

# **Board of Education Minutes**

## **UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT 511**

Date: March 10, 2025

Time: 6:00pm

SUPERINTENDENT/BOARD OFFICE - 718 N. MAIN ATTICA, KS 67009

### **Regular Board of Education Meeting**

The board of education met in regular session on Monday, March 10, and was called to order by President Brett Traffas at 6:00 pm. Members in attendance were Roger Goodman, Lynda Newberry, Heather Fly, Megan McDaniel, and Blaine Blackburn. Also in attendance were Superintendent Daryl Daugaard, Clerk of the Board Mandy Traffas, and Principal Wyatt Williams.

The pledge of allegiance was recited by all in attendance.

Something Good - The high school girls are headed to State basketball.

Amend/Adopt Agenda - Goodman motioned and Fly seconded to adopt the agenda. 6-0, motion carried.

Approve Consent Agenda - Review of cash summaries, checks, and the previous minutes. The activity fund will create a new line for the food box grant. Fly motioned and McDaniel seconded to approve the consent agenda. 6-0, motion carried.

Athletic Department - Gave an update on girls' state basketball travel and logistics that is being worked through. Golf polos were never ordered last year as the ETA was too late, so they will be ordered soon for this year's golfers and those will be property of the school for yearly use.

Special Education - Nothing new to report.

Curriculum - Have been reviewing the curriculum that is up for renewal in the rotation for the upcoming school year. The elementary teachers are sampling social studies curriculum and secondary has a few different ones that are up this next year.

Technology - Nothing new to report.

Summer Recreation - Have not met.

Transportation/Maintenance - The charter bus sold in auction and are awaiting pickup and payment of that. The suggestion to retire the aging and broken boiler system was discussed. More research into what that entails and how that would work is needed. Jack has made calls for weed spraying on fields and property as well as the trees for bagworms. More sand needed in the outdoor sand pit and new mulch is needed around the playground equipment.

PDC Meeting - Met last week, discussed focusing on crisis drills and better use/training for teachers on use of the Xello program for the August PD days.

SITE Council Meeting - Met today prior to the BOE meeting. Several events are coming up to wind down the year: Donuts with Dad on April 2, Family Bingo Night on April 29, Muffins with Mom on May 7, and will plan to do the staff meal again on May 5. Mandy and Rebecca with Keystone gave a food service update on some new menu items and the pilot of "school order ahead" which is an online format that will allow for staff and secondary students to sign up each morning for an alternate meal option in place of the menu item each day. This is being done in hopes of encouraging more secondary students to eat school lunch by giving them options. They hope to begin this pilot shortly after spring break. The council is also discussing incentives and ways to help promote upcoming state testing. Also, a teacher from each building is needed as there is currently no teacher representation attending.

Wellness Center - The completion of the light switch change-out should be very soon after some issues with the covering of the switches. The cameras in the gym are not yet functioning, and we are awaiting that to open the gym and bathrooms up to fob members after hours.

District Leadership Team (DLT) - Our KESA School Improvement Plan was submitted last week.

Hire 5th Grade - Annie Gerber - Newberry motioned and McDaniel seconded to approve the hire of Annie Gerber as 5th grade teacher for the 2025-2026 school year. 6-0, motion carried.

Protocol for Cardiac Response Team - Mr. Dugaard reviewed who is a part of the required Cardiac Response Team and what the responsibilities of the team are. Goodman motioned and Newberry seconded to approve the protocol for the cardiac response team. 6-0, motion carried.

KASB Fees - Newberry motioned and Fly seconded to approve KASB services for next school year with legal services and option 1. 6-0, motion carried.

Appoint Recreation Board Member - Table for April meeting and wait to appoint when newly appointed board member comes on to see if there is any interest by them.

Items & Comments by Board Members - A request was made for an update on the schedule and pre-enrolling for next school year. Discussion over a solid plan for summer projects needing to be in place following the walk-through in April. The capital improvement projects we have saved for need to be put into motion and considered while putting the summer plan into place. Doing two walkthroughs, one for each building, earlier than April to allow for more prep time was discussed as an option after this year.

Administrative Reports - Mr. Williams recapped the hosting of sub-state and its success. There were no major issues, and the turnout was great with many compliments on our facilities. The junior high boys basketball team won the league championship, the league is working on the format of the tournament for next year, and provided an update on the league junior high football schedule. The seniors and their sponsors take off for the senior trip this weekend, senior Talan Kanngiesser had his signing this week to do rodeo and attend Missouri Valley College, and state testing kicks off after spring break. Mr. Dugaard discussed the open BOE position. Any candidates that would like to be considered will be interviewed by the board at the April BOE meeting. A list of questions for them to choose from was distributed to the board. Board choices to be emailed to President Traffas to assemble for the next meeting. He indicated that there were a few incidents of "out of line" crowd members at Sub-State that had to be handled but this was done without incident. The City/Alumni Association reached out about

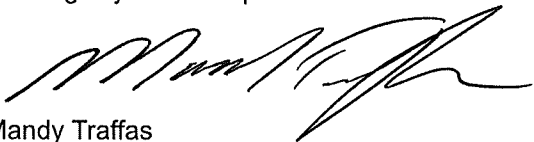
wanting to donate a bench or two to the school. The board reviewed and discussed some options. Our INA alert system is still not functioning on all lines and they reached out about the need to still come out and do more work on it, Langford will be here Saturday to start on the high school gym floor repair. We just received our first endowment check from the Harper County Community Foundation to be used at the board's discretion, keeping in mind the mission statement of the foundation. The board was very thankful for this endowment.

Personnel Matters - Personnel Matters - Fly motioned and Newberry seconded to go into executive session for 10 minutes with Mr. Daugaard and Mr. Williams to discuss personnel matters of nonelected personnel in order to protect the privacy interests of an identifiable individual. 6-0, motion carried. Meeting to resume at 7:33 pm.

Negotiations - Blackburn motioned and Newberry seconded to go into executive session for 5 minutes with Mr. Daugaard and Mr. Williams to discuss matters relating to employer-employee negotiations whether or not in consultation with the board's representative or representatives in order to protect the district's right to the confidentiality of its negotiating position, and the public interest. 6-0, motion carried. Meeting to resume at 7:40 pm.

Adjourn - McDaniel motioned and Fly seconded to adjourn the meeting. 6-0, motion carried.

Meeting adjourn 7:42 pm.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Mandy Traffas', with a stylized, flowing script.

Mandy Traffas  
Clerk of the Board