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## USD 237 Board of Education Regular Meeting

Board Minutes for Monday June 14, 2021

216 South Jefferson, Smith Center, KS 66967

Smith Center Board of Education Meeting Room

June 14, 2021

### ITEM 1. CALL TO ORDER

The regular meeting of the USD #237 was called to order by President Theron Haresnape. **7:01 PM**

Board members present to the call to order – Bob Dietz, Jessica Weltmer, Marty Hanson, Steve Overmiller, and Jessica Hawkins, Tim Weltmer was not present for the meeting. School administrators present Superintendent Mr. Joshua Lanning, Jr-Sr. High School Principal Greg Koelsch and Board Clerk Roberta Reinking.

### ITEM 2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA – add/delete

Discussion to add late items to the consensus items 3 h) add the donation of \$300 to the Redmen Food Pantry from a Health & Equity Grant, from the 4-H Community Action Team and 3 i) the resignation from Brock Hutchinson as wrestling coach.

Bob Dietz made a motion to approve the Agenda with the additions of 3 h) & 3 i), Marty Hanson seconded the motion. The motion was approved by a 6-0 vote. **7:04 PM**

### ITEM 3. CONSENSUS ITEMS

- a. May 10, 2021 Regular Board Meeting Minutes.
- b. June 14, 2021 Statements.
- c. End of year Authority.
- d. Approval of Profession Development Council (PDC) Points.
- e. Donation to Elementary School from the Lull Family Charitable Trust \$3,137.00.
- f. Approval of day off for Darian Baumann
- g. Thank you from Janie Topel.
- h. Donation to Redmen Food Pantry from a Health & Equity Grant from the 4-H Community Action Team.
- i. Resignation from Brock Hutchinson as wrestling coach.

Discussion was questioning the Chrome books, Mr. Lanning explained those were ordered last July and we had just received them. The money to pay for those came from the Sparks money, that is the last of that money. Mr. Lanning explained there was approximately \$21,000 left of the Essen money that we

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would request to cover the costs of the substitutes that covered for employees out with COVID or in quarantine.

Jessica Hawkins made a motion to approve the consensus items as presented, Steve Overmiller seconded the motion. The motion was approved by a 6-0 vote.

7:09 PM

## ITEM 4. PUBLIC FORUM.

Nothing tonight.

## ITEM 5. NICK LINN REQUESTING THE USE OF TWO SUBURBANS TO TAKE THE VOLLEYBALL GIRLS TO ABILENE FOR A TOURNAMENT ON JUNE 24<sup>TH</sup> & 25<sup>TH</sup>.

Mr. Lanning explained this is a good tournament for the girls to attend, Mr. Linn does need to request the use of two suburbans for this summer event.

Steve Overmiller made a motion to approve the use of the suburban's, Bob Dietz seconded the motion. The motion was approved by a 6-0 vote.

7:10 PM

## ITEM 6. CRISIS MANAGEMENT PLAN 2021-2022

Alana Williams-Dean worked with the Smokey Hills to review and put the Crisis Management plan for the 2021-2022 school session. Mr. Lanning thought the only changes were employee changes, the board did ask who Connie Rocker was, she is taking Janie Topels position.

Steve Overmiller made a motion to approve the Crisis Management Plan, requested the copies be handed back to the board, Bob Dietz seconded the motion. The motion was approved by a 6-0 vote.

7:12 PM

## ITEM 7. CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF BIDS FOR COMPLEX

Mr. Lanning called A.J. Kuhlmann, who is currently on vacation, to discuss the bids that have been received for work at the complex, A. J. has received one from Billy Davis Construction LLC for \$23,417.69 and TopNotch Guttering & Home Improvement out of Victoria for \$45,061.00. A. J. talked to Billy Davis today about his bid since it was significantly lower than TopNotch. Jessica Hawkins feels we need to verify the bid with Billy Davis Construction as well as a completion date, the board wants this completed before the first football game. A. J. will contact Billy Davis to get a more detailed bid as well as making sure he can complete the job on time. A. J. said the sooner we can make a decision the quicker the supplies can be ordered, hopefully before prices go up more. The bid from TopNotch will honor the estimate for 30 days.

Bob Dietz made a motion to accept the bid from Billy Davis Construction for \$23,417.69 and completion before first football game, Steve Overmiller seconded the motion. The motion was approved by a 6-0 vote.

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## **ITEM 8. EXECUTIVE SESSION – PERSONNEL – SUPPLEMENTAL**

Kyle Allen arrive at the meeting. **7:24 PM**

Jessica Weltmer made a motion to go into Executive Session for 15 minutes, inviting Kyle Allen, Joshua Lanning and the board, Bob Dietz seconded the motion. The motion was approved by a 6-0 vote.

**7:27 PM**

Greg Koelsch & Roberta Reinking left the closed meeting.

Roberta Reinking returned to the meeting. **7:42 PM**

Jessica Weltmer made a motion to go into Executive Session for 10 minutes, inviting Kyle Allen, Joshua Lanning and the board, Bob Dietz seconded the motion. The motion was approved by a 6-0 vote.

