

UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 343
BOARD OF EDUCATION MINUTES
January 11, 2016

Minutes of the regular meeting held on January 11, 2016 at 5:30 p.m. in the Administration Office.

Members Present: Travis Daniels, Matt Erickson, Tiffany Ball, Gene Barrett, Traci Eddy

Members Absent: Wendy George, Jenny Morgison

Also Present: Denis Yoder, Superintendent; J.B. Elliott, Director of Curriculum & Instruction; Rachel Hamm; Jacob O'Trimble; Jim O'Trimble; Rebecca Killen; Shelbie Glissman; Susie Whitaker; Vitaly Polovin; Josh Schmidt; Noah Scrimsher; Dylan Kurtz; Joseph Immenschuh; Carlie Saric; Sam Karten; Sara Boyden; James Messer; Tricia Schmidt; Wayne Ledbetter; Connie Thornton; Mike Cople; Theresa Beatty; Josh Woodward; Debbie Walburn, Clerk

- 1.0 Call to Order** – President Travis Daniels called the regular meeting to order at 5:35 p.m.
- 2.0 Ordering and Approval of the Agenda** – Matt Erickson moved to accept the agenda with the addition to item 4.5 Personnel Considerations. Traci Eddy seconded the motion. The motion carried 5-0.
- 3.0 Executive Session** – Matt Erickson moved that the board recess to executive session for the purpose of discussing items affecting non-elected personnel. Included in the executive session will be Superintendent Denis Yoder. This executive session should begin at 5:35 p.m. in this room with the board reconvening at this place at 6:30 p.m. Gene Barrett seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

Matt Erickson moved to extend executive session 5 minutes, to begin at 6:30 p.m. and reconvene at 6:35 p.m. Gene Barrett seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

Matt Erickson moved to extend executive session 5 minutes, to begin at 6:35 p.m. and reconvene at 6:40 p.m. Gene Barrett seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

Let the record show that the board returned to regular session at 6:40 p.m.

- 4.0 Consent Agenda** – Matt Erickson moved to approve the Consent Agenda with:

Personnel Considerations: The termination of Gary Hetherington as a van driver, effective 1/7/2016.

Attendance Requests: From Megan Cottrell, Oskaloosa, for her daughter, Cecilia Cottrell to attend PLMS as a 6th grader and for her son, Finnegan Cottrell, to attend LES as 3rd grader

Gifts to the District - \$300 donation from the Perry City Council to the PLHS FCCLA for the SAFE program.

Gene Barrett seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

5.0 Recognitions – Patron Tricia Schmidt spoke with the board regarding the locking of doors at PLHS and also the new drug policy. President Daniels and PLHS Principal Mike Cople addressed her concerns.

6.0 Board Business

6.1 Kaw Camp Update – Students and staff from Kaw Camp were in attendance to share their thoughts on the program with the board. Kaw Camp Administrator JB Elliott updated the board on this year's program.

6.2 School Board Recognition Month – Superintendent Denis Yoder recognized board members for their years of service to the district with the presentation of certificates.

6.3 Mid-Year School Updates – Building administrators gave brief updates to the board on their buildings and activities within their buildings.

6.4 Superintendent's Contract – Traci Eddy moved to extend the contract for Denis Yoder as superintendent of schools to June 30, 2018. Gene Barrett seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

7.0 Executive Session – Matt Erickson moved that the board recess to executive session for the purpose of discussing items affecting students 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 JB Elliott, PLHS principal Mike Cople and PLHS assistant principal Theresa Beatty. This executive session should begin at 7:30 p.m. in this room with the board reconvening at this place at 7:45 p.m. Tiffany Ball seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

Matt Erickson moved to extend executive session 5 minutes, to begin at 7:45 p.m. and reconvene at 7:50 p.m. Tiffany Ball seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

Matt Erickson moved to extend executive session 5 minutes, to begin at 7:45 p.m. and reconvene at 7:55 p.m. Tiffany Ball seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

Matt Erickson moved to extend executive session 5 minutes, to begin at 7:55 p.m. and reconvene at 8:00 p.m. Tiffany Ball seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0. Let the record show that the board returned to regular session at 8:00 p.m.

8.0 Reports and Communications

7.1 Superintendent's Report

- **Communications** – Thank you from the PLES staff and Beth Hupe for the holiday bonus
- Superintendent Yoder reported on the water leak at LES that was discovered on 1/11/16
- Reported that there are two meetings scheduled with different groups regarding procedures and costs associated with a facilities study
- Work is still ongoing regarding the gas service and water line issues with HCC
- The area superintendents met with Representative Ramon Gonzales last week to discuss the upcoming session.

7.2 Director of Curriculum & Instruction Report – Director Elliot reported that he has been working with district building administrators and counselors on student intervention processes.

During the upcoming teacher in service day on January 18th, the staff will have the opportunity for technology learning through different breakout sessions in the morning. The afternoon will be spent working with what they have learned and integrating it into their lessons and classrooms.

Director Elliot reported that there was carryover money for Kaw Camp from last year. He was given approval by the state to use the money this year. With the carryover, 20 iPads and an iPad cart will be purchased.

7.3 Keystone Learning Services Update – Minutes of the December 15, 2015 meeting were enclosed with board materials.

7.4 USD 343 Endowment Association Update – Traci reported that the Association had not met yet. Dr. Yoder reported that preliminary plans for the new brick plaza will be shared at the Endowment meeting in February.

8.0 Adjournment – Matt Erickson moved to adjourn the meeting. Gene Barrett seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0. Time: 8:13 pm.

Travis Daniels, President

Debbie Walburn, Clerk