

BALDWIN CITY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT 348
P.O. Box 67
Baldwin City, KS 66006
BOARD OF EDUCATION
MINUTES OF A REGULAR BOARD MEETING

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500 Lawrence St.
Baldwin City, KS 66006

MONDAY
November 16, 2015
6:30 PM

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- A. President Nick Harris called the Board of Education meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. In attendance were Board Members, Nick Harris, Chad Christie, Sandy Chapman, Ivan Huntoon, Nikki Tiller, Gregory Kruger and Kelley Bethell-Smith. Also attending were Superintendent Paul Dorathy and Clerk of the Board, Cory Countryman. **Call to Order by
Board President**
- B. Greg Kruger moved and Ivan Huntoon seconded to approve the amended agenda. Rhulen house sale considerations was added to Item I., Old Business. Motion carried with a vote of 7 yes and 0 no. **Approval of Agenda**
- C. Nick Harris moved and Chad Christie 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 Terelle Mock were invited into executive session. Motion carried with a vote of 7 yes and 0 no. Time: 6:31p.m. **Executive Session**
- Nick Harris moved and Ivan Huntoon 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: 6:47 p.m.
- D. Kelley Bethell-Smith moved and Ivan Huntoon seconded to approve the October 19, 2015 board meeting minutes, the regular monthly bills, property disposal and payrolls. Motion carried with a vote of 7 yes and 0 no. **Approval of Consent
Agenda**
- E. The board recognized the BHS Cross Country athletes for their State win. The board recognized Martha Powell for achieving Certified Child Nutrition Manager 1. Mr. Dorathy presented a KASB certificate to Nikki Tiller for acquiring at least 25 Leadership Academy points. **Recognition**

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

Public Comment

G. Cynde Frick presented the bid results for the High School weight room HVAC system. There is a cracked heat exchanger on the unit. Bids were received from three companies. P1 Group, Inc. bid \$21,950 with a Lennox RTU alternate unit bid of \$20,875. MMC Contractors bid \$21,507.00 and CATES Commercial Services bid \$20,242.00.

Financial Report

Greg Kruger moved and Ivan Huntoon seconded to approve the bid from CATES Commercial Services in the amount of \$20,242.00. Motion carried with a vote of 7 yes and 0 no.

Cynde Frick presented the KERMIP Agreement with revisions. The Bylaws have been separated from the Interlocal Agreement according to Attorney General recommendation. The pool is also forming a three member board to oversee the pool's operations committees.

Nick Harris moved and Sandy Chapman seconded to approve the KERMIP resolution to adopt the Restated Bylaws and enter into the Cooperative Agreement to amend and restate the original Agreement and Bylaws in its entirety and authorizing Cynde Frick as the representative for the District. Motion carried with a vote of 7 yes and 0 no.

H. Mr. Dorathy talked about Kansans Can and explained the program was developed from a listening tour across the state of Kansas to see what Kansans want for the future of our schools. Two videos were shown. Mr. Dorathy discussed with the board the public's reaction for soft skills in schools and not just focusing on assessments.

Administrative Reports

I. Sandy Chapman moved and Greg Kruger seconded to approve to affix proper board signature to the KASB Policy Review Agreement. Motion carried with a vote of 7 yes and 0 no.

Old Business

The board discussed the results of the strategic plan survey. 407 surveys were completed and the results of the survey will be posted on the website. The board and Mr. Dorathy discussed how to use the survey information to focus on areas of interest. Board members discussed choosing 4 or 5 items to concentrate on and use for talking points at the December board meeting.

Mr. Dorathy discussed with the board Rhulen house sale considerations. Previously, it had been discussed that if the house sold, the purchaser would pay to move and fill in the basement. Mr. Dorathy talked to the board about feedback he has received from a potential buyer and the expense to move the home. The buyer does not want to pay to fill in the basement. Chuck James provided a quote for basement demolition and the immediate need for a permit once the house is moved. Mr. Dorathy explained he thought it could take up to 6 months to get the house moved

once it's sold. The potential buyer is ready to offer \$100 for the house by signing a contract that holds the buyer responsible for \$6000 in liquidated damages.

