

Unified School District 237

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**USD 237 Board of Education Regular Meeting
Board Minutes for Monday, May 13, 2024
216 S. Jefferson, Smith Center, KS 66967
Smith Center Board of Education Meeting Room**

Item 1. Call To Order

President Theron Haresnape called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M.

Present for the call to order were Board Members Marty Hanson, Jodi Frydendall, Adam Rentschler, Libby McDonald, Steve Overmiller and Sara Pruden, Superintendent Dustin McEwen, Board Clerk Susan Panter, SCE Principal Michelle Stamm and SCHS Principal Greg Koelsch.

Teachers present for the meeting were Travis Elliott, Monica Wagner and Amy Terrill; students Ruby Gomel-Osthoff, Korey Weltmer, Easton Hrabe, Jonny Schlatter, Wilber Tucker and Ellie Herredsberg were also present.

Item 2. Approval of Agenda - Add/Delete

Adam Rentschler made a motion to approve the agenda with items five and six switched. Jodi Frydendall seconded the motion. The motion was approved by a 7-0 vote.

Item 3. Approval of Consensus Items

- a. Approval of Minutes from April 8, 2024 Regular Meeting
- b. Approval of Minutes from April 22, 2024 Special Meeting
- c. May 13, 2024 statements
- d. Approval of Summer Contract for Dylan Teselle
- e. Approval of Food Service Contract for Ashlee Stanfield
- f. Approval of Resignation from Landon Keiswetter as High School Asst Wrestling Coach
- g. Approval of Request for Personal Leave/Monica Wagner
- h. Approval of Request for Personal Leave/Amanda Lehmann
- i. Approval of Request for Personal Leave/Denise Naegele
- j. Approval of Request for Personal Leave/Bree Wilson
- k. Approval of Request for Personal Leave/Tim Wilson
- l. Approval of Request from Lori Ifland to Move Across on Salary Schedule
- m. Approval of Request from Jolene Moss to Move Across on Salary Schedule
- n. Approval of Certified Staff Resignation for Retirement - Rob Buckmaster

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- o. Approval of Summer Contracts - May 28-June 14
Teachers - Sunshine McEwen, Darian Baumann and Kareena Herredsberg
14 student contact days (16 total)
Paras - Shelby Sibley, Rhonda Overmiller, Katy Lange - 14 days
- p. Approval of selling district property of a small lawn mower trailer

Adam Rentschler made a motion to approve the consensus items. Sara Pruden seconded the motion. The motion was approved by a 7-0 vote.

Item 4. Public Forum

None

Item 5. Approval for FFA Officer Retreat in Colorado June 21-23 for the use of 1 suburban and Fuel Card

Moncia Wagner, students Ruby Gomel-Osthoff, Korey Weltmer, Easton Hrabe, Jonny Schlatter and Wilber Tucker came to request Board approval to use 1 suburban and fuel card to go on a FFA Officer Retreat in Colorado. Ellie Herredsberg remained in the district office. They will be leaving June 21st and returning June 23rd. The students presented highlights from the trip last year. They are looking forward to their trip this year.

Libby McDonald made a motion to approve the FFA use of 1 suburban and a fuel card to go to Colorado, June 21-23 on an Officer Retreat. Adam Rentschler seconded the motion. The motion was approved by a 7-0 vote.

Monica Wagner, Ruby Gomel-Osthoff, Korey Weltmer, Easton Hrabe, Jonny Schlatter and Wilber Tucker left the meeting at 7:05 PM.

Item 6. Approval of Continuing Student Accident Insurance with KASB

Mr. McEwen went over the increase and policy changes in Student Accident Insurance with KASB. Mr. McEwen suggested that even with the increase, KASB is the best option for the school.

Adam Rentschler made a motion to approve continuing Student Accident Insurance with KASB. Jodi Frydendall seconded the motion. The motion was approved by a 7-0 vote.

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Amy Terrill, Ruby Gomel-Osthoff, Easton Hrabe and Ellie Herredsberg returned to the meeting at 7:09 PM.

