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MINUTES OF THE REGULAR BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING

Monday, July 13th, 2009
7:00 p.m. – High School Library

MEMBERS PRESENT:

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

OTHERS PRESENT:

Jon Ansley, Superintendent
Betty Greer, Board Clerk
Amy DeLaRosa, Elementary Principal

Call to Order

President Christopher Pettz called the meeting to order with a Pledge of Allegiance at 7:00 p.m. on Monday, July 13th, 2009 in the high school library.

Open Forum

There were no comments during open forum.

Approval of the Meeting Agenda

Richard Braun requested an addition to the agenda to separate action items concerning employment. Randy Combs made the motion to approve the meeting agenda with additions. Jerrad Webb seconded the motion. Motion passed 7-0.

Election of Board President

Randy Combs nominated Christopher Pettz as Board President. Craig Turrentine seconded the motion. The motion passed 6-1, with Mark Goudy voting against, electing Christopher Pettz as the Board of Education President for the 2009-2010 school year.

Election of Vice-President

Mark Goudy nominated Jerrad Webb as Board Vice-President. Craig Turrentine seconded the motion. The motion passed 4-3, with Randy Combs, Richard Braun, and Christopher Pettz voting against, electing Jerrad Webb as Vice-President for the 2009-2010 school year.

Approval of the Consent Agenda

Jerrad Webb inquired about an expenditure. Randy Combs made the motion to approve the consent agenda with the minutes for the regular board of education meeting on Thursday, June 11th, 2009, the financial reports, as well as the Clerk/Treasurers Report, the Check Journals 656, 790, 3 and 11, plus the MS/HS Activity Cash Report and check journals 124, 126, & 127.

The motion also included these resolutions for:
An annual waiver of requirements for generally accepted accounting principles, GAAP; to name the official newspaper,

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The Lakin Independent, establishing the official depositories for school district funds, and safety deposit box; for bank account signatures, and safety deposit access; for public fund unit authorization for Transfer Transactions; regarding Deerfield USD #216 an equal employment, education opportunity agent statement including Section 504, Rehabilitation Act and Title VI Civil Rights Assurances; authorization for early payment of invoices to avoid penalty (K.S.A. 12-105b (e)); for Accepted Practice for Returned Checks and Non Payment of Fees; establishing Home Rule for district authority; for establishing petty cash amounts for the district office; for establishing the fees for the use of transportation vehicles; for establishing the facility usage fees; for Mandatory Direct Deposit Requirement for All Deerfield USD 216 Employees; for Authorizing the Destruction of Records as per statute; and for Preparing Foods without Peanuts. Mark Goudy seconded the motion. The motion passed 7-0.

Communications to the Board of Education

Communication to the board of education included a letter of resignation from Kristina Younkman as counselor, a thank you note from The Greers', and a compliance letter from Kansas State Department of Education concerning Special Education.

Meeting Date, Times, and Place including School Calendar

Richard Braun read the resolution to establish the regular meeting dates and times including establishing the 2009-2010 school calendar. The meeting dates are the second Monday of the month at 7:00 p.m. in the Deerfield High School Library with an alternative meeting day to be selected when the regular meeting day falls on a holiday and reserves the right to adjourn any regular meeting to another date, time, and place. Jerrad Webb seconded the motion. The motion passed 7-0.

Appointment of Board Members Positions

Christopher Pettz made the motion to appoint Craig Turrentine to the High Plains Educational Cooperative Board and Christopher Pettz as alternate; David Whatley as Governmental Relations Officer; Richard Braun to the Deerfield Recreation Commission Board; Randy Combs to the Site Based Council; Mark Goudy and Jerrad Webb for the Negotiating team for Deerfield USD #216. Mark Goudy seconded the motion. The motion passed 7-0.

Board of Education Appointments

Jerrad Webb made the motion to appoint Betty Greer, as Clerk of the Board; Jan Meyers, as Deputy Clerk, in the absences of the Clerk; Connie Braun as Treasurer of the Board;

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Betty Greer, as KPERS Designated Agent; Jon Ansley, as federal and state reports official; Amy DeLaRosa as Food Service Determining Officer; Jon Ansley as hearing officer for Free and Reduced Meal Applications appeals; Jon Ansley, as district attendance officer; Amy DeLaRosa and the School Resource Officer as K-5th truancy officers and Nancy Harness and the School Resource Officer as 6-12 truancy officers. Jon Ansley as compliance coordinator for federal programs; and Jon Ansley and the board as appeals hearing officer; Jon Ansley as the Coordinator for Homeless Children; Jon Ansley as the Freedom of Information Officer; and Jon Ansley, Deputy Hartman, Jerrad Webb and Mark Goudy as Emergency Preparedness officers. David Whatley seconded the motion. The motion passed 7-0.

**Board Members’
Reports**

Richard Braun reported from government relations concerning the reduction to next years budget and also reported from the Deerfield Recreation Commission about Deerfield Days Celebration.

Craig Turrentine reported from the High Plains Education Cooperative concerning end of the year reports and business as usual.

**Student Handbooks for
09-10 school year**

Principal DeLaRosa made the recommendation with last minute changes to approve the student handbook for the elementary and reported on the four day school committee. Superintendent Ansley discussed issues with the middle school/high school student handbook and wanted teacher input before recommending changes. Jerrad Webb made the motion to approve the Elementary Student Handbook with changes. Randy Combs seconded the motion. The motion passed 7-0.

