## **BALDWIN CITY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT 348**

## P.O. Box 67

## Baldwin City, KS 66006 BOARD OF EDUCATION MINUTES OF A REGULAR BOARD MEETING

USD 348 Performing Arts Center 400 Eisenhower St. Baldwin City, KS 66006 MONDAY September 19, 2016 6:30 PM

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, Greg Kruger, Nikki Tiller and Kelley Bethell-Smith. Ivan Huntoon was absent. Also attending were Superintendent Paul Dorathy and Clerk of the Board Cory Countryman.

Call to Order by Board President

B. Greg Kruger moved and Sandy Chapman seconded to approve the agenda. Motion carried with a vote of 6 yes and 0 no.

Approval of Agenda

C. 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 15 minutes. Paul Dorathy was invited into executive session. Motion carried with a vote of 6 yes and 0 no. Time: 6:30 p.m.

**Executive Session** 

Nick Harris moved and Chad Christie seconded to extend executive session 10 minutes. Mr. Dorathy remained in executive session. Motion carried with a vote of 6 yes and 0 no. Time: 6:46 p.m.

The board took a 4-minute recess. Time: 6:56 p.m.

D. Sandy Chapman moved and Kelley Bethell-Smith seconded to approve the August 15, 2016 and August 24, 2016 board meeting minutes, the regular monthly bills, property disposal and payrolls. Motion carried with a vote of 6 yes and 0 no.

Approval of Consent Agenda

E. Several members of the community were present to provide comments for the community center. They are as follows:

**Public Comment** 

Danny Johnson, David Wilson, Frank Foye, Forest Moleman, Paula Moore, Dan Beaulieu, Alice Stewart, Charles Jehle, James Nicholson,

Kirstin Olson, Steve Friend, Ted Brecheisen, Paula Andrews, Edith Bond, Erik Bailey, Taylor White, Ginny Honomichl, Gary Tiller and Jason Flory.

F. Greg Kruger declared a conflict of interest and asked to be excused from the meeting. Time: 7:40 p.m.

**Community Center** 

Nick Harris explained the different ways the board could vote regarding the community center and that four votes are needed to pass a motion. He explained the board is uncomfortable making a decision for the public.

The board took turns discussing their thoughts and concerns for the community center vote.

Chad Christie moved and Nick Harris seconded to approve the non-binding resolution for a 2.75 mill tax increase for the community center, subject to the statutory right of protest, if the sales tax is approved by the voters of Baldwin City as presented. Vote of 2 yes and 3 no. Motion failed.

Board members discussed the different ways additional funding could be raised for the community center (i.e. grants, private funding). Since there is not a sunset provision on the mill levy increase, the mill levy increase would be indefinite.

The board discussed that a "no" vote for the community center is a "no" for right now. The board previously voted to donate land for the community center and conceptually like the idea of a community center, but they are uncertain about increasing mills at this time.

Sandy Chapman moved and Kelley Bethell-Smith seconded to deny the Baldwin City Recreation Commission's request to increase the property tax levy by 2.75 mills. Vote of 3 yes and 2 no. Motion failed.

Nick Harris moved and Chad Christie seconded to approve the non-binding resolution for a 2.75 mill tax increase for the community center, subject to the statutory right of protest, if the sales tax is approved by the voters of Baldwin City as presented. Vote of 2 yes and 3 no. Motion failed.

Due to the failure of motions, the community center vote was tabled until the October board meeting.

Nick Harris called a 5-minute break. Time: 8:09 p.m.

G. Greg Kruger returned to the meeting. Time: 8:14 p.m.

Financial Report

Cynde Frick discussed the Capital Outlay budget.

Chad Christie moved and Sandy Chapman seconded to approve the 2016-2017 Capital Outlay budget as presented. Motion carried with a vote of 6

yes and 0 no.

H. Mr. Dorathy stated Will Cooper withdrew his band trip request.

## **Administrative Reports**

Old Business

I. Kelley Bethell-Smith moved and Sandy Chapman seconded to amend policy CEB as presented. The verbiage of "additional duties assigned at the discretion of the board" will be added to the policy. Motion carried with a vote of 6 yes and 0 no.

Sandy Chapman moved and Nikki Tiller seconded to delete policy CEE as presented. Motion carried with a vote of 6 yes and 0 no.

Sandy Chapman moved and Chad Christie seconded to delete policy FA. Motion carried with a vote of 6 yes and 0 no.

Sandy Chapman moved and Chad Christie seconded to adopt policy FC as presented utilizing the verbiage "District Facilities shall be named by the Board of Education" under Naming of District Facilities. Motion carried with a vote of 6 yes and 0 no.

J. Mr. Dorathy talked to the board about a parent's request to move district boundary lines into USD 348 and the complications that arise from this type of request. The parent, Kyle Heltne, asked to talk to the board and explained that their home is in closer proximity to Baldwin City than West Franklin.

The board asked Mr. Heltne to meet with the West Franklin district to get their thoughts on a property transfer and have them respond to Mr. Dorathy. If West Franklin approves the request, then Mr. Heltne can present his request to the board again.

Nick Harris moved and Sandy Chapman seconded to table policy GACCA until the October meeting for rewording. Motion carried with a vote of 6 yes and 0 no.

Sandy Chapman moved and Chad Christie seconded to amend policy DFE to include policy DFE-R and DG-348 as presented. Motion carried with a vote of 6 yes and 0 no.

Greg Kruger moved and Nikki Tiller seconded to delete policies DJEAC, GAACB, GBRC, and GCA-348 07-06 as presented. Motion carried with a vote of 6 yes and 0 no.

Nikki Tiller moved and Sandy Chapman seconded to amend policies DJE, DJED, DJEJ, DJFAB, DK, GAAA, GAACA, GAAD, GAAF, GAF, GAN, GAOC, GARI, GBH, and KG as presented. Motion carried with a vote of 6 yes and 0 no.

Nick Harris moved and Sandy Chapman seconded to rename policy GBI-348 as GCI, GBO-348 as GCO, GBRJA as GCRJA, GCA-348 07-15 as

New Business

GAU, and GCA-348 07-16 Guidelines for Classified Pay Rates as GCAA as presented. Motion carried with a vote of 6 yes and 0 no.

Chad Christie moved and Nick Harris seconded to adopt policies DJEF, GA, GAE, GAL, GBI, GBO, GBR, GBRE, and GCA as presented. Motion carried with a vote of 6 yes and 0 no.

Kelley Bethell-Smith moved and Nick Harris seconded to rename policy GCAA as GCAB and extend the program by one year. Motion carried with a vote of 6 yes and 0 no.

Sandy Chapman moved and Greg Kruger seconded to rename policy GCA-348 07-16 Employee Retiree Benefits as GAUA and amend as presented. Motion carried with a vote of 6 yes and 0 no.

K. Nikki Tiller and Greg Kruger shared with the board information they gathered at the last Co-op meeting. An insurance plan has been selected for paras and will be presented this month. The estimated cost is \$105,000 and can be taken out of cash balances.

A Life Skills teacher was added to the High School. The High School needs a para or two but overall para staffing is good. The co-op is looking into changing their payroll and accounting system.

L. Mr. Dorathy discussed curriculum updates and ACT scores.

The curriculum reviews scheduled for this year are 6-12 Communication Arts and K-5 Science. These will be presented to the board around spring break.

Mr. Dorathy talked about the improvement of ACT scores. He presented ACT history showing that 2016 English, Reading and Composite scores are the second highest scores since 2002.

Sandy Chapman moved and Nick Harris seconded to amend the agenda to add Patty Lenning's request for FBLA students to attend the 2016 National FBLA Fall Leadership Conference in Dallas. Motion carried with a vote of 6 yes and 0 no.

Kelley Bethell-Smith moved and Sandy Chapman seconded to approve the request for FBLA students to attend the 2016 National FBLA Fall Leadership Conference in Dallas. Motion carried with a vote of 6 yes and 0 no

M. There was no executive session at this time.

N. Nick Harris moved and Sandy Chapman seconded to approve the personnel reports as presented. Motion carried with a vote of 6 yes and 0 no.

O. Greg Kruger moved and Nikki Tiller seconded to adjourn the regular

**Board Member Input** 

Superintendent's Report

**Executive Session** 

**Consider Executive Session Matters** 

Adjournment

board meeting. Motion carried with a vote of 6 yes and 0 no. Time: 8:56 p.m.

Approved:

Nick Harris, President Board of Education Attest:

Cory Countryman Clerk of the Board