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USD #292 GOVE COUNTY – WHEATLAND SCHOOLS
BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING
Board Room – Wheatland High School
Monday, September 11, 2017

APPROVED

President Nick Zerr called the regular Board of Education meeting to order on Monday, September 11, 2017, at 7:30 pm.

Board members present were Aaron Dohm, Harvey Heier, Connie Lewis, Damian Melgoza, Steve Watts, Nick Zerr and Richard Zimmerman. Gary Kraus, Superintendent; Paula Chapin, Clerk; Todd Flinn, Admin. Intern; and Terry Ostmeyer, AD.

Those present recited the Pledge of allegiance.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: Motion by Lewis and second by Melgoza to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried 7-0.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Motion by Heier and second by Lewis to approve the minutes of the regular meeting on August 14, 2017, as read. Motion carried 7-0.

Motion by Dohm and second by Watts to approve the minutes of the special meeting on August 28, 2017, as read. Motion carried 7-0.

APPROVAL OF BILLS AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS: Motion by Melgoza and second by Lewis to approve the regular bills check journal #17910-#17950 in the amount of \$36,249.10; electronic checks #2018138-2018140 in the amount of \$5,656.15; check journal #17951-#17973 in the amount of \$5,522.03; and to approve the August financial statements as presented. Motion carried 7-0.

GUESTS: New district teachers: Mr. Steve Reed, Ms. Laura Palma, Ms. Faith Charles, Mrs. Becky Zerr and Mr. Will Bixenman introduced themselves to the board.

TRANSPORTATION CONCERNS: The transmission is bad on Bus #1. Due to the age and mileage of the bus, Mr. Kraus recommended not repairing the bus and using those funds towards a new bus. The 2001 Lumina car is having A/C issues. Mr. Kraus recommended not repairing the AC at this time.

Motion by Melgoza and second by Lewis to dispose of the 1994 GMC bus #1 with a Bluebird body. Motion carried 7-0.

COOPERATIVE AGREEMENT: Mr. Kraus discussed possible dates and time for an executive committee meeting. The boards discuss the Superintendent's evaluation process.

REPORTS:

WHS MAINTENANCE: Butch Weber left a written report for the board:

- Due to transmission failure on bus #1, the older activity bus #5 has been placed on the bus and shuttle route. It is a bigger bus and will give the shuttle kids more room;
- AC unit in the upper office area went down last week. Glassman Corporation was contacted and two different parts are ordered;
- Daryl Zerr completed the concrete work on the north water well;
- Midwest Energy set the football field pole and lights are working.

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Technology Report: Les Barnhart submitted a written report on the technology issues:

- ID's on WHS tablets have been updated as well as desktop computers at WES;
- Setting up the test network lab;
- Setup AR at WES and fixed STAR program;
- PowerSchool maintenance;
- Remounted projector in ITV room;
- Replaced Chromebook LCD screen.

AD Report: Terry Ostmeyer, AD, left a written report on the following:

- WKLL Leadership training begins on Sept. 20 at the Grinnell VFW;
- Expressed thanks to the sponsors of the athletic cards and posters;
- Attending the KSHSAA Executive Board meeting in Topeka;
- Thanked the sponsors of the Open Spaces broadcast of the Gove Co. Classic;
- Thanked Nex-Tech for providing football t-shirts as well as donating \$10 for each touchdown;
- The Gove County Volleyball Classic took place on Sept. 9. The JV volleyball competed at Quinter. Both Thunderhawk teams were tournament champions. Thanked the many volunteers for helping with the classic at both Wheatland and Grinnell sites;
- The football team hosts Western Plains on Friday;
- Homecoming is Oct. 6 against Pawnee Heights;
- Cross country runners have competed at Norton and Quinter and will run at Victoria;
- Thanked GAP and Thunderhawk Booster Club for hosting the Back to School party;

WHS Report: Mr. Flinn reported on the following:

- Back to School activities with 56 students enrolled. The Junior class won the class competitions and a pizza party;
- Met with each class to discuss student handbook and other student procedures;
- Noted that USD 292 students performed exceptionally well on ACT report;
- WES warmer is not working correctly and being checked into;
- Pooling of water in the back lot of elementary;
- NHS Blood Drive is September 12; Parent Teacher Conferences are September 25; Stucco Conference is Sept. 26; Body Venture for WES is October 4 at Hoxie; Homecoming is October 6 with a dance on Oct. 7 at 9:00 pm due to the volleyball tournament at Scott City; Theme for Homecoming is Disney Movies.

Administrative Report: Mr. Kraus reported on the following:

- KESA presentation to the board;
- ACT results and trends.

PERSONNEL: Motion by Heier and second by Dohm to enter into executive session with Mr. Kraus and Mr. Flinn present for 20 minutes beginning at 9:20 pm to discuss individual employee performance pursuant to non-elected personnel exception under KOMA, and the open meeting will resume in the board room at 9:40 pm. Motion passed 7-0.

The board returned to open session at 9:40 pm with no action taken.

Motion by Dohm and second by Watts to approve the shared teaching/employment contracts with USD #291 for Mr. Les Barnhart, Mrs. Ronna Schultz, Mrs. Reba White and Mr. Eldon Martell as presented. Motion passed 7-0.

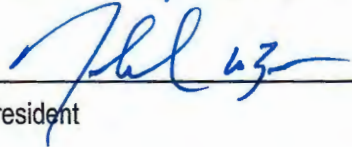
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Motion by Dohm and second by Lewis to ratify the concessions sponsor contract for Tonya Packard as presented. Motion carried 7-0.


Motion by Dohm and second by Melgoza to ratify the Wheatland Elementary Cook Aide contract for Tonya Packard as presented. Motion carried 7-0.

Motion by Dohm and second by Melgoza to offer a bus driver contract to Don Randall. Motion carried 7-0.

Chairman Zerr declared the meeting adjourned at 9:50 pm.



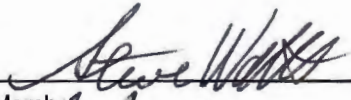
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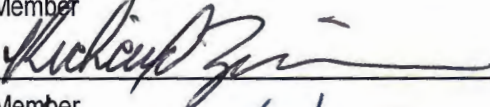
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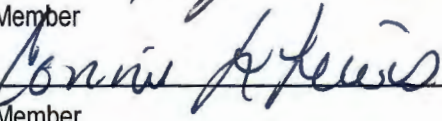
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