**Superintendent’s
Review**

Superintendent Ansley reported that the Community Learning Center is under way; the board retreat is planned for Wednesday, August 5th, at 7 pm; next year’s budget cuts to reflect \$4218 BSAPP; policy changes as recommended from KASB; vocational numbers are down and a program review is needed; personnel recommendation; contracting with SWPRSC for counseling services in lieu of hiring a full time counselor; a salary increase for all employees reflecting 1.5% increase; payroll/leave software discussed and tabled for more study; back to school picnic is scheduled for Saturday, August 8th in the city park and a preliminary budget was presented and budget hearing set.

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Adoption of New Board Policies and Rescinding Prior Year Policies

Randy Combs made the motion to approve the new policies, rescind prior year policies as recommended from KASB and update handbooks. Mark Goudy seconded the motion. The motion passed 7-0.

Milk Bid

Jerrad Webb made the motion to approve the Hiland Dairy Milk Bid for 09-10 school year. Randy Combs seconded the motion. The motion passed 7-0.

SOS Agreement

Superintendent Ansley recommended the agreement with Sandhill Orthopaedic and Sports Medicine in the amount of \$2,300 for the 2009-2010 school year. Mark Goudy made the motion. David Whatley seconded the motion. The motion passed 7-0.

Investing Idle Funds

Bids for investing idle funds were opened in the district office at 4:00 p.m. on Monday, July 13th, 2009. Superintendent Ansley presented the bids to the board. Richard Braun made the motion to approve investing idle funds of \$400,000 with Plains State Bank at the 120-day CD simple interest rate of 2.90% with maturity in November 2009 and to give administrative rule for the investment of a CD coming out later in the month. Randy Combs seconded the motion. The motion passed 7-0.

**Executive Session/
Personnel**

Jerrad Webb made the motion to go into executive session with Superintendent Ansley 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 8:35 p.m. and that the board returned to open session in this room at 8:50 p.m. Mark Goudy seconded the motion. The motion passed 7-0.

Employment Matters

Jerrad Webb made the motion to accept the resignation from Kristina Younkman, as counselor; to approve the contract offer to Robert Paxton, HS Math, the contract offer to Chuck Neuschafer, MS Math; and a half time certified position to Anna McElroy at \$13,525.

Administrative Contracts amounts for the 2009-2010 school year to Jonathan Ansley, Superintendent of Schools, \$84,400; Amy DeLaRosa, Elementary Principal, \$58,870; Nancy Harness, MS/HS Principal, \$60,900; and Betty Greer, Board Clerk, \$43,128.

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Salaried Employment at will to Regine Eslinger, Family Learning Center Coordinator, \$38,570; Foustino Rosales, Family Literacy Coordinator, \$29,435; Gayle Tackett, School Nurse, \$37,555; Carlene Moore, HS Secretary, \$30,450; and Valentin Herrera, Head Custodian, \$27,405; Hourly Employment at will positions for the district office include Jan Meyers; for transportation include Lance Carter until the end of July, Gene Slate, Mary Rich, Irma Infante, and Ken Smith; for Para-educator include Amy Browning, Nancy Chavira, Linda Harris, Lois Hubbard, Tracy James, Claudia Lozano, Lupe Longoria, Angela Moore, Aggie Solis, and Shirley Warden; for Building Secretaries include Laurel Horton, and Morgan Butteris; for custodian include Jose Infante, Irma Infante, Ramona Lopez, and Ovanda Partridge; for Daycare include Shawna Jury and Cindy Skipper; and for food service include Martha Gonzalez, Nancy Hernandez, Guadalupe Herrera, and Rebecca Kinyon. Randy Combs seconded the motion. The motion passed 7-0.

Richard Braun left the room.

Jerrad Webb made the motion to approve the supplemental contract offer to Jeff Braun as MS/HS Activities Director, the Salaried Employment at will positions to Jeff Braun as the TRC Coordinator at \$25,375; and the Employment at will positions for the district office to Connie Braun. Randy Combs seconded the motion. The motion passed 6-0.

Richard Braun returned to the meeting.

**Executive Session/
Negotiations**

Jerrad Webb made the motion to go into executive session with Superintendent Ansley 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 9:00 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. The board negotiating team is Jerrad Webb and Mark Goudy.

**Ratification of the
Negotiated Agreement
for 2009-2010**

Mark Goudy made the motion to ratify the negotiated agreement with the Deerfield Teachers' Association for the 2009-2010 School year. The changes to the Negotiated

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Agreement include step movement down for experience and step movement across for college credit with an additional \$70/month added to the group health insurance benefit totaling \$387 per month bringing the salary increase to 1.5% excluding the increase to the health insurance benefit. Randy Combs seconded the motion. The motion passed 7-0.

Adjournment

President Pettz adjourned the meeting at 9:05 p.m. The next meeting of the board of education will be on Monday, August 10th, 2009 at 6:30 pm with the Budget Hearing and regular board of education meeting following at 7:00 pm in the high school library. A special board of education meeting will be Wednesday, August 5th, 2009 at the Deerfield Community Center.

Approved this 10th day of August 2009

President of the Board

Clerk of the Board