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MINUTES OF THE REGULAR BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING

Monday, February 8th, 2010
7:00 p.m. – High School Library

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Christopher Pettz, President
Jerrad Webb, Vice-Pres.
Richard Braun
Randy Combs
Mark Goudy
Craig Turrentine
David Whatley

OTHERS PRESENT:

Jon Ansley, Superintendent
Amy DeLaRosa, Elem Principal
Jan Meyers, Deputy Board Clerk
Ty Stelting, Student Representative
Amy Griffin, DTA Representative
Sharon Rott, HS/MS Art teacher
Yolanda Whatley

Call to Order

Christopher Pettz called the meeting to order with the Pledge of Allegiance at 7:00 p.m. on Monday, February 8th, 2010 in the high school library.

Open Forum

Sharon Rott, HS/MS art teacher invited the board to visit the art show being held at the Stauth Museum in Montezuma, KS. Several Deerfield students have art work displayed. Yolanda Whatley spoke during open forum.

Approval of the Meeting Agenda

Randy Combs made the motion to approve the meeting agenda. Richard Braun seconded the motion. The motion passed 7-0.

Approval of the Consent Agenda

Superintendent Ansley corrected the numbers on the financial reports. Randy Combs made the motion to approve the minutes of the regular board meeting on Monday, January 11th, 2010 and the Financial Reports, including the Clerk/Treasurer Report, the check journals 425, 429, and 459, and the Activities Cash Report and check journal 137. Jerrad Webb seconded the motion. The motion passed 7-0.

Communications to the Board

Communications to the board included an e-mail from Gayle Tackett, school nurse, thanking everyone for a successful blood mobile. Superintendent Ansley reported that the men and boys helping with the Groundhog Supper made it go smoothly. Richard Braun thanked Superintendent Ansley for organizing the helpers.

Board Members' Reports

Government Relations – Superintendent Ansley shared a letter on fair funding and also a letter encouraging community members to write to their legislators regarding school finances.

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Deerfield Recreation – Richard Braun reported evaluations had been done for Cindy Crandall, rec director, and a 2% raise was approved for director and staff.

High Plains Educational Cooperative – Craig Turrentine reported business as usual with discussions about budgets.

Student Representative Report

Ty Stelting, Student Representative, reported 75% of the male teachers and students helped at the Groundhog Supper. Scholar's Bowl participated in the regional tournament and took 3rd place; FCCLA is preparing for STAR events, FFA had several students qualify for state competition; and reported on the Forensics meet in Ulysses.

Activities Director Report

Jeff Braun, Activities Director, was not able to attend the meeting due to HS basketball. Superintendent Ansley mentioned the regional basketball tournament will be held in Rolla the week of February 22nd – 27th.

Elementary Principal Building Report

Principal DeLaRosa reported on enrollment being up 8 students and the new families came due to 4-day week; the new food service program is up and running and working very well. Food service billing will now be set up by family accounts instead of individual students, and in an effort to save postage, bills will be sent to the parent's e-mail addresses. She reported on the after school program conference she had attended and has a lot of ideas to keep the program running. There will be a visit from the federal evaluator for the after school program on March 3rd.

MS/HS Principal Building Report

Principal Harness was unable to attend meeting.

Superintendents Review

Superintendent Ansley reported on a grant from Mid-America Nazarene University which will pay for teacher mentoring; all teachers to attend in-service in August; and literacy coaches to work with teachers. The grant also provided for laptops, a computer cart, printer and scanner. Superintendent Ansley discussed the two possible calendars for next year; a job description is being written outlining the requirements for the transportation/maintenance position.

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Investing Idle Funds

Bids for investing idle funds were opened in the district office at 4:00 p.m. on Monday, February 8, 2010. Superintendent Ansley presented the bids to the board. Randy Combs made the motion to approve investing idle funds of \$300,000.00 and \$400,000.00 with Kearny County Bank at the rate of .60% with maturity in May 2010. Richard Braun seconded the motion. The motion passed 7-0.

**Executive Session/
Personnel**

Richard Braun made the motion to go into executive session with Superintendent Ansley and Principal DeLaRosa to discuss personnel matters for non-elected personnel in order to protect the privacy interests of the individual(s) to be discussed for fifteen (15) minutes starting at 7:40 p.m. and that the board will return to open session in this room at 7:55 p.m. Jerrad Webb seconded the motion. The motion passed 7-0.

Richard Braun made the motion to continue executive session to discuss personnel matters for non-elected personnel in order to protect the privacy interests of the individual(s) to be discussed for ten (10) minutes starting at 7:55 p.m. and that the board will return to open session in this room at 8:05 p.m. Jerrad Webb seconded the motion. The motion passed 7-0.

Employment Matters

Jerrad Webb made the motion to approve the substitute teaching list; and a resignation letter from Nancy Harness as Middle School/ High School Principal effective at the end of contract year. Randy Combs seconded the motion. Motion passed 7-0.

**Executive Session/
Negotiations**

Jerrad Webb made the motion to go into executive session with Superintendent Ansley and Principal DeLaRosa for the purpose of discussing matters relating to the employer-employee negotiations whether or not in consultation with the representative or representatives of the body or agency for ten (10) minutes returning to open meeting at 8:20 p.m. The executive session is required to protect the districts right to the confidentiality of its negotiating position, and the public interest. Mark Goudy seconded the motion. The motion passed 7-0.

Jerrad Webb made the motion continue executive session

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with Superintendent Ansley and Principal DeLaRosa for the purpose of discussing matters relating to the employer-employee negotiations whether or not in consultation with the representative or representatives of the body or agency for five (5) minutes returning to open meeting at 8:25 p.m. The executive session is required to protect the districts right to the confidentiality of its negotiating position, and the public interest. Mark Goudy seconded the motion. The motion passed 7-0.

Adjournment

President Pettz adjourned the meeting at 8:27 pm. The next regular meeting of the board of education will be on Monday, March 8th, 2010 at 7:00 pm in the high school library.

Approved this 8th day of March 2010.

President of the Board

Duty Clerk of the Board