

REGULAR MEETING – December 14, 2020

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The Board of Education of USD #511 met in regular session on Monday, December 14th, 2020 and was called to order by President Brett Traffas at 6:00pm. Members present included Jolene Peterson, Tye McDaniel, Rogena Grigsby, Shirley Barrett, and Roger Goodman. 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.

Goodman moved and Peterson seconded to amend the agenda to include 8c. Executive Session for Student Matters as an Action Item and 8d. Hybrid Remote Learning Plan Mitigation Procedures as an Action Item. 6-0, motion carried.

Grigsby moved and Barrett seconded to approve the agenda as amended. 6-0, motion carried.

Peterson moved and Barrett seconded to approve the consent agenda after questions seeking clarification on specific bills were answered. 6-0, motion carried.

Special Education: Mr. Sanders will attend the Superintendents remote meeting on December 15th.

Curriculum: Nothing at this time.

PDC: Mr. Sanders gave members the minutes from October and November meetings to review. He stated that the committee is working on PDC days for January, February, and April.

Technology: Mr. Sanders reported on outdated Promethean boards and plans to use REAP funds to update some of them.

Summer Rec: Rec members reported that Bidy Basketball games will start in February.

Transportation: Mr. Sanders reported that one of the suburbans was involved in an accident, resulting in EMC totaling it. He stated that he was still waiting to hear back on the bus that what also in an accident about payout for it being totaled as well.

Budget Summary: In packet for review.

Wellness Center: The entry way to the building was repaired by Michael's Handyman Service for \$50 less than their original estimate. Due to covid restrictions on game attendance the family of Fred Gerdes agreed to purchase an NFHS system for the school with funds donated to his memorial. The system is slated to be installed during the holiday break. This system is being used all over the state to allow fans to watch games from home.

Unfinished Business

Food Service: Mr. Sanders reported that he has contacted the state about the districts desire to seek bids from food service companies. He and Food Service Director, Teresa Logsdon, are enrolled to attend a webinar on the process.

Bond Update: A discussion was held about decreasing the list of needs and holding a special election. The board is unsure if there would be enough community support.

Goodman moved and McDaniel seconded to go into executive session for 15 minutes to discuss student matters pursuant to the student matters exception, to protect the privacy interests of an identifiable individual(s) with Mr. Sanders, Mrs. Waldschmidt, and the board. 6-0, motion carried. Meeting to resume at 6:57pm.

Valedictorian/Salutatorian: No action.

Hybrid Remote Learning Mitigation Procedures: Mr. Sanders recommended, after his weekly meeting with the Harper County Health Department it was decided that temp checks are not necessary as not one person has had a fever when checked throughout the first semester. Peterson moved and Goodman seconded to stop requiring temp checks when entering the building, starting after Christmas Break. 6-0, motion carried.

New Business

Local Option Budget Resolution: The board discussed adopting the Local Option Budget Resolution to increase from 30% to 33% for the 2021/22 to generate additional revenue.

KSDE Preliminary Legal Max Letter: Mr. Sanders reported that according to the letter the district did not request as much authority as it could have in the budget. After the final KSDE audit, if it agrees, the budget can be republished which could result in an increase in state aid.

Capital Outlay Expense History: Mr. Sanders discussed what has been an annual transfer of custodial wages from the supplemental general fund to capital outlay. He showed the board the yearly amount that has been moved since 2017.

Honeywell Service Contract: The board reviewed a very dated service contract sent to Mr. Sanders from Honeywell requesting a meeting to update. After discussion the board would like more information. What all is done in a year to warrant this and are all contracts a 5 year period or is there a lesser option were two of their most discussed questions.

McDaniel moved and Peterson seconded to adopt the newest quarantine guidelines from Harper County. 6-0, motion carried.

McDaniel moved and Peterson seconded to approve Brianna Spence to be the Play Sponsor for this year. 6-0, motion carried.

Board Comments: McDaniel asked what the plan was to replace the suburban that was totaled. A discussion was held about purchasing something new once an exact amount is received for both, the suburban and bus from insurance.

Administration: Mr. Sanders commented on the copiers being dated. The board discussed seeking other options. Mr. Sanders said he would contact some companies and bring the information back to the BOE. He requested allowing students, once all of their work is completed on the last day of school before Christmas Break, the 22nd, be allowed to leave. This was done last year. The board agreed this would be fine. He also mentioned KSDE revenue projections, KSHSSA's rule change allowing two parents/guardians to attend events, and that Andrea McDaniel, Nurse, has once again received a BCBS Grant for \$1,000 that she intends to use to hold another 5k run for students and staff.

Mrs. Waldschmidt asked the boards opinion of hosting basketball tournaments here. The board is supportive of this change. She stated that the welding program is adding two more hours next year, and reported on finals being optional for teachers this semester due to a lot of student in house while others were remote learning.

Grigsby moved and Barrett seconded to go into executive session for 15 minutes to discuss employee specifics 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 7:59pm. Amie Loreg, clerk was called into the meeting at 7:49pm.

McDaniel moved and Grigsby seconded to go into executive session for 10 minutes to discuss student matters pursuant to the student matters exception, to protect the privacy interests of an identifiable individual(s) with Mr. Sanders, Mrs. Waldschmidt, and the board. 6-0, motion carried. Meeting to resume at 8:15pm.

Goodman moved and Peterson seconded to go into executive session for 15 minutes to discuss specific employees 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 8:33pm. Mike Sanders and Brandie Waldschmidt left the meeting at 8:22pm. Goodman moved and Barrett seconded to extend the session for 10 minutes. 6-0, motion carried. Meeting to resume at 8:43pm.

Peterson moved and McDaniel seconded to adjourn the meeting at 8:48pm.

Meeting adjourned,

Amie Loreg
Clerk of the Board of Education 511