

MINUTES  
USD #325 BOARD OF EDUCATION  
THURSDAY, MARCH 10, 2022

The Board of Education of Unified School District #325 met in regular session Thursday, March 10, 2022, at the Administration Building. Members present when the meeting was called to order were: Todd Kennedy, President; Danielle Bohl, member; Brock Johnson, member; Justin Taylor, member; and Tyson Wisinger, member. J.C. Sauer, Vice-President, arrived at 6:03 p.m. Shawn Hoover, member, was absent.

Officials present: Michael Gower, Superintendent; Russ Bowman, Treasurer; and Angela Thompson, Clerk.

Other interested persons: Crystal Laurin, Elementary School Principal; Nathan Strasburg, Middle School Principal; and Terra Keeten, Elementary Teacher.

CALL TO ORDER

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

APPROVAL OF  
CONSENT AGENDA

Brock Johnson moved the consent agenda including February 14, 2022 regular meeting minutes, treasurer’s report, warrants, and items added to the agenda be approved as presented. Justin Taylor seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

COMMUNICATIONS

None

COMMUNITY PRESENTATIONS  
BEFORE THE BOARD

None

REPORT TO THE BOARD BY  
THE SUPERINTENDENT

The Superintendent presented the Concessions Revenue Report. To date, School Concessions has made \$23,309.79 profit with a total of \$21,101.64 returned to the school sponsored organizations who have run the concession stands. The remaining \$2,208.15 has been retained in the concessions account to cover the cost of equipment and supplies including paper products etc.

The Superintendent updated the Board on active bills in the Kansas Legislature that may affect public schools. Mr. Gower also reported that the district will be working with In Focus Education Group for K-12 Social and Emotional Learning next school year. He requested an early release on May 2<sup>nd</sup> to allow for a teacher in-service that afternoon. Following discussion, Todd Kennedy moved the Board approve a 1:30 p.m. dismissal on Monday, May 2, 2022, to allow for an In Focus teacher in-service. Brock Johnson seconded the motion. Motion carried 6-0

Mr. Gower reported on the remaining HVAC rooftop units to be replaced. He further presented the only bid that had been received for the high school window replacement project reminding the Board that the Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief Fund (ESSER) would cover a large amount of the project. He explained that no other companies were interested in bidding since the project also requires construction and is not just the removal and replacement of windows in the same size. Following discussion, Danielle Bohl moved the Board approve the bid from Sisson Pro Installs to replace all windows in the high school for the amount of \$201,774.51, with the project to be completed in 2023. Tyson Wisinger seconded the motion. Motion carried 6-0.

The Superintendent presented an alternative to last month’s proposal to partner with Phillipsburg Child Care Center and relocate the district’s preschool to the Center. The new proposal will keep the district’s preschool housed at Phillipsburg Elementary School, but it will expand to include 3 and 4-year-old At-Risk students. At-Risk funding from the Kansas State Department of Education will allow for the hiring of an additional licensed teacher. Numbers will be limited, so enrollment will not be open to regular education students, just Special Education and At-Risk students. Following discussion, Todd Kennedy moved the Board approve the proposal to expand the preschool at its current location to include 3 and 4-year-old At-Risk students as space and numbers permit. Brock Johnson seconded the motion. Motion carried 6-0.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**DISTRICT GROUNDS  
MOWING BID**

The district mowing bid was received from Robinson Lawn in the amount of \$9,400.00 (estimated). Following discussion, J.C. Sauer moved the Board accept the bid from Robinson Lawn Care for the care of specified school properties as needed. Tyson Wisinger seconded the motion. Motion carried 6-0.

**NCKSEC INTERLOCAL  
#636 REPORT**

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**PERSONNEL**

Todd Kennedy moved the Board enter into executive session for a period of 10 minutes, until 6:56 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, Mrs. Laurin, and Mr. Strasburg were asked to be present. J.C. Sauer seconded the motion. Motion carried 6-0.

The Board returned to regular session at 6:56 p.m.

Todd Kennedy moved the Board re-enter into executive session for a period of 5 minutes, until 7:02 p.m., for the same purpose as stated above. Mr. Gower, Mrs. Laurin, and Mr. Strasburg were asked to remain. J.C. Sauer seconded the motion. Motion carried 6-0.

The Board returned to regular session at 7:02 p.m. No action taken.

**RESIGNATIONS**

J.C. Sauer moved the Board accept the following resignations:

Maydew, Sage – Elementary Teacher effective end of 2021-2022 School Year

Davis, Lauryn – 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> Reading Teacher / MS Volleyball effective end of 2021-2022 School Year

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

**WORK AGREEMENT  
APPROVAL**

Brock Johnson moved the Board approve the following work agreement:

Kuck, Jarrett – High School Custodian effective March 1, 2022

Tyson Wisinger seconded the motion. Motion carried 6-0.

**NEGOTIATIONS**

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**OUT OF DISTRICT REQUESTS TO  
ATTEND USD #325**

Danielle Bohl moved the requests to attend USD #325 be approved as recommended. Justin Taylor seconded the motion. Motion carried 6-0. (A copy of this list is attached to, and becomes a part of, these official minutes.)

**REQUEST FOR USE  
OF SCHOOL FACILITIES**

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**ADJOURNMENT**

With no further business, President Kennedy adjourned the meeting at 7:05 p.m.

MINUTES APPROVED:

MINUTES RECORDED:

DATE: