

Board of Directors



Minutes

Supers Scheduled to Attend Board Meeting

Jon Pfau, Regular

Chuck Coblenz, Alternate

DATE: August 19th, 2015

Location: Keystone Learning Services, 500 E. Sunflower Blvd., Ozawkie, KS

Time: 7:00 p.m. Call Meeting to Order

At 7:02 p.m., Board President Ron Langston called the meeting to order. Members present: Gene Barrett, Barb Chapman, Kim Troupe and Megan Milner. Members absent: Rita Oatney and Sharon Sweeney. Arriving at 7:24 p.m., Scott Gibson.

Others present: Andy Ewing, Executive Director; Mary Livingston and Lindsey Graf, Assistant Special Education Directors; Linda Kilgore, Clerk of the Board; USD 341 Superintendent Jon Pfau; USD 377 Superintendent Steve Wiseman; and Linda Sloan.

Monthly Action Items

1. Approval of Agenda

ACTION

Gene Barrett made a motion to approve the agenda as presented. Kim Troupe seconded and motion carried 5-0.

Monthly Consent Agenda Items

Any Board member may request that any item be removed from this consent agenda to the regular agenda for action to be taken separately.

1. Approval of Minutes of Last Meeting
2. Approval of Bills & Claims
3. Approval of Cash Summary Report
4. Approval of Monthly Fund Transfers
5. Approval of Check Registers

ACTION

Barb Chapman made a motion to approve the Monthly Consent Agenda Items as presented. Gene Barrett seconded and motion carried 5-0.

Monthly Communications

1. Receive Communications from Visitors Present

None

2. Receive General Communications

None

Discussion Items

- 1. Para Wages** – Andy explained that he would like to increase the base pay for para educators .35 cents per hour. He would like to see a continued increase over the next 3 years so the starting base pay for paras is \$10.00/hour, up from the current \$9.00/hour base.
- 2. Recruiting Update**—Andy explained the challenges recently encountered with recruiting speech pathologists. Lindsey shared that she has been in touch with interested ESU candidates who are excited about the potential upcoming opportunities. Lindsey also explained that the teaching positions are all filled for this year and that both Mary and Lindsey are working daily to fill the remaining open para positions.
- 3. Interlocal Agreement** – Andy spoke to the board of the ongoing efforts with the Interlocal Agreement and is hopeful it will be approved soon, possibly next week.
- 4. Confidentiality Agreement** – The Data Sharing Agreement is up for board approval and Andy explained that this is an agreement developed by KASB to protect the confidentiality of student documents in the WebKIDSS database hosted by Keystone. This is in response to legislative action related to student records.
- 5. Special Education Funding**—Andy shared the FY Keystone budget with the board. He also reviewed current statutes related to special education funding.

Action Items

- 1. Approval of the Negotiated Agreement** – Negotiations teams have reached agreement and teachers have ratified the proposed agreement.

ACTION

Scott Gibson made a motion to approve the 2015-2016 negotiated agreement as presented. Gene Barrett seconded and motion carried 6-0.

2. Approval of JDLA Program Contract – The proposed contract for 2015-2016 with the Guidance Center and JDLA was recommended for approval. The contract with The Guidance Center is a partnership with JDLA that has been ongoing for many years and has been a very positive effort.

ACTION

Scott Gibson made a motion to approve the 2015-2016 JDLA contact with the Guidance Center as presented. Barb Chapman seconded and motion carried 6-0.

3. Approval of Updates to the GSTAD and Tiny k Handbooks

ACTION

Scott Gibson made a motion to approve the updates to the GSTAD and Tiny k handbooks, as presented. Kim Troupe seconded and motion carried 6-0.

4. Approval of Interlocal Budget—Budgets 01 (Special Ed) and 10 (Service Center).

ACTION

Scott Gibson made a motion to approve the Budgets 01 (Special Ed) and 10 (Service Center), as presented. Gene Barrett seconded and motion carried 6-0.

5. Approval of Policy Updates

ACTION

Gene Barrett made a motion to approve the updated policies (EDAA, GAAB, GAAC, GAACA, GAAF, GAOE, JCE, JGEC, JGECA, KCD, KN) as presented. Scott Gibson seconded and motion carried 6-0.

6. Approval of Data Sharing Agreement

ACTION

Scott Gibson made a motion to approve the Data Sharing Agreement as presented. Kim Troupe seconded and motion carried 6-0.

7. Approval of Pay Increase for Para Educators

ACTION

Gene Barrett made a motion to approve the increase in pay \$.35/cents per hour for the starting base pay for para educators as presented. Barb Chapman seconded and motion carried 6-0.

Executive Session

At 7:34 p.m., Scott Gibson made a motion to go into Executive Session in the meeting room for 10 minutes, to discuss personnel matters of non-elected personnel, reconvening in this room at 7:44 p.m. The Executive Session included Andy Ewing, Mary Livingston, Lindsey Graf, Jon Pfau and Steve Wiseman. Kim Troupe seconded and motion carried 6-0.

At 7:44 p.m. open session resumed.

ACTION ITEMS

- 1. Personnel Update-- Contracts and Resignations**
Approval of the August 2015 Personnel Report

ACTION

Scott Gibson made a motion to approve the August personnel update as presented. Gene Barrett seconded and motion carried 6-0.

Miscellaneous Items from Board Members

Scott Gibson shared that the sewer rates will be going up for the service center, due to recent upgrades to the system.

Adjournment

At 7:46 p.m., the meeting was adjourned.

Ron Langston
President

Linda Kilgore
Clerk of the Board