

MINUTES
UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT #325
MONDAY, NOVEMBER 14, 2011

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The Board of Education of Unified School District #325 met in regular session on Monday, November 14, 2011 beginning at 6:00 p.m. at the Board of Education office. Members present when the meeting was called to order were: Deb Kennedy, President; Todd Kennedy, Vice President; Patty Northup, member; Michele Powell, member; Jeremy Sauer, member; and Camie Schneider, member. Patrick Hewitt, member, was absent.

Officials present: Michael Gower, Superintendent, Russ Bowman, Treasurer and Mary Jackson, Clerk.

Representing the press: Tad Felts, KKAN/KQMA Radio.

Other interested persons: Todd Bowman, High School Principal; Vicki Constable, High School Instructor; Angela Bruning-Thompson, patron; Madison Orr, Mattison Dusin, Kylee Fall, Haley Thompson, Kiersten Klinger, Rayna Tuch, Bethany Solida, Michaela Gower and Brooke Boyington, high school students.

CALL TO ORDER Deb Kennedy, President, called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

APPROVAL OF
CONSENT AGENDA Todd Kennedy moved the consent agenda including October 10, 2011 regular meeting minutes, treasurer's report, and warrants be approved. Michele Powell seconded the motion. Motion carried 6-0.

COMMUNICATIONS None

COMMUNITY PRESENTATIONS
BEFORE THE BOARD Vicki Constable and several high school Yearbook students presented information regarding photo techniques they were using; service to community and groups; personal advertising contacts and the new QR code technology and how they will be used through the Taylor yearbook company for security reasons. The Board thanked Mrs. Constable and the yearbook students for their presentation.

REPORT TO THE BOARD BY THE
SUPERINTENDENT Superintendent Gower informed the Board of the following information items: Parent Teacher Conferences resulted in typical attendance for the first one of the year at all buildings (65-95%); information from the SHESC Legislative Luncheon he attended last week in Salina; American Education Week is being celebrated in the buildings Nov. 14-18 by treating staff to lunch one day; the Phillips County Food Pantry Event was a huge success with over 7000 pounds collected and a monetary gift collected at the high school totaling around \$500, so there will be NO School on Wednesday, November 23, 2011; a handout with the Standard of Excellence results for USD #325 was reviewed and Mr. Gower noted "these were scores the district should be proud of". Mr. Gower reminded the Board that the Superintendent's Evaluation would take place at the December meeting and their thoughts should be shared with Deb Kennedy prior to that time. USD #325 is scheduled for the state audit the week of November 28, 2011 and the local Mapes and Miller audit has not been scheduled to date. Mr. Gower shared information regarding league affiliation and where we stood to date.

Following discussion, Camie Schneider moved the Board give staff \$30 Bonus Bucks as in previous years for Christmas. Deb Kennedy seconded the motion. Motion carried 6-0.

REPORT TO THE BOARD BY THE
SUPERINTENDENT (Continued)

Mr. Gower shared a project to enhance the track facility at the high school and suggested funds from the sale of the current stadium lights might be used to put in cement slabs between the concession stand and bleachers. He also asked guidance on having picnic tables permanently installed in the cement with possible sponsorship requested for the tables. The Superintendent will check into costs and interest in this project and bring to a future meeting for the Board's consideration. Other capital outlay projects being considered were discussed, with no action being taken at this time.

OLD BUSINESS

STADIUM LIGHT BID Mr. Gower reviewed a bid from the Phillipsburg Rodeo Committee for the lights at the Panther Stadium. Schools that had shown interest earlier are no longer interested or only interested if sealed bids were taken. Following discussion, Michele Powell moved the Board accept the bid from the Phillipsburg Rodeo Committee in the amount of \$20,000.00 for the lights at the Panther Stadium with the Rodeo Committee bearing the expense of moving them. Todd Kennedy seconded the motion. Motion carried 6- 0.

NEW BUSINESS

**OUT OF DISTRICT REQUEST
TO ATTEND USD 325**

Todd Kennedy moved the Board approve one out of district request to attend USD #325 as presented. Michele Powell seconded the motion. Motion carried 6-0. (The list is attached to, and becomes a part of, these official minutes.)

NEGOTIATIONS

Deb Kennedy moved the Board appoint Michele Powell and Patrick Hewitt as the Board Negotiation Representatives. Patty Northup seconded the motion. Motion carried 6-0.

**NCKSEC INTERLOCAL
#636 REPORT**

Michele Powell reported on the recent Interlocal meeting.

PERSONNEL

None

**REQUEST FOR USE OF
SCHOOL FACILITIES**

Information

**BOARD TRAINING
OPPORTUNITIES**

Information

ADJOURNMENT

With no further business, President Kennedy adjourned the meeting at 7:01 p.m.

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DATE APPROVED: