher, Barb Alpers, Derek Foote

**STAFF PRESENT**

Josh Meyer, Mike Burgan, Travis Olive, Alisa Fisher, Clint Kinnamon

**WELCOME VISITORS**

Carol Riegel

**ADDITIONS/CHANGES TO THE AGENDA**

None

**APPROVE THE AGENDA**

Derek Foote moved and Vance Fisher seconded the motion to approve the agenda as presented.

YES: 7            NO: 0            MOTION CARRIED

**APPROVE CONSENT AGENDA**

Minutes of the January 11, 2016 regular meeting

Bills for payment

Financial Reports

Activity Fund Report

Barb Alpers moved and Darin Brummer seconded the motion to approve the consent agenda as presented.

YES: 7            NO: 0            MOTION CARRIED

**PATRON COMMENTS**

None

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## **BUSINESS ITEMS**

### **Activity account changes**

The staff would like to consolidate four of the music accounts into one account. It is recommended that accounts #345, #346, and #450 consolidate into #448 and to change the name to music club instead of band club.

Debby Waddle moved and Barb Alpers seconded to approve the consolidation of the activity accounts into one account and changing the name to music club instead of band club.

YES: 7            NO: 0            MOTION CARRIED

### **Policy Updates**

Last month the board discussed recommended policy changes from KASB. There have been no changes from last month's discussion.

Derek Foote moved and Carl Behr seconded to approve the mid-year policy updates as presented.

YES: 7            NO: 0            MOTION CARRIED

Note: Policy updates included as an appendix to these minutes.

### **Calendar for 2016-17**

The Calendar for 2016-17 was discussed, with the board reviewing two different drafts of the next year's calendar. Plans are to get further input from the teachers, calendar committee and the site councils. The board will then approve the final draft in March.

### **Capital Outlay budget**

Mr. Meyer stated we are well within our planned and legal budget. The district has a need for technology updates, student computers, HVAC system and boiler pumps and to finish the fire alarm project. All of these are planned expenses. Other possible improvements were discussed.

### **Courses /Curriculum Updates**

Mr. Burgan and Mr. Olive updated the board on the curriculum and course offerings.

### **Community Facility Use**

The board reviewed the current policy for community facility use. The consensus of the board is to leave the current policy unchanged.

### **COMMUNICATION**

#### **Board member activities & Reports:**

Chad Fisher thanked Mr. Meyer about the weekly articles he has been putting in the St. John News.

#### **Administrative Reports**

Mr. Olive reported on the following: Enrollment numbers are up by a few. Stafford County spelling was held on January 27, the winner was from Stafford. Jump rope for heart was January 23-29<sup>th</sup>. The elementary has started a student of the month program. PTO put a design on the Southside of the playground on the fence. PTO has talked about doing something similar like it at the track too. PTO also put in a buddy bench on the playground in for kids to use if they feel like they need a friend to play with.

Mr. Burgan reported on the following: Enrollment numbers remain the same. Mr. Burgan talked about the Quiz bowl and Scholar's Bowl, two seniors are attending the honors program, and a Music program was in Dodge City. Six students have been selected for the National Honors Society.

Mr. Meyer reported on the following: We are looking at getting chrome books for one-to-one for HS grades. Mr. Meyer has talked with someone from E – Rate funding for telecommunication and internet, getting high speed internet in the class rooms and having wireless internet throughout the school. There are still two open positions for math and a tech coordinator. Mr. Meyer mentioned having a High School clay target league. The board brought up their concern on the liability. Mr. Meyer said he would check into the liability issue and bring it back to the board. On February 16<sup>th</sup>, there will be a retirement recognition reception in the band room for Mr. Miller and Mrs. Synder after between the boys' and girls' games that evening. Mr. Meyer talked about the safe route to schools grant program possibly having the Stafford Economic Development provide the funding for a study. There was some discussion about districts consolidating, but the house committee will not vote on the bill for now.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Barb Alpers moved and Vance Fisher seconded the motion to recess to executive session at 7:37 pm for the purpose of discussing personnel matters in order to protect the privacy of non-elected personnel and that the board returns to open session at 7:42 p.m. Mr. Meyer was asked to be included.

YES: 7            NO: 0            MOTION CARRIED

The board returned to open session at 7:42pm.

Barb Alpers moved and Vance Fisher seconded the motion to extend the executive session for 5 minutes.

The board returned to open session at 7:47pm.

**CLOSING BUSINESS ITEMS**

None

**FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

- (a) Approve calendar for next year
- (b) Technology Plan review
- (c) Update on school vehicles
- (d) Review / approve curriculum changes for next year
- (e) Consider Principals' contracts
- (f) Drug testing policy
- (g) Math teacher / computer coordinator hiring

Derek Foote moved and Debby Waddle seconded the motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:50pm.

YES: 7            NO: 0            MOTION CARRIED

APPROVED AND SIGNED THIS \_\_\_\_\_ DAY OF \_\_\_\_\_ 2016

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PRESIDENT

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BOARD CLERK