Cynde Frick stated insurance is \$1000 for the property. Chuck James said the district pays minimal expenses in electricity for the sump pump in the basement.

Chad Christie moved and Ivan Huntoon seconded to approve the \$100 offer from the potential buyer with USD 348 taking care of the demolition of the basement. Motion carried with a vote of 7 yes and 0 no.

- J. Steve Friend with the Baldwin City Recreation Commission and Ben Harris discussed with the board plans for a community center in Baldwin City. A handout with their proposal was provided.

New Business

Mr. Harris talked about a community center improving the quality of life for Baldwin City. He stated the demographics of Baldwin City are changing and a community center can serve all constituents.

Mr. Harris and Mr. Friend discussed with the board the need for cooperation from the City, School District and Recreation Commission for a community center to be feasible. It is also hoped that Baker University will play a significant role in establishing the community center. The recreation commission would like for the district to provide land.

Mr. Dorathy stated he knows the need and want for a community center is not a new subject. His concern is the funding piece. Mr. Friend discussed a fall 2016 election and potential ½ cent sales tax. He stated the community center would be in the 30,000 – 35,000 sq. foot range.

Nick Harris asked how would the entities tie together. Mr. Friend said the recreation commission would take the lead on scheduling. They would like to have a group/committee from each entity and would like to have 1 or 2 people from the district be a part of the planning group.

Nick Harris called a 3 minute break at 8:12 p.m.

Mr. Dorathy discussed with the board Policy JBCB for out of district students. Mr. Dorathy stated out of district students are required to enroll online. The district has found false addresses have been used in the past. The board and Mr. Dorathy talked about changes to the policy and pros and cons for having a specific date for accepting out of district students.

Chad Christie moved and Sandy Chapman seconded to ammend policy JBCB as presented but striking the last sentence of section E so that there is not a specific date for accepting out of district students. Motion carried with a vote of 7 yes and 0 no.

- K. Nikki Tiller and Greg Kruger shared with the board the information they

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gathered at the last Co-op meeting.

Nikki said there is not much to talk about right now. There was discussion about the Co-op being in need of paras. The turnover rate for para jobs is always high.

- L. Mr. Dorathy shared with the board the scoring system for the new math and reading assessments. The scoring system places scores in four categories with one being the lowest score and four being the highest score but the scores aren't easily defined. A score of two is not a failing score. The student is doing grade level work but is not at the Kansas college and career ready level. A score of four is excellent. It's exemplary under the old standards. **Superintendent's Report**

Mr. Dorathy explained there has been a delay in receiving 5th and 8th grade scores as the State's computer system showed these student's as exiting the school district instead of changing buildings. He hopes the 5th and 8th grade scores will be in next month.

- M. Nikki Tiller moved and Ivan Huntoon seconded to go into executive session to discuss matters affecting a student in order to protect interests of the individual to be discussed, 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: 8:45 pm **Executive Session**

Nick Harris moved and Ivan Huntoon 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 10 minutes. Motion carried with a vote of 7 yes and 0 no. Time: 8:51 p.m.

Nick Harris moved and Sandy Chapman 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 10 minutes. Mr. Dorathy was invited into executive session. Motion carried with a vote of 7 yes and 0 no. Time 9:01 pm.

Nick Harris moved and Ivan Huntoon 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 in this room in 5 minutes. Time: 9:12 p.m.

Greg Kruger moved 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 5 minutes. Time: 9:18 p.m.

- N. Sandy Chapman moved and Chad Christie seconded to approve the personnel report. Motion carried with a vote of 6 yes and 1 no. **Consider Executive Session Matters**

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

Greg Kruger moved and Nick Harris seconded to extend Mr. Dorathy's contract one year. Motion carried with a vote of 5 yes and 2 no.

- O. Ivan Huntoon moved and Chad Christie seconded to adjourn the regular board meeting. Motion carried with a vote of 7 yes and 0 no. Time: 9:25 p.m.

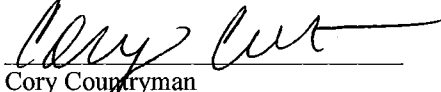
Adjournment

Approved:



Nick Harris, President
Board Of Education

Attest:



Cory Countryman
Clerk of the Board