

MINUTES
USD #325 BOARD OF EDUCATION
MONDAY, APRIL 10, 2023

The Board of Education of Unified School District #325 met in regular session at the Administration Building on Monday, April 10, 2023 at 6:00 p.m. Members present when the meeting was called to order were: Todd Kennedy, President; J.C. Sauer, Vice-President; Danielle Bohl, member; Shawn Hoover, member; Justin Taylor, member; and Tyson Wisinger, member. Brock Johnson, member, was absent.

Officials present: Michael Gower, Superintendent; and Angela Thompson, Board Clerk.

Other interested persons: Crystal Laurin, Elementary School Principal; Nathan Strasburg, Middle School Principal; and Todd Bowman, High School Principal.

CALL TO ORDER

Todd Kennedy, President, called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

APPROVAL OF
CONSENT AGENDA

J.C. Sauer moved the consent agenda including March 13, 2023 regular meeting minutes, treasurer's report, and warrants be approved as presented. Danielle Bohl seconded the motion. Motion carried 6-0.

COMMUNICATIONS

None

COMMUNITY PRESENTATIONS
BEFORE THE BOARD

None

REPORT TO THE BOARD
BY THE SUPERINTENDENT

The Superintendent updated the Board on active bills in the Kansas Legislature including SB 113 and SB 83 that if approved will negatively impact public schools.

Mr. Gower presented preliminary changes to the 2023-2024 School Year Calendar to include 6 days with early dismissal for teacher in-service instead of one full day.

Mr. Gower presented bids to replace flooring at the high school with finished concrete. Areas include the circle hallway for \$18,990, the stairs into Newlin gym and locker rooms for \$9,575, and the back locker room hallway for \$8,274. The finished concrete will be more sanitary, easier to maintain, and will last significantly longer than carpet. Following discussion, Todd Kennedy moved the Board accept the flooring replacement bids for the areas stated above from Cutting Edge Concrete totaling \$36,839.00. Shawn Hoover seconded the motion. Motion carried 6-0.

The Superintendent shared a request from the City of Phillipsburg to lease the high school's visitors' bleachers this summer for K18 Baseball. The City will take on all liability for the use of the school's bleachers if approved. The Board requested a written lease agreement from the City for consideration before approval.

Mr. Gower reported on current and upcoming projects. The high school window replacement project and the rooftop unit replacement project will be completed this summer. The district will be accepting bids for a new mower. The high school kitchen's hood vent replacement/repair is still being researched, and an upgrade to the elementary school's elevator is under consideration.

NEW BUSINESS

KASB 2023-2024 DUES AND
LEGAL ASSISTANCE FUND

J.C. Sauer moved the Board authorize payment of \$8,293.13 for the 2023-2024 KASB dues and \$2,750.00 for the KASB Legal Assistance Fund. Tyson Wisinger seconded the motion. Motion carried 6-0. (A copy of the agreement is attached to, and becomes a part of, these official minutes.)

TEXTBOOK/TECHNOLOGY/
PROGRAM SUPPORT FEES

Following discussion, Shawn Hoover moved the Board approve the following Textbook/Technology/Program Support fees: \$40 for elementary and middle school students and \$70 for high school students. No fees will be waived. Justin Taylor seconded the motion. Motion carried 6-0.

SCHOOL LUNCH AND BREAKFAST
PRICES FOR 2023-2024

Following discussion, Todd Kennedy moved to increase the lunch and breakfast prices by \$.05 for the 2023-2024 school year. J.C. Sauer seconded the motion. Motion carried 6-0.

STUDENT ACCIDENT
INSURANCE RENEWAL

Following discussion, Danielle Bohl moved the Board accept the renewal from Health Special Risk, Inc. for student accident insurance for 2023-2024 in the amount of \$13,937.00 with a \$500 per incident deductible. Tyson Wisinger seconded the motion. Motion carried 6-0.

NCKSEC INTERLOCAL
#636 REPORT

Todd Kennedy reported on the recent interlocal meeting.

PERSONNEL

Todd Kennedy moved the Board enter into executive session for a period of 20 minutes, until 6:59 p.m., for the purpose of discussing personnel matters of non-elected personnel, to protect the privacy interests of an identifiable individual(s). Mr. Gower was asked to be present. J.C. Sauer seconded the motion. Motion carried 6-0.

The Board returned to regular session at 6:59 p.m.

Todd Kennedy moved the Board re-enter into executive session for a period of 5 minutes, until 7:05 p.m., for the same purpose as stated above. Mr. Gower was asked to remain. J.C. Sauer seconded the motion. Motion carried 6-0.

The Board returned to regular session at 7:05 p.m.

Todd Kennedy moved the Board re-enter into executive session for a period of 5 minutes, until 7:11 p.m., for the same purpose as stated above. Mr. Gower was asked to remain, and Mrs. Laurin was asked to enter. J.C. Sauer seconded the motion. Motion carried 6-0.

The Board returned to regular session at 7:11 p.m.

Todd Kennedy moved the Board re-enter into executive session for a period of 5 minutes, until 7:17 p.m., for the same purpose as stated above. Mr. Gower and Mrs. Laurin were asked to remain, and Mr. Strasburg was asked to enter. J.C. Sauer seconded the motion. Motion carried 6-0.

The Board returned to regular session at 7:17 p.m. No action taken.

RESIGNATIONS

Shawn Hoover moved the Board accept the following resignations:

Christofer, Hannah – Middle School Teacher effective end of 2022-2023 School Year
Werth, Mindy – Middle School Teacher effective end of 2022-2023 School Year

Danielle Bohl seconded the motion. Motion carried 6-0.

2022-23 TEACHER REVIEW
AND 2023-24 CONTRACTS

Danielle Bohl moved the Board renew certified staff for USD #325 for the 2023-2024 school year as recommended. Tyson Wisinger seconded the motion. Motion carried 6-0. (A list of staff is attached to, and becomes a part of, these official minutes.)

OUT OF DISTRICT REQUESTS
TO ATTEND USD #325

Justin Taylor moved the requests for current students to attend USD 325 for the 2023-2024 school year be approved. Danielle Bohl seconded the motion. Motion carried 6-0. (The list is attached to, and becomes a part of, these official minutes.)

REQUEST FOR USE
OF SCHOOL FACILITIES

Information

ADJOURNMENT

With no further business, President Kennedy adjourned the meeting at 7:19 p.m.

MINUTES APPROVED:

MINUTES RECORDED:

DATE: