

UNOFFICIAL MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION
ST. JOHN-HUDSON U.S.D. #350
REGULAR SESSION
August 14, 2017

CALL TO ORDER

The Board of Education of Unified School District 350, State of Kansas, Stafford County, met in regular session at 7:00 p.m. in the board room, on Monday August 14, 2017. The meeting was called to order by President Chad Fisher.

MEMBERS PRESENT

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

STAFF PRESENT

Josh Meyer, Travis Olive, Alisa Fisher, Andrea Siefkes

WELCOME VISITORS

None

ADDITIONS/CHANGES TO THE AGENDA

Elementary principal contract

APPROVE THE AGENDA

Vance Fisher moved and Darin Brummer seconded the motion to approve the agenda as amended.

YES: 7 NO: 0 MOTION CARRIED

APPROVE CONSENT AGENDA

Minutes of the July 10 regular meeting

Bills for payment

Financial Reports

Activity Fund Report

Derek Foote moved and Barb Alpers seconded the motion to approve the consent agenda as presented.

YES: 7 NO: 0 MOTION CARRIED

PATRON COMMENTS

None

BUSINESS ITEMS

2017-18 Budget

The recommended budget, along with relevant information was included on the supporting documents file to the board members. Mr. Meyer presented information about the budget and answered questions from the board. The budget will be published in the St. John News on August 16th. There will be a special meeting held on August 28th at 7:30am for the budget hearing and approval.

Board Goals

Updated board goals for 2017-18 year was presented to the board on the supporting documents file. Debby Waddle moved and Carl Behr seconded the motion to approve the 2017-18 board goals as presented.

YES: 7 NO: 0 MOTION CARRIED

Substance Abuse Prevention

The board discussed options how to prevent substance abuse by students. Some options were to have the drug dog come to the school more often during the year and offering counseling services.

Library Budget

The proposed library budget was presented to the board on the supporting documents file. Darin Brummer moved and Derek Foote seconded that the Board approve the 2017-18 library budget as presented.

YES: 7 NO: 0 MOTION CARRIED

Special Education Cooperative Assessments

The district is assessed a fee for our share of the special education cooperative costs. This fee is based on student enrollment. The fee schedule and the share of the assessment for each cooperating district was presented to the board. Vance Fisher moved and Barb Alpers seconded that the board approve the special education assessment schedule as presented.

YES: 7 NO: 0 MOTION CARRIED

Shared Staff Agreements

The district shares an elementary counselor and a Spanish teacher with Stafford USD 349. This has been a positive and productive partnership over the years. It is recommended that we continue this process. Derek Foot moved and Debby Waddle seconded the motion that the board approve the shared staff agreements for 2017-18 as presented for Kathryn Jensen and Kim Volker.

YES: 7 NO: 0 MOTION CARRIED

Board Policy Updates

Recommended board policy updates were presented to the board on the supporting documents file. The policy changes were discussed at the last meeting. Debby Waddle moved and Darin Brummer seconded that the Board approve the board policy update as presented.

YES: 7 NO: 0 MOTION CARRIED

Bus Purchase

Information about the district's transportation fleet was provided to the board members. There is a concern with bus #42. The board should consider purchasing a new activity bus to replace this used bus. It was the consensus of the board move forward to update the bus fleet.

Board member activities and reports

Debby Waddle attended a SCKSEC meeting and an advocacy program at KASB. She also attended the midnight madness at the football field. Chad Fisher complimented the staff for doing a good job on enrollment day.

Administrative Reports

Mr. Olive reported on enrollment numbers, fall sports practice starts August 14th, new staff orientation is August 18th, staff 1st day is August 21st, 1st day of school is August 24th, Tiger pride night is August 25th and a 10 plan for uniform rotation. Mr. Meyer discussed some of the accomplishments that the school has over the past few years like the farm to school program, robotics class, afterschool program, career day and community service day just to name a few. Students will have the opportunity to be a part of a class to learn what it takes to start a business, the finances, inspections and other parts of running a business. The staff had training last Friday on a new reading series we will have this year. Enrollment numbers were presented from Mr. Meyer, with the numbers being down a little. The maintenance projects that have been completed include: painting, tennis court, roofing, and lighting in the auditorium. There is some excess equipment that we will be getting rid of on purple wave. We still have the lots for sale for homes to be built on thought Stafford County Economic Development.

EXECUTIVE SESSION ITEMS

Personnel

Barb Alpers and Carl Behr moved and seconded the motion to recess to executive session at 8:13 p.m. for the purpose of discussing personnel matters in order to protect the privacy of non-elected personnel with Mr. Meyer and Mr. Olive to be included, and that the board returns to open session at 8:23 p.m.

YES: 7 NO: 0 MOTION CARRIED

The board returned to open session at 8:23 p.m.

Barb Alpers moved and Derek Foote seconded the motion to extend the executive session for 5 minutes.

YES: 7 NO: 0 MOTION CARRIED

The board returned to open session at 8:28 p.m.

Derek Foote and Derek Foote moved and seconded the motion to recess to executive session at 8:29 p.m. for the purpose of discussing employee –employer negotiating fair and equitable contract with Mr. Meyer and Mr. Olive to be included and that they return to open session at 8:34.

YES: 7 NO: 0 MOTION CARRIED

The board returned to open session at 8:34 p.m.

CLOSING BUSINESS ITEMS

RESIGNATIONS – CONTRACTS

Derek Foote moved and Vance Fisher seconded the motion to accept the resignation of Justin Smith effective immediately.

YES: 6 NO: 1 MOTION CARRIED

Debby Waddle moved and Barb Alpers seconded the motion to approve the 2017-18 negotiated agreement as presented.

YES: 7 NO: 0 MOTION CARRIED

Barb Alpers moved and Carl Behr seconded the motion to approve a pay raise of 2.8% for all classified staff and administrators effective July 1, 2017.

YES: 7 NO: 0 MOTION CARRIED

Debby Waddle moved and Carl Behr seconded the motion to approve Mr. Meyer’s supplemental contract as Elementary Principal for the duration of the 2017-18 school year.

YES: 7 NO: 0 MOTION CARRIED

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

- (a) Special Meeting Aug. 28th – Budget Hearing
- (b) Tour school facilities
- (c) Preliminary enrollment report

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Barb Alpers moved and Vance Fisher seconded the motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:40 p.m.

YES: 7 NO: 0 MOTION CARRIED

APPROVED AND SIGNED THIS _____ DAY OF _____ 2017

PRESIDENT

BOARD CLERK