

BALDWIN CITY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT 348
P.O. Box 67
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BESPC Community Room
BOARD OF EDUCATION
MINUTES OF REGULAR BOARD MEETING

BESPC
700 Lawrence Street
Baldwin City, KS 66006

MONDAY
November 17, 2014
6:30 PM

The Board of Education met in regular session on Monday, September 16, 2013 at 6:30 p.m.

- A. President Nick Harris called the Board of Education meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. In attendance were Board Members Nick Harris, Nikki Tiller, Chad Christie, Sandy Chapman, Ivan Huntoon, Gregory Kruger and Sheree Gill. Also attending were Superintendent Paul Dorathy and Clerk of the Board, Laura Hartman.

Call to Order by Board
President

- B. Sandy Chapman moved and Ivan Huntoon seconded to approve the amended agenda. Added to New Business, BHS Turtle Trip, to Executive Session, Attorney Client, to Consent Agenda, disposals. Motion carried with a vote of 7 yes and 0 no.

Approval of Agenda

- C. Nick Harris moved and Sheree Gill seconded to go into executive session for consultation with our attorney on a matter protected by the attorney-client privilege in order to protect the privilege and the board's position in administrative proceedings, and that we return to open session in this room in 15 minutes. Mr. Dorathy and Brad Finkeldei were invited into executive session. Motion carried with a vote of 7 yes and 0 no.
Time: 6:32 p.m.

Executive Session

Chad Christie moved and Nikki Tiller seconded to extend executive session for 11 minutes. Mr. Dorathy and Brad Finkeldei remained in session. Motion carried with a vote of 7 yes and 0 no. Time: 6:49 p.m.

- D. Greg Kruger moved and Sheree Gill seconded to approve the Consent Agenda and the October 20, 2014 regular meeting minutes, the regular bills, disposals and payrolls. Motion carried with a vote of 7 yes and 0 no.

Approval of Consent
Agenda

- E. The board recognized the BHS volleyball, cross county and tennis athletes for their accomplishments qualifying for State competition.

Recognition

- F. There were no public comments made at this time.

Public Comment

- G. Sheree Gill moved and Chad Christie seconded to approve the bus bid from Masters Transportation in the amount of \$52,876.00. Motion carried with a vote of 7 yes and 0 no.

Financial Matters

Cynde Frick talked with the board members about a 457 Plan. There is no cost to us except the time the payroll clerk spends on processing. This is a state sponsor 457 plan that is open to all employees, not just KPERS eligible employees. This is information only and Cynde will bring this back to the board at a later date for action.

Cynde moved on to discussion about financial savings from budget allocations. Cynde showed a graph on estimated vs actual savings. \$77,000 more savings than estimated. We are not sure what the cut number will be here in the middle of the year, so it is difficult to make estimates at changes to make those adjustments accordingly. We have an idea of a plan should the cuts occur. It has gotten really scarce on what we can cut and what we cannot cut.

Cynde talked about the transportation fees paid last year and the issue with reimbursement and that being done accurately. Having the records on who actually made the payment is the issue. Ivan Huntoon asked if there was a way to give those funds back to the students fund, to benefit the student. Cynde said it was a possibility for students that are still here. Cynde will call KASB to see if she can get a recommendation.

- H. Rob McKim presented comparisons of different ACT prep class scenarios to board members as requested. More training for teachers, counselors was recommended to increase rigor. Second would be ACT aspiring testing. Both recommendations are not cheap. In the short range plan, Rob has looked into some ACT prep plans that could be purchased fairly quickly. Zero hour is already set up, teachers are available, zero hour is not mandatory at this time.

Administrative Reports

Joe Sample shared the BJHS rewards program. Joe had a powerpoint presentation that shows the levels and expectations of students in junior high school.

- I. Gary Stevanus brought information back to the board on activity trips. Gary had sent an email with information to board members. A copy of the information is attached. Concern from board members was missing class time because of activities.

Old Business

Gary Stevanus gave an update from the facility committee. Gary handed out a facility committee recommendation. (attached)

Board took a 4 minute break. 9:00 p.m.

- J. The board was given the 2015-16 calendar for review. Mr. Dorathy reviewed some of the input from staff concerning the calendars. The board will review this calendar and come back to the December meeting to take possible action. Mr. Dorathy said once the board approves the 2015-16 calendar, he would like to put together a 2016-17 calendar as well.

New Business

Mr. Dorathy presented a facility plan for the district for review and input. The board agrees the facility committee recommendation needs to be integrated and

possibly have a special meeting to discuss.

Mr. Dorathy asked board members about approval for the turtle trip request from BHS teacher, Scott Crenshaw.

Ivan Huntoon moved and Sheree Gill seconded the BHS turtle trip. Motion carried with a vote of 7 yes and 0 no.

- K. Nikki Tiller and Greg Kruger shared with the board the information they gathered at the last Co-op meeting. Negotiations have been approved and a contract is in place.

Board Member Input

Nick asked about the Rheulen property and where we were at with the sale. There is a waiting list from 3 different people. Mr. Dorathy said there are some things that have to be researched before any of the interested patrons can actually make a move.

Nick asked if the primary center issue with heating consistencies has been resolved. Mr. Dorathy asked Chuck James if he would address this question. Chuck said he really can't put his finger on this latest issue. He is addressing the issue to try to figure out where the issue is coming from.

- L. Mr. Dorathy gave an update on the process of curriculum review for this year. Mr. Dorathy said we are working on K-12 Health curriculum and 6-12 Science curriculum. K-12 curriculum has not changed over the years, however Science has changed. Science will take more time to put their curriculum together. Mr. Dorathy is hopeful to have something for the board in January.

Superintendent's Report

Elementary teachers expressed concerns at where they are at with depth at the elementary level. Mr. Dorathy is going to meet with Dan Wallsmith and Deb Ehling-Gwin to see how to address those concerns.

Information was shared regarding BJHS technology sequence. Rob, Joe and Mr. Dorathy met with some of the technology teachers to discuss how technology is taught and what is being learned. Discussion about possibly adding computer apps at junior high, but the challenge at the junior high level is trying to get that to fit into the current schedule. Mr. Dorathy and Joe Sample will bring a recommendation later in the year.

- M. Nick Harris moved and Chad Christie seconded to go into executive session to discuss personnel matters of non-elected personnel in order to protect the privacy interest of the individuals to be discussed, and that we return to open session in this room in 15 minutes. Mr. Dorathy was invited into executive session. Motion carried with a vote of 7 yes and 0 no.
Time: 9:35 p.m.

Executive Session

- Nick Harris moved and Chad Christie seconded to extend executive session 5 minutes. Mr. Dorathy remained in session. Motion carried with a vote of 7 yes and 0 no. Time: 9:50 p.m.

Chad Christie moved and Sandy Chapman seconded to go into executive session

for negotiation matters, and that we return to open session in this room in 5 minutes. Mr. Dorathy was invited into executive session. Motion carried with a vote of 7 yes and 0 no. Time: 9:55 p.m.

- N. Sandy Chapman moved and Sheree Gill seconded to approve the personnel report. Motion carried with a vote of 7 yes and 0 no.

**Consider Executive
Session Matters**

Nick Harris moved and Sandy Chapman seconded to set a Special Board meeting for November 21, 2014 at 6:30 p.m. at the District Office. Motion carried with a vote of 7 yes and 0 no.

Sandy Chapman moved and Ivan Huntoon seconded to affix proper board signature to contracts and work agreements. Motion carried with a vote of 7 yes and 0 no.

Nick Harris moved and Sandy Chapman seconded to ratify the additional wording of teacher due process. Motion carried with a vote of 7 yes and 0 no.

- O. No additional discussion at this time.

Discussion Items

- P. Sandy Chapman moved and Sheree Gill seconded to adjourn the regular board meeting. Motion carried with a vote of 7 yes and 0 no. Time 10:08 p.m.

Adjournment

Approved:



Nick Harris, President
Board Of Education

Attest:



Laura E. Hartman
Clerk of the Board