

Minutes

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

March 18, 2019



The Board held a work session at 6:00 pm before the regularly scheduled meeting to discuss the Capital Outlay needs for the 2019-20 school year. Jerry gave the BOE a potential outline of expenditures for the next (5) years explaining that the needs far outweigh the available funds and wanted them to see the breakdown. He told them the HVAC needs in the District are his #1 priority and invited Darrin Volkman from KVK to explain the needs of the District, especially the in-town schools. Other items that were touched upon were our roofs, buses, district vehicles and shop needs, technology items, music instruments, band uniforms and a new track.

This work session took us right up to the time of the meeting, followed by a brief break for the Board.

Dr. Todd Frieze, Board President, convened the Regular meeting of the Board of Education of USD 473, Chapman, on Monday, March 18, 2019 at 7:11 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, Mike Rutz and Dr. Robert Haynes (Brian Rock was absent)

Others Present: Jerry Hodson – Superintendent, Michele Sutter – Board Clerk
Cheri Simpson, Kara Spittles, Clint Merritt, Trent Horn, Kevin Suther, Lois Baier, Rita Hinck, Kyle Cook, Bob Diehl, Joan Atkinson, Joshua Smith, Kate Thornton, Afton Diehl and Michael Diehl

Kelly Kuntz made a motion to adopt the agenda. Mike Rutz seconded the motion; motion carried 6-0.

Lara Strauss made a motion to approve the minutes as presented from the regular February 11th, 2019 BOE meeting. Bob Haynes seconded the motion; motion carried 6-0.

Kelly Kuntz made a motion to approve all the financial reports as presented in Dropbox. Lara Strauss seconded the motion; motion carried 6-0.

Bob Haynes made the motion to approve payment of the bills as presented:

Regular Bills - \$86,519.02

Early Bills - \$92,246.33

Total - \$178,765.35

Mike Rutz seconded the motion; motion carried 6-0.

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

Old Business:

The Board discussed the information that was presented to them in Dropbox after all the results were calculated from their Self-Evaluation Tool worksheet. Individual comments that were made on the evaluations were e-mailed to each Board member separately and were not loaded in Dropbox as a privacy matter.

New Business:

Bob Haynes made the motion to approve the handbooks as presented from CMS and the Elementary handbook for the 2019-20 school year. Lara Strauss seconded the motion; motion carried 6-0.

Mitch Langvardt made the motion to approve the new CHS Drug Testing Policy that was presented to the Board. Mike Rutz seconded the motion; motion carried 6-0.

Jerry shared information with the Board regarding the “Check-Off Program”. He explained this was something the State of Kansas set up that provides each Kansas taxpayer the opportunity to designate an amount of their income tax return as a donation to a Kansas school district. He explained how it could not be used for teacher supplies but could be used for things like when we bus the outlying schools in to CHS to see a play. This was only a Discussion item and no action was required or taken.

Mike Rutz made the motion to have Kelly Kuntz and Bob Haynes be the Board representatives at the CHS High School Graduation on May 19th. Mitch Langvardt seconded the motion; motion carried 6-0.

Jerry requested an Executive Session be added in now before agenda line item #12 for Personnel items before beginning the personnel matters of the agenda. Kelly Kuntz made the motion to go into Executive Session in the conference room for (5) 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 7:50 pm. Lara Strauss seconded the motion; motion carried 6-0. Jerry Hodson was invited into the session.

The Board returned to open session at 7:50 pm.

Mike Rutz made the motion to approve the resignations and new hires/new assignments as presented to the Board. They are:

Resignations:

1. Alexandra Cuadra – CMS Asst. Volleyball Coach
2. Nick Evans – CHS & BR PE and CHS Head Girls Basketball Coach

New Hires & New Assignments:

1. Afton Diehl – Transfer from Asst. CMS Track Coach to Co-Head CMS Track Coach
2. Gareth Hoffman – CMS Asst. Track Coach
3. Krys Burks – CHS Asst. Cook
4. Randy Schumock – Enterprise Elementary Custodian

Bob Haynes seconded the motion; 6-0.

Mike Rutz made a motion to go into Executive Session in the conference room 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 8:03 pm. Kelly Kuntz seconded the motion; motion carried 6-0. Jerry Hodson was invited into the session.

The Board returned to open session at 8:03 pm.

Mike Rutz made a motion to approve renewal for the following Administrators, Lead Teacher and the Directors/Supervisors for an additional year. Kelly Kuntz seconded the motion; motion carried 6-0. They are as follows:

Administrators:

1. Kevin Suther – CHS Principal
2. Kate Thornton – CHS Asst. Principal
3. Clint Merritt – District Athletic Director
4. Kara Spittles – Principal for Enterprise and Blue Ridge Elementaries
5. Rita Hink – CES Principal

Lead Teacher:

1. Cheri Simpson – Rural Center Elementary Lead Teacher

Directors & Supervisors:

1. Andrea Koster
2. Randy Heller
3. Kyle Cook
4. Rick Hall
5. Tara Tiernan
6. Carla Travelute

Bob Haynes made a motion to go into executive session for (10) minutes in order to discuss negotiations pursuant to the exception for employer/employee negotiations under KOMA and the open meeting will resume in the board room at 8:16 pm. Kelly Kuntz seconded the motion; motion carried 6-0. Jerry Hodson was invited into the session.

The Board returned to open session at 8:16 pm.

Mike Rutz made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Kelly Kuntz seconded the motion; motion carried 6-0.

Meeting adjourned – 8:17 pm.


Michele Sutter – Board Clerk


Dr. Todd Frieze – Board President