Item 7. Approval for FCCLA National Leadership Conference in Seattle, WA for use of 1 suburban, fuel card and parking to get to Denver, CO airport.

Amy Terrill, students Ruby Gomel-Osthoff, Easton Hrabe and Ellie Herredsberg came to request Board approval to use 1 suburban, fuel card and parking for their FCCLA National Leadership Conference in Seattle, WA. The students gave a slide show presentation of last year's trip. There will be four students attending June 28-July 4.

Sara Pruden made a motion to approve the use of 1 suburban, fuel card and parking for the FCCLA National Leadership Conference. Jodi Frydendall seconded the motion. The motion was approved by a 7-0 vote.

Amy Terrill, Ruby Gomel-Osthoff, Easton Hrabe and Ellie Herredsberg left the meeting at 7:15 PM.

Item 8. Second Reading and Approval of Curriculum, Student/Parent, Coaches And Teacher Handbooks 2024-2025

Steve Overmiller made a motion to approve the Curriculum, Student/Parent, Coaches and Teacher Handbooks for the 2024-2025 school year. Marty Hanson seconded the motion. The motion was approved by a 7-0 vote.

Item 9. Discussion and Approval of Textbook Fees

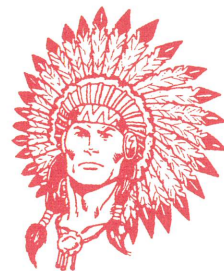
Mr. McEwen suggested leaving the textbooks fees for the 2024-2025 school year the same as last year, which is \$95.00 for the high school and \$50.00 for the elementary school.

Sara Pruden made a motion to approve the textbook rental fees of \$95.00 for the high school and \$50.00 for the elementary school. Adam Rentschler seconded the motion. The motion was approved by a 7-0 vote.

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Item 10. Discussion of Condition of Roofs for District Buildings

Mr. McEwen discussed the inspection of the roofs at both schools from Coryell Roofing company. We are looking at replacing the older roofs of the elementary school, which would be everything except the gym. The high school roofs that would need to be replaced are the auditorium and the music rooms. We are looking at getting bids from roofing companies.

Item 11. Discussion of Insurance for District

Mr. McEwen discussed insurance for the school. We currently have coverage through EMC. They sent a letter on April 29th stating they were not renewing our policy. Mr. McEwen has been working with EMC to see what needs to be done to keep coverage. Mr. McEwen has also contacted KICS (Kansas Insurance Coop for Schools) and got the application process started through them. We have a deadline of July 1st.

Item 12. Reports

- a. Libby McDonald, NCKSEC Interlocal #636 Report
Libby McDonald reported on the following:
 - Budget for Kingdom Hall
 - There will be three summer in-services that will be offered in four locations
 - District assessments
 - They have one vacancy left to fill for employment
- b. Greg Koelsch, SCHS Principal's Report
Nothing to add
- c. Michelle Stamm, SCE Principal's Report
The third grade students had a lemonade stand. They chose to donate the profit to Zambia, which bought 50 bags of cornmeal.
- d. Dustin McEwen, Superintendent's Report
 - KESA 2.0 is October 10, 2024 in Phillipsburg
 - Band for 5th and 6th grade will be moved to the elementary school. They will have band in the current preschool room. Preschool will be moving into the elementary school in Mrs. Foreman's current room.
 - Announcement was made that there will be no summer lunch bunch
 - High School graduation - thanked the Board for being in attendance
 - May audited legal max letter discussed

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Item 13. Executive Session - Personnel - to Protect the Interest of the Individual(s) to be Discussed, Pursuant to Non-Elected Personnel Exception Under KOMA

Adam Rentschler made a motion that the Board Members, Mr. McEwen and Michelle Stamm move into executive session - personnel - to protect the interest of the individual(s) to be discussed, pursuant to non-elected personnel exception under KOMA for a period of ten (10) minutes, returning to the open meeting in this room at **8:20 PM**. Marty Hanson seconded the motion. The motion was approved by a 7-0 vote. **8:10 PM**

Greg Koelsh, Travis Elliott and Susan Panter left the closed meeting room. **8:10 PM**

The Board Members, Mr. McEwen and Michelle Stamm discussed personnel matters.