**7:42 PM**

Roberta Reinking left the closed meeting.

Roberta Reinking returned to the meeting. **7:52 PM**

Jessica Weltmer made a motion to go into Executive Session for 15 minutes, inviting Kyle Allen, Joshua Lanning and the board, Bob Dietz seconded the motion. The motion was approved by a 6-0 vote.

**7:52 PM**

Roberta Reinking left the closed meeting.

Roberta Reinking returned to the meeting.

Jessica Weltmer made a motion to go into Executive Session for 5 minutes, inviting Kyle Allen, Joshua Lanning and the board, Bob Dietz seconded the motion. The motion was approved by a 6-0 vote.

**8:07 PM**

Roberta Reinking and Greg Koelsch returned to the meeting. **8:12 PM**

## **ITEM 9. APPROVAL OF ADDITIONAL SUPPLEMENTAL DUTY ASSIGNMENTS FOR 2021-2022**

Jessica Weltmer asked about the approval of Patrick Miller as high school assistant volleyball coach, he was pending as needed for the number of girls out. Mr. Koelsch thought there would be around 23, the board agreed to approve Patrick Miller as assistant High School volleyball coach.

Approved was Landon Keiswetter as head wrestling coach with Clint Rogers and Travis Elliott as assistants, Mike Rogers will be the Jr. High wrestling coach.

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Approval of Michelle Elliott as drama coach, Hope Padilla and Sara Pruden as the Jr. High cheer sponsors and Kecia Archer as the High School spirit squad sponsor. The board tabled the Athletic Director position and will add this discussion for next board meeting.

Jessica Weltmer made a motion to approve the supplementals as presented to the board with the exception of Athletic Director, this is tabled until next month, Marty Hanson seconded the motion. The motion was approved by a 6-0 vote. **8:19 PM**

## ITEM 10. REPORTS

Jessica Hawkins nothing to report in open meeting.

Mr. Lanning talked about the food service issue, we have went over the budget by around \$20,000, this is due to the food service. At this time this is not an issue since it has to do with food service and Covid. We will be able to move money around to cover this then we can use the Esser II funds. Today it was discovered that there were 2 gas leaks at the high school, KS Gas was at the school at the time turning the gas back on after a large gas leak was discovered in Lebanon. Tucker Liby had them shut it back off until we can find the source of the leak.

NCKSEC talked about a 2.5% increase in wages, Mr. Lanning had talked to Cher Grieving about this and felt maybe a better place was towards health insurance. They will talk more about this and put together a plan for the extra money.

Mr. Lanning left the board meeting. **8:29 PM**

Mr. Koelsch had nothing to add, Jessica Weltmer asked if they had a schedule together for next year with the district being short a teacher. Mr. Koelsch has a preliminary one tonight he made copies and gave to the board to look over. Mr. Koelsch mentioned adding a class to Mr. Wick as well as a planning period. Jessica Weltmer asked Roberta to put that on the agenda for next month, hoping they can have a better schedule of classes.

Mr. Stamm was not at the board meeting.

Mr. Lanning returned to the meeting. **8:34 PM**

## ITEM 11. EXECUTIVE SESSION – PERSONNEL

Jessica Hawkins moved to go into executive session – personnel for 10 minutes, inviting Mr. Lanning, the board and Kyle Allen, Greg Koelsch can stay if he wants, Bob Dietz seconded the motion. The motion passed by a 6-0 vote **8:42 PM**

The board congratulated Steve on his and Rhonda's 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary.

Roberta Reinking left the meeting.

Greg Koelsch left the meeting.

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Roberta Reinking returned to the meeting. 8:52 PM

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Roberta Reinking left the meeting.

Roberta Reinking returned to the meeting. 9:07 PM

## ITEM #12. EXECUTIVE SESSION – NEGOTIATIONS

Bob Dietz made a motion to go into executive session – negotiations for 10 minutes, the board invited Mr. Lanning to stay, Steve Overmiller seconded the motion. The motion was approved by a 6-0 vote.

9:18 PM

Roberta Reinking and Kyle Allen left the meeting.

Roberta Reinking returned to the meeting. 9:28 PM

Bob Dietz made a motion to go into executive session for 10 minutes for negotiations, the board invited Mr. Lanning to stay, Steve Overmiller seconded the motion. The motion was approved by a 6-0 vote.

9:28 PM

Roberta Reinking returned to the meeting. 9:38 pm

## ITEM 13. BOARD COMMENTS

The board discussed the high school schedule and teachers, Jessica Weltmer said she would like to see a fine arts class with Mr. Wilson teaching. The KSDE has also approved computer science class as a core math or a science credit. Jessica realizes we are already short a teacher and that might be hard to do right now.

## ITEM 14. BOARD EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES.

## ITEM 15. ADJOURN

Bob made a motion to adjourn the meeting, Jessica Weltmer seconded the motion. The motion was approved by a 6-0 vote. 9:45 PM

The board wish Mr. Lanning the best in his new position.

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*Theron Haresnape*

Theron Haresnape, President

*Roberta Reinking*

Roberta Reinking, Clerk

(NOT YET APPROVED BY THE BOARD)

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