

**UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 343**  
**BOARD OF EDUCATION MINUTES**  
**December 8, 2014**

Minutes of the regular meeting held on December, 2014 at 6:30 p.m. in the Administration Office.

**Members Present:** Travis Daniels, Matt Erickson, Tiffany Ball, Gene Barrett, Tim Blosser, Jenny Morgison

**Members Absent:** Traci Eddy

**Also Present:** Denis Yoder, Superintendent; Judy Chamberlain, Director of Curriculum & Instruction; JB Elliott; Wayne Ledbetter; Michael Kasson; Bowen Cunningham; Cody Williams; Amber Remboldt; Taylor Wyingner; Donte Wichman; Austin Dunnaway; Kerry Aldridge; Anna Miller; Dalton Grammer; Alex Haynes; Mason Fast; Mariah Young; Nathan Thompson; Jesse Bonham; Alec Collins; Daniel Spencer Clapp; Robert Torres; Jessica Hurst; Kelsey Rodie; Haley McMullin; Jessica Payne; Delana Schwyhart; Laura Holt; Scott Hirsch; and Debbie Collins, Clerk

- 1.0 Call to Order** – President Travis Daniels called the regular meeting to order at 6:32 p.m.
- 2.0 Ordering and Approval of the Agenda** – Jenny Morgison moved to accept the agenda as presented. Matt Erickson seconded the motion. The motion carried 6-0.
- 3.0 Consent Agenda** – Matt Erickson moved to approve the Consent Agenda with the movement of item 3.7 to after executive session:

**Personnel Considerations:**

The employment of Dorothy Smith as a 32.5 hour per week employee beginning December 17; the notice of intent to retire from Linda Mooney effective December 31, 2014; and the notice of intent to retire at the end of the 2014-15 contract year from Gretchen Byer.

**Attendance Requests:**

From Felisha Herschell & Anthony Frye, Ozawkie, for their son, Alexzander Helm, to attend LES as a 3rd grader and for their daughter, Madalyn Mayer, to attend LES as a 2nd grader.

**Gifts & Grants to the District:**

Tabled until after executive session.

**Disposal of District Property:**

Bus parts and equipment as listed in the board packet – to be sold as much as can be and the remainder disposed of as scrap.

Tiffany Ball seconded the motion. Motion carried 6-0.

- 4.0 Recognitions** – None

## **5.0 Board Business**

**5.1 Early Childhood Education Update** – Director of Curriculum & Instruction, Judy Chamberlain, reported to the board on the status of early childhood education in USD 343. A detailed report was included in the board packet.

**5.2 District Promotional Campaign Update** – Superintendent Yoder reported to the board on the progress of KU Media Productions in collecting images and video for the promotional campaign.

**5.3 High School Principal Search Report** – Superintendent Yoder shared information and the timeline for the candidate selection and interviews for the open high school principal position.

**5.4 Superintendent Evaluation** – Evaluations are due to President Travis Daniels by Friday, January 2, 2015. Matt Erickson moved to begin the January 12, 2015 board meeting at 5:30 p.m. for the purpose of evaluating the superintendent. Tim Blosser seconded the motion. Motion carried 6-0.

**6.0 Executive Session** – Matt Erickson moved that the board recess to executive session for the purpose of discussing items affecting non-elected personnel in order to protect the privacy interests of the individuals being discussed. Included in the executive session will be Superintendent Denis Yoder, Director of Curriculum & Instruction Judy Chamberlain and PLHS Principal JB Elliott. This executive session should begin at 7:17 p.m. in this room with the board reconvening at this place at 7:32 p.m. Gene Barrett seconded the motion. Motion carried 6-0.

Matt Erickson moved to extend executive session by 5 minutes, to begin at 7:32 p.m. and reconvene at 7:37 p.m. Gene Barrett seconded the motion. Motion carried 6-0.

Matt Erickson moved to extend executive session by 3 minutes, to begin at 7:37 p.m. and reconvene at 7:40 p.m. Gene Barrett seconded the motion. Motion carried 6-0. Let the record show that the board returned to regular session at 7:40 p.m.

### **Gifts & Grants to the District:**

From Jared Swafford \$1,000 to the boys basketball program to purchase Polo shirts for the team to wear on game days. The shirts will remain with the program and be checked in at the end of the season.

Cash donations to the Student Council canned food drive from Amy Jones for \$20 and from Denis Yoder for \$50.

## **7.0 Reports and Communications**

### **7.1 Superintendent's Report**

- Superintendent Yoder shared that there was nothing new from Topeka in regards to the budget.
- **Communications** – thank you card for the memorial donation for Josh Woodward's father and thank you from the residents of New Plaza II for the Thanksgiving dinner

**7.2 Director of Curriculum & Instruction Report** – No report

**7.3 Keystone Learning Services Update** – Minutes of the November 19, 2014 meeting were enclosed with board materials.

**7.4 USD 343 Endowment Association Update** – Traci Eddy was absent and there was no report.

**8.0 Adjournment** – Matt Erickson moved to adjourn the meeting. Tiffany Ball seconded the motion.  
Motion carried 6-0. Time: 7:49 pm.

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Travis Daniels, President

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Debbie Collins, Clerk