

Board of Directors



Minutes

Superintendent Scheduled to Attend Board Meeting:

Andrew Gaddis, Regular

Brad Neuenswander, Alternate

Date: November 20th, 2024

Location: Keystone Office, 500 E. Sunflower Blvd., Ozawkie, KS 66070

Time: 6:30 p.m. - Call Meeting to Order

At 6:30 p.m. Board President Justin Finley called the meeting to order. Members present: Dakota Davis, Kelly Midgley, Bill Culver, Terry Reiling, Donnie Smith (VF), Justin Finley, Jerry Barnes, Kelli Bottorff, Doug Anderson, Belinda O'Dell, Amy Conklin, Mollee Wilkerson, Connie Euler, Andrew Gaddis left @ 8:22.

Monthly Action Items

ACTION

1. Approval of Meeting Agenda & Consent Agenda Items

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 Meeting Agenda
2. Approval of Minutes of Last Month's Meeting and Special Board Meeting
3. Approval of Bill & Claims
4. Approval of Cash Summary Report
5. Approval of Monthly Fund Transfers
6. Approval of Check Registers
7. Mitigation Plan
8. Air Technical Assistance Consulting Agreement


Board President

ACTION

Justin moved to adjust the sequence of the first item Keystone priorities to start with item C. Jerry Barnes made the motion to approve the Meeting Agenda & Monthly Consent Agenda Items as presented. Kelly Midgley seconded and motion passed 7-0.

Monthly Communications

1. Receive Communications from Visitors Present: Any patron wishing to speak before the Board is reminded that presentations shall not exceed 3-minutes and shall be limited to items on the Board Agenda or items within the jurisdiction of the Board. Comments or questions pertaining to specific personnel matters or those that would compromise the confidentiality of a student are prohibited.

Discussion Items

1. **Keystone Priorities**—Keystone Director/Assistant Director will provide information on the following:
 - a) Budget summary - Doug shared the balances in TASN funds 64 (MTSS) and 68 (ATBS) and explained that approximately 4 million dollars is allocated for TASN grant activities and must be readily available at all times. This money was not generated by district assessments and is unavailable for the building expenses. He reminded them that there are 2 interlocal agreements associated with Keystone, the Service Center, fund 10, and the special education services fund 01.
 - b) Discuss Building update and lending agencies - Doug shared that Denison State Bank declined the loan. Exchange Bank, Intrust, Baystone Government Finance, and GN Bank all submitted proposals with GNB able to offer the best interest rate of 5.28% for a 10 year loan, with a 5 year ARM. Doug said the down payment could be split into 2 payments with the first building loan payment due within 12 months following the completion of the building.
 - c) Interlocal Agreement committee - Dakota Davis, Kelli Bottorff and Terry Reiling agreed to be on the committee with the superintendent from Jefferson West, Perry Lecompton and Valley Falls. The purpose of this committee is to discuss an amendment to the interlocal agreement to address the distribution of money if the proposed building were sold in the future. It was recommended that the proceeds would be distributed based on the percent of the district's original contribution. The details will be worked out by the committee.

2. **Personnel** – Assistant Directors and HR Director will provide information on the following:
 - a) Vacancy Report/New Hires - Mollee shared that there have been 40 new hires this year of which 25 are paras. The vacancies are lower than in recent years. She also shared workers comp data so that we can work with our districts to prevent accidents. The increase in the number of accidents is attributed to better reporting and prompt responses to injuries.
 - b) Transdisciplinary Play Based Assessment training for early childhood - Training to be offered to our early childhood evaluation team on 1/20/25. It has been several years since we have had training on site.

Executive Session

It is recommended the Board go into executive session for 20 minutes with a 5 minute break beforehand at 8:26 p.m. to discuss personnel issues pursuant to non-elected personnel exception under KOMA, with the open meeting resuming in the boardroom at 8:46 p.m. and inviting Keystone administrators to join this executive session per Board discretion.

Action Items

1. **Personnel Update--Contracts and Resignations**
Approval of the November 2024 Personnel Report

Action - Kelly Midgley moved to approve the personnel update as presented. Terry Reiling seconded and the motion passed 7-0.

2. **Building**

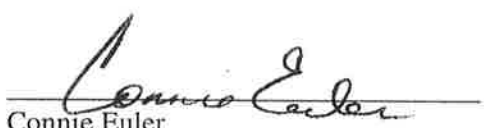
Action - Jerry Barnes moved to approve the building bidding process as proposed not to exceed 4 million. Kelly Bottorff seconded the motion and it passed 7-0

Miscellaneous Items from Board Members

1. **Director's Comments** – JDLA Thanksgiving meal tomorrow at noon. Everyone is invited. Appreciate the unanimous vote. Excited about the process and appreciate the support of the districts.
2. **Board Members** – Jerry thanked everyone for all the hard work they do. Justin shared their bond issue was 4 votes short of passing.

Adjournment 8:52 p.m.


Justin Finley
Board President


Connie Euler
Clerk of the Board

Date

12/18/24