

UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 343
BOARD OF EDUCATION MINUTES
September 14, 2015

Minutes of the regular meeting held on September 14, 2015 at 6:30 p.m. in the Administration Office.

Members Present: Travis Daniels, Matt Erickson, Gene Barrett, Traci Eddy, Wendy George, Jenny Morgison

Members Absent: Tiffany Ball

Also Present: Denis Yoder, Superintendent; J.B. Elliott, Director of Curriculum & Instruction; Theresa Beatty; Mike Copple; Josh Woodward; Mike Maloun; Connie Thornton; Justin Smith; Lisa Surface; Shelbie Glissman; Mike Paramore; Jared Swafford; Connor Nichols; Kristin Spencer; Payden Barrett; Peyton Kahle; Jesse Odom; Zac Woodward; Trisha Decker; Maggie Schmidt; Jameson Brehm; Joelle Schiffelbein; Sam Mallonee; Sidney Davis; Clorissa Brown; Charley Carver; Sammie Miller-Copeland; Samantha Gannon; Edward Gannon; Addy Pruet; Landon Jamison; Brett Koehler; Isaiah Dark; Anna Guess; Ciana Bateman; Noah Scrimsher; Dylan Kurtz; Dylan Potter; Steven Kirk; Braden Johanning; Nathan Bays; Mitchell Bond; Brett Carver; Maggie Carver; Morgan Eggenberger; and Debbie Walburn, 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 with the additions to item 3.5 Personnel Considerations. Matt Erickson seconded the motion. The motion carried 6-0.

3.0 Consent Agenda – Matt Erickson moved to approve the Consent Agenda with:

Personnel Considerations: The resignation from Austin Jantz as van driver effective 8/27/2015; the resignation from Greta Ball as district office custodian effective 9/8/2015; the employment of the following for Kaw Camp: Rebecca Killen, Site Director; Susie Hackathorn, Family Liaison; Rachel Hamm, Teacher; Susie Whitaker, Teacher; Sue Nanninga, Teacher; Erin Broadbent, Teacher; and Gloria Dye, Outside Evaluator; the employment of Gary Hetherington as special education van driver for 1.5 hours per day; the employment of Gena Stevens as special education van driver and district mail driver for 2.5 hours per day; the employment of Catherine Erwin as food service employee for 3.25 hours per day

Attendance Requests:

From Joshua & Autumn Wood, Oskaloosa, for their daughter, Aftyn Hankins, to attend PLHS as a 9th grader; for their daughter, Trinity Hankins, to attend PLMS as a 6th grader; for their son, Duncun Lancon, to attend LES as a 4th grader; for their daughter, Rilliey Smith, to attend LES as a 2nd grader; and for their son, Ayden Musick, to attend PES as a 1st grader

From Melinda Ritter, Topeka, for her daughter, Kayla Washee, to attend PLHS as a 12th grader

From Jaclyn & Josh Hackathorn, Lawrence, for their son, Dalton Hackathorn, to attend LES as a 4th grader; for their son, Wyatt Hackathorn, to attend PLMS as a 6th grader; and for their son, Hunter Hackathorn, to attend PLHS as a 10th grader

Traci Eddy seconded the motion. Motion carried 6-0.

4.0 Recognitions - None

5.0 Board Business

5.1 Back to School Reports – Building principals gave brief overviews of their reports to the board for the beginning of the 2015-2016 school year.

5.2 Drug Testing Policy – Head coaches for several high school sports were present to share their views regarding implementing a drug testing policy. A suggested policy will be brought back to the board at the October meeting, along with different costs associated with testing.

5.3 2015-16 Site Council Representatives – Jenny Morgison moved to approve the 2015-16 building site council memberships as presented. Wendy George seconded the motion. Motion carried 6-0.

5.4 Accreditation Update – JB Elliot, Director of Curriculum & Instruction, gave the Board an overview of the State’s new accreditation system, Kansas Education Systems Accreditation (KESA).

5.5 Keystone Interlocal Agreements – Jenny Morgison moved to approve the Keystone Learning Services special education interlocal agreement. Gene Barrett seconded the motion. Motion carried 6-0. Jenny Morgison moved to approve the Keystone Learning Services service center interlocal agreement. Gene Barrett seconded the motion. Motion carried 6-0.

5.6 School Lunch Visitation Schedule – Jenny Morgison moved to approve the school lunch visitation schedule with locations to be determined. Matt Erickson seconded the motion. Motion carried 6-0.

6.0 Executive Session – No executive session was required.

7.0 Reports and Communications

7.1 Superintendent’s Report

- Superintendent Yoder reported on a recent meeting he had with Denise Breason and an area builder regarding the land south of the high school.
- Explanation was given regarding the large water bill for the multi-purpose building over the summer.
- **Communications**
- Site Council minutes for PLHS were enclosed in the board packet

7.2 Director of Curriculum & Instruction Report – Director Elliott explained the new way state assessments are being conducted (similar to the MAP testing) and what the “cut” scores are. He reported on the accreditation work being done and that the first early childhood and Title I meetings had been held for this year.

7.3 Keystone Learning Services Update – Minutes of the August 19, 2015 meeting were enclosed with board materials.

7.4 USD 343 Endowment Association Update – Traci Eddy stated that the group had met with a discussion of their portfolio and the possibility of moving the brick patio for more visibility.

8.0 Adjournment – Matt Erickson moved to adjourn the meeting. Gene Barrett seconded the motion. Motion carried 6-0. Time: 8:10 pm.

Travis Daniels, President

Debbie Walburn, Clerk