Greg Koelsch, Travis Elliott and Susan Panter returned to the open meeting. **8:20 PM**

Item 14. Approval of Contract for Elementary School Teacher

Marty Hanson made a motion for Approval of Contract for Cierra Wallgren as Elementary Teacher. Sara Pruden seconded the motion. The motion was approved by a 7-0 vote.

Item 15. Executive Session - Personnel - Supplemental Contracts - to Protect the Interest of the Individual(s) to be Discussed, Pursuant to Non-Elected Personnel Exception Under KOMA

Adam Rentschler made a motion that the Board Members, Mr. McEwen and Travis Elliott move into executive session - personnel - supplemental contracts - to protect the interest of the individual(s) to be discussed, pursuant to non-elected personnel exception under KOMA for ten (10) minutes, returning to the open meeting in this room at **8:32 PM**. Jodi Frydendall seconded the motion. The motion was approved by a 7-0 vote. **8:22 PM**

Greg Koelsch, Michelle Stamm and Susan Panter left the closed meeting. **8:22 PM**

The Board Members, Mr. McEwen and Travis Elliott discussed personnel matters - supplemental contracts.

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Susan Panter returned to the open meeting.

8:32 PM

Adam Rentschler made a motion that the Board Members, Mr. McEwen and Travis Elliott move into executive session - personnel - supplemental contracts - to protect the interest of the individual(s) to be discussed, pursuant to non-elected personnel exception under KOMA for ten (10) minutes, returning to the open meeting in this room at **8:43 PM**. Jodi Frydendall seconded the motion. The motion was approved by a 7-0 vote.

8:33 PM

Susan Panter left the closed meeting.

8:33 PM

The Board Members, Mr. McEwen and Travis Elliott discussed personnel matters - supplemental contracts.

Susan Panter returned to the open meeting.

8:43 PM

Adam Rentschler made a motion that the Board Members, Mr. McEwen and Travis Elliott move into executive session - personnel - supplemental contracts - to protect the interest of the individual(s) to be discussed, pursuant to non-elected personnel exception under KOMA for ten (10) minutes, returning to the open meeting in this room at **8:53 PM**. Jodi Frydendall seconded the motion. The motion was approved by a 7-0 vote.

8:43 PM

Susan Panter left the closed meeting.

8:43 PM

The Board Members, Mr. McEwen and Travis Elliott discussed personnel matters - supplemental contracts.

Greg Koelsch and Susan Panter returned to the open meeting.

8:53 PM

Item 16. Approval of Contract for Head HS Volleyball Coach

Adam Rentschler made a motion for Approval of Contract for Denyse Kattenberg as Head High School Volleyball Coach. Marty Hanson seconded the motion. The motion was approved with a vote of 4-3 with Libby McDonald, Sara Pruden and Jodi Frydendall voting no.

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Item 17. Approval of Contract for Head HS Girls Basketball Coach

Adam Rentschler made a motion for Approval of Contract for Brandon Hrabec as Head High School Girls Basketball Coach. Sara Pruden seconded the motion. The motion was approved by a 7-0 vote.

Item 18. Approval of Contract for Head JH Volleyball Coach

Marty Hanson made a motion for Approval of Contract for Cierra Wallgren as Head Junior High Volleyball Coach. Sara Pruden seconded the motion. The motion was approved by a 7-0 vote.

Item 19. Approval of Contract for Asst JH Volleyball Coach

Sara Pruden made a motion for Approval of Contract for Miranda Attwood as Assistant Junior High Volleyball Coach. Adam Rentschler seconded the motion. The motion was approved by a 7-0 vote.

Item 20. Board Comments

None

Item 21. Adjourn

Adam Rentschler made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Sara Pruden seconded the motion. The motion was approved by a 7-0 vote.

8:57 PM

....."it shall be my constant endeavor to devote time, thought and study to the duties and responsibilities of a school board member so that I may render effective and credible service....."

School Board Member Code of Ethics

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Theron Haresnape".

Theron Haresnape, President

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Susan Panter".

Susan Panter, Clerk

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