

UNOFFICIAL MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION
ST. JOHN-HUDSON U.S.D. #350
REGULAR SESSION
January 19, 2015

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 boardroom on Monday January 19, 2015. The meeting was called to order by President Chad Fisher.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Chad Fisher, Barbara Alpers, Carl Behr, Vance Fisher, Tom Garner and Stan Woodward.

STAFF PRESENT

Josh Meyer, Tara Kinnamon, Travis Olive, Mike Burgan, and Juliann Owens.

WELCOME VISITORS

Trey Burgan and Carol Riegel

ADDITIONS/CHANGES TO THE AGENDA

None

APPROVE THE AGENDA

Vance Fisher moved and Carl Behr seconded the motion to approve the agenda as presented.

YES: 6 NO: 0 MOTION CARRIED

APPROVE CONSENT AGENDA

Minutes of the December 8, 2014 regular meeting

Bills for payment

Budget Report

Activity Fund Report

Stan Woodward moved and Tom Garner seconded the motion to approve the consent agenda as presented.

YES: 6 NO: 0 MOTION CARRIED

PATRON COMMENTS

None.

BUSINESS ITEMS

INSURANCE – CHANGE OF AGENCY

The board has discussed moving the district's insurance business to a local agent. This requires a change of agency request. The district would still be working with the same insurance provider (Employers Mutual) for now. This move will not change costs or services; it will just bring the district's business to a Stafford County agent.

Tom Garner moved and Barbara Alpers seconded the motion to approve a change of agency from Fee Insurance to AG360 Insurance effective July 1, 2015.

YES: 6 NO: 0 MOTION CARRIED

RESOLUTION REGARDING LEGISLATIVE CHANGES TO BOARD ELECTIONS

The board has discussed opposition to changing the timeframe for elections for board of education positions. Any change would be disruptive to local government. A resolution for board consideration and approval was included in the board packets.

Tom Garner moved and Stan Woodward seconded the motion to approve Resolution #2015-14 as presented.

YES: 6 NO: 0 MOTION CARRIED

MARQUEE SIGN

The marquee sign is nearing the end of its life. It is currently turned off and is in need of repair. It will cost roughly \$6,000 to replace all light panels to become a useable sign again. This would mean putting new lights onto old electrical components. The other options for replacing the sign are included in the board packet. One more option would be to remove the message sign altogether. It is requested that the board provide direction on this issue. The administration will survey the community to find out if they feel it is worth the cost to replace the sign.

CONSIDER PRINCIPALS' CONTRACTS

Principals' contracts were included in the packet for board review and discussion. Information relating to specific personnel discussion will be discussed in closed session if needed.

COMMUNICATIONS

BOARD MEMBERS ACTIVITIES AND REPORTS

Tom Garner expressed his appreciation for the cards and placards and the cupcakes.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

Mr. Burgan reported on online classes and BCCC evening classes for 2nd Semester. Paige Doran and Ethan Huston placed 2nd and 3rd in the grades 4-8 Geography Bee on January 8. The high school FCCLA started the SAFE (seatbelts are safe for everyone) program several years ago. Students were asked to share their experiences and Morgan Krankenberg submitted a letter that was shared with Topeka Highway Patrol and she has been asked to speak at the state legislature. Bill Cordes will present to the Jr/Sr High school student on the 20th and presented to the teaching staff on the 19th. The Mid-Winter Classic begins tomorrow evening at 7:00 p.m. The HS girls play in the Hilltop Classic Tournament the week of the 26th.

Mr. Olive reported on the elementary building's participation in the Geography Bee on January 8th with Cannon Lauffer, Adrian Adame, Elijah Delp, Tristan Olive, and Zayreli Reyes participating. Elijah Delp took 1st place. The County Spelling Bee is Wednesday January 28 in Stafford. Kansas Day is January 29. Staff Development was today. The Site Council met January 7. Mr. Olive and Mr. Meyer attended ESOL workshop on January 13. The next ELA Curriculum Development is January 26.

EXECUTIVE SESSION ITEMS

DISCUSS PERSONNEL AND NEGOTIATIONS

EXECUTIVE SESSION – PERSONNEL AND NEGOTIATIONS AND A STUDENT MATTER

Barbara Alpers moved and Stan Woodward seconded the motion to recess to executive session at 8:04 p.m. in the boardroom for the purpose of discussing personnel matters for non-elected personnel and a student matter; and that the board return to open session at 8:19 p.m. in the boardroom. The executive session is required to protect the privacy interests of identifiable individuals. The Superintendent, Mr. Olive and Mr. Burgan were asked to be in attendance.

YES: 6 NO: 0 MOTION CARRIED

The board returned to open session at 8:19 p.m. in the boardroom.

Stan Woodward moved and Barbara Alpers seconded the motion to extend the executive session for 10 minutes with the board returning to open session at 8:29 p.m.

YES: 6 NO: 0 MOTION CARRIED

The board returned to open session at 8:29 p.m. in the boardroom.

Vance Fisher moved and Carl Behr seconded the motion to extend the executive session for 5 minutes with the board returning to open session at 8:34 p.m.

YES: 6 NO: 0 MOTION CARRIED

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

CLOSING BUSINESS ITEMS

Mr. Meyer presented a letter of retirement from Jolene Frink effective the end of the current school year.

Tom Garner moved and Vance Fisher seconded the motion to accept the retirement of Jolene Frink effective the end of the current school year.

YES: 6 NO: 0 MOTION CARRIED

The board reviewed the superintendent contract at the last regular meeting. It is presented for approval at this time.

Carl Behr moved and Stan Woodward seconded the motion to approve the superintendent's contract for the 2015-16 and 2016-17 school years.

YES: 6 NO: 0 MOTION CARRIED

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

- a) Financial Audit
- b) 6th Grade and JH Activities
- c) Approve Principal Contracts
- d) Consider calendar for next year

- e) Report on Courses/curriculum/school schedules
- f)

Barbara Alpers moved and Tom Garner seconded the motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:38 p.m.

YES: 6 NO: 0 MOTION CARRIED

APPROVED AND SIGNED THIS 9th DAY OF February 2015

PRESIDENT

BOARD CLERK