

Minutes
Regular Board of Education Meeting (Zoom)
Unified School District No. 473, Chapman, KS 67431

December 14, 2020



Bob Haynes, Board President, convened the *Regular* meeting of the Board of Education of USD 473, Chapman, KS on Monday, December 14, 2020 at 7:00 pm via Zoom.

Other Board Members Present: Brenda Edleston, Kelly Kuntz, Jerry Wright, Brian Rock, Todd Frieze and Mike Rutz

Also Present: Jerry Hodson – Superintendent, Michele Sutter – Board Clerk
Kyle Cook, Tara Tiernan, Cheri Simpson, Clint Merritt, Mary Wright, Kevin Suther, Rita Hinck, Afton Diehl and April Swartz from Varney & Associates

Mike Rutz made a motion to add an Executive Session for Personnel as Item #9 and then to adopt the Agenda. Brenda Edleston seconded the motion; motion carried 7-0.

Jerry Wright made the motion to approve the Consent Agenda as listed. Brenda Edleston seconded the motion; motion carried 7-0.

Consent Agenda - A

- A. Approve Minutes from the Regular November 9th and Special December 1st Meetings
- B. Financial reports
 - Treasurer's Reports
 - Food Service Report
 - Petty Cash Reports
- C. Payment of Bills
 - Regular Bills - \$ 151,222.76
 - Bills Paid Early - \$ 19,005.10
 - TOTAL - \$ 170,227.86

April Swartz from Varney & Associates gave an overview of their audit they conducted this fall of our 2019 financial records. Both she and Jerry agreed the process went very smoothly. This was their 1st year as our auditing firm due to Mize Houser and Associates deciding to no longer audit school districts. Varney took over most of their clientele. She reported that there were no cash violations and that no funds exceeded our budget. We had no violations at all.

Kelly Kuntz made the motