**REGULAR MEETING – April 11, 2022**

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The Board of Education of USD #511 met in regular session on Monday, April 11, 2022 and was called to order by President Jolene Peterson at 6:00pm. Members present included Roger Goodman, Megan McDaniel, and Heather Fly. Guests present were Jack Deviney. Also present was Superintendent Mike Sanders, Principal Brandie Waldschmidt, and Clerk of the Board Amie Loreg.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all in attendance.

President Jolene Peterson recognized guests.

Transportation Director Jack Deviney met with the board to discuss the current fleet. He reviewed current buses and their conditions and discussed the need for a suburban or something similar. Deviney stated that he will be certified to monitor the required 12 hours of drive time for the new CDL requirements and will advertise for more drivers for the next school year. Blaine Blackburn entered the meeting at 6:09pm. Goodman asked Deviney about the door at the Wellness Center that needed repaired. Deviney stated that the work was done over the recent break. Brett Traffas entered the meeting at 6:13pm. Mr. Sanders mentioned that he and Deviney have discussed the need to purchase a load of rock to maintain the parking lots were weather has created dips and holes. Deviney left the meeting at 6:14pm.

Fly made a motion and McDaniel seconded to approve the agenda as presented. 6-0, motion carried.

Goodman made a motion and Traffas seconded to approve the consent agenda. 6-0, motion carried.

Special Education: Goodman discussed the cooperatives most recent meeting. Curriculum: Noting at this time. Professional Development: It was reported that a survey was sent out to teachers on their needs for next year’s PD days. Technology: Nothing at this time. Summer Recreation: Banners will be hung shortly at the ball field. Transportation: Nothing at this time. Budget Summary of Funds: At Risk amounts were discussed. Wellness Center: Peterson asked if the school is okay with the sale of a couple of old bikes at the Wellness Center. The BOE is okay with the sale of the old equipment. Peterson also reported that a treadmill that is broken will not be replaced. The committee might consider writing a grant to help purchase a new one.

Unfinished Business

KESA: The full report was reviewed by the board. Mr. Sanders stated that the report has been sent to the state for accreditation approval.

Summer Maintenance : Mr. Sanders discussed hiring Craig Winters this summer to help with mowing and Susan Hulm, Food Service Director to serve breakfast for the summer school program and possibly some custodial duties.

New Business

Middle School Cheer: Tabled

Class Schedule: The proposed schedule was reviewed and discussed by the board. The junior high/high schedule is created early to allow for student pre-enrollment. Mrs. Waldschmidt asked the board if they were okay with the necessary changes being made with administration approval. It will change several times over the next few months with the resignation and hiring processes or if they want to approve every revision. The BOE is okay with administration approval.

Softball/Baseball Cooperative Request: Mr. Sanders reported that Cunningham is seeking a cooperative softball and baseball program. The board discussed with no decision.

Traffas moved and Blackburn seconded to approve Vanessa Keller as a BARK program aide. 6-0, motion carried.

Food Service Management: Mr. Sanders presented renewal docs for Keystone, the food service company. He presented Keystones projected meal pricing for next year. McDaniel moved and Blackburn seconded to approve the renewal with no changes, as stated by Keystone. 6-0, motion carried.

Mental Health Grant: This year the USD split Megan Osner, school mental health position, with Cunningham. She will be moved to full time position at Cunningham next year but has offered to help the district write its own grant to get a full time position here as well. The grant is 75% grant funds and 25% district funds. Mr. Sanders recommends completing the grant process and states there is enough need in the building to support the cost. The board agrees moving forward is necessary.

Traffas moved and Blackburn seconded to approving the KASB membership renewal and legal assistance fund for the 2022/23 school year. 6-0, motion carried.

Goodman moved and Fly seconded to accept the resignation of Brianna Spence as Junior High ELA teacher, effective the end of the 2022 school year. 6-0, motion carried.

Traffas moved and Blackburn seconded to accept the resignation of Carey McFann as Social Science teacher and Tech coordinator, effective the end of the 2022 school year. 6-0, motion carried.

Traffas moved and Fly seconded to approve the hire of Mary Berntsen as Social Science teacher for the 2022/23 school year. 6-0, motion carried.

Supplemental List: The list was reviewed.

Blackburn moved and McDaniel seconded to accept the resignation of Megan Ricke as BARK Program Director, effective the end of the 2022 school year. 6-0, motion carried.

Items & Comments by Board: Fly was contacted by someone who has a “give back program” and would like to meet with administration/BOE. He mentioned to Fly that he is currently working with USD 361 so Mr. Sanders said he will reach out to them first and go from there. Traffas stated that he will research suburbans and get back to the board. Peterson asked if the district had any interest in purchasing the home across the street. She stated that the owner is moving and asked her to ask the school first before they put it on the market for sale. She was not sure of the asking price.

Administration: Mrs. Waldschmidt reported the last day for seniors will be May 10th and the last day for 8th graders will be May 13th. Mr. Sanders recommended a board retreat for goal setting purposes for next year. He stated that he was asked to write a letter for Patterson Health Center to show support for their “Bringing Your Care Home” project. He presented the board copies of the request and the letter he submitted for them. Mr. Sanders stated that Argonia principal, Luke Greenwood, discussed with Mrs. Waldschmidt that they will have to review numbers on a yearly basis but it looks like they will have enough kids to participate in all sports. He also mentioned that summer school will be held in June.

Goodman moved and Blackburn seconded to go into executive session for 15 minutes to discuss specific individuals pursuant to the non elected personnel matter exception, to protect the privacy interests of an identifiable individual with Mr. Sanders, Mrs. Waldschmidt, and the board. 6-0, motion carried. Meeting to resume at 7:22pm. Fly moved and Traffas seconded to extend the executive session for 10 minutes. 6-0, motion carried. Meeting to resume at 7:32pm. Fly moved and Blackburn seconded to extend the session for 10 minutes. 6-0, motion carried. Meeting to resume at 7:32pm.

Goodman moved and McDaniel seconded to go into executive session for 5 minutes to discuss negotiations pursuant to the negotiations matter exception, to protect the district’s right to the confidentially of its negotiation position and the public interest with Mr. Sanders, Mrs. Waldschmidt, and the board. 6-0, motion carried. Meeting to resume at 7:44pm.

Fly moved and Blackburn seconded to adjourn. 6-0, motion carried. 7:50pm

Meeting adjourned,

Amie Loreg Clerk of the Board of Education 511