

Minutes

REGULAR Board of Education Meeting Unified School District No. 473, Chapman, KS 67431

January 14, 2019



Dr. Todd Frieze, Board President, convened the Regular meeting of the Board of Education of USD 473, Chapman, on Monday, January 14, 2019 at 7:00 pm at the Education Center, located at 822 N. Marshall, Chapman, KS 67431

Other Board Members Present: Kelly Kuntz - Vice President, Mitch Langvardt, Lara Strauss, Brian Rock, Mike Rutz and Dr. Robert Haynes

Others Present: Jerry Hodson – Superintendent, Michele Sutter – Board Clerk

Kara Spittles, Cheri Simpson, Nicole Spellman, Josslyn DePew, Jill Martinson, Rex Craig, Heath Gfeller, Clara Gfeller, Trent Horn, Clint Merritt, Syriana Olson, Lindsey Olson, Zaidyn Olson, Brynlie Olson, Steve Marston, Kelli Marston, Kate Thornton, Andrew Olson, Kevin Suther, Amy Jones, Corey Jones, Lawson Jones, Susan Harris, Cory Willmann, Becky Willmann, Karson Craig, Cady Marston, Elyssa Frieze, Susan Frieze, Hayley Briggs, Amy Briggs, Michelle Elliott, Lisa Seirer, Stephanie Holloway, Afton Diehl

Dr. Frieze, Board President, asked that before we adopt the Agenda, that we take a moment to recognize the passing of former school employee, Sue Hall – who worked in our school libraries. Her husband Rick is our Buildings and Grounds Supervisor and their son Michael, is a High School Senior. Dr. Frieze mentioned they are a family who has been in our school district for many years and that Sue had just passed away from cancer after battling the disease for many years. He asked that we all keep the family in our thoughts and prayers.

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Bob Haynes made a motion to amend and adopt the agenda to add an Out-of-District Action Item. He asked this be the new #9 and all items after would renumber in order. Kelly Kuntz seconded the motion to amend and adopt the agenda; motion carried 7-0.

Mrs. Lisa Seirer and Mrs. Nicole Spellman, along with several students from Blue Ridge Elementary, updated the Board on some things they've been doing this school year, which includes their "Global Read Aloud 2018" program. The students are Canadian "pen pals" with a classroom in Ontario that they partner with. The book they are reading together is "A Boy Called Bat" by Elana K. Arnold. Mrs. Spellman shared that Alan Clark Body Shop in Manhattan, KS purchased the books for all the Blue Ridge children so that every student could have their own copy. Each student told the Board many things about this experience and all the fun they are having. Mrs. Seirer learned about this activity through a Global Read Aloud Facebook page and knew it would be a fun and learning experience for the students at Blue Ridge Elementary.

Michelle Elliott brought some students from the Middle School to share some things taking place that involve the CMS Leadership Group. Lawson Jones explained how you get to be on a Leadership Group. Elyssa Frieze spoke about the different student activities that have taken place this year that the group has planned and showed several pictures of all the fun things they've done. Hayley Briggs talked about their community service activities for the year.

Mike Rutz made a motion to approve the board minutes from the regular December 10, 2018 as well as the minutes from the special December 13, 2018 board meetings. Lara Strauss seconded the motion; motion carried 7-0.

Brian Rock made a motion to approve the financial reports that were presented to the board. Bob Haynes seconded the motion; motion carried 7-0.

Kelly Kuntz made a motion to approve the payment of the bills that were presented to the board. Mike Rutz seconded the motion; motion carried 7-0.

Regular Bills - \$360,661.77
Early Bills - \$301,153.60
Total - \$661,815.37

There were no "agenda items" or "non-agenda items" for public communications.

Kelly Kuntz made a motion to approve the Out-of-District request of Carter Shartzter to Wee Clovers Preschool (Pre-4). Brian Rock seconded the motion; motion carried 7-0.

Mike Rutz made a motion to accept an anonymous donation for over-due lunch accounts at the Chapman High School in the amount of \$1,580.00 as well as the Knights of Columbus donation to our Special Ed teachers in the amount of \$680.00. Kelly Kuntz seconded the motion; motion carried 7-0.

Bob Haynes made a motion to approve the proposed 2019-2020 school calendar that was presented to the Board. Brian Rock seconded the motion; motion carried 7-0. (Option #2 approved)

Jerry Hodson presented certificates to all seven Board members thanking them for their service to our staff and students of USD 473 and their willingness to serve. January is Board Recognition/Appreciation Month in Kansas.

Todd Frieze had to step out at 7:47 pm to take a call. He was back in at 7:49 pm.

Brian Rock made the motion to extend Superintendent Hodson's contract for a year. Kelly Kuntz seconded the motion; motion carried 5-2. (Langvardt, Strauss)

Jerry talked about the December 2018 Policy Updates that KASB released last month. He said it was his recommendation that we adopt them all. Lara Strauss made the motion to approve the policy updates. Mike Rutz seconded the motion; motion carried 7-0.

Bob Haynes made the motion to move the Middle School promotion date from May 20, 2019 to May 16, 2019. Brian Rock seconded the motion; motion carried 7-0. The Board stated that Dr. Frieze and Mike Rutz would hand out the MS certificates.

Todd Frieze had to step out at 7:56 pm to take a call. He was back in at 7:58 pm.

Kevin Suther, Kate Thornton and Clint Merritt presented the Drug Testing Policy they have been working on with KASB. It is still a work in progress but they are proposing Random Drug Testing for the High School athletes and all KSHSAA sponsored activities using a hair sample known as Psychemedic Hair Testing. They will be finishing up their proposal and will present to the Board in March for an adoption. Mike Rutz made the motion to allow Administration to continue to develop the Drug Testing Policy for Chapman High School to gather information and to present it back to the Board of Education at the March meeting. Mitch Langvardt seconded the motion; motion carried 7-0.

Kelly Kuntz made a motion for the Board to go into Executive Session for (10) minutes in order to discuss Personnel items pursuant to non-elected personnel exception under KOMA and the Open Meeting will resume in the Board Room at 9:01 pm. Mike Rutz seconded the motion; motion carried 7-0. Superintendent Hodson was invited into the session.

The Board was back in open session at 9:01 pm.


Brian Rock made a motion to approve the resignation of Amy Hayes, CES Head Secretary and also the new assignment of Lisa Seirer to move from a long term substitute to a full-time contracted employee for the remainder of the school year. Lara Strauss seconded the motion; motion carried 7-0.

Kelly Kuntz made a motion to adjourn. Brian Rock seconded the motion; motion carried 7-0.

Meeting Adjourned – 9:02 pm



Michele Sutter – Board Clerk



Dr. Todd Frieze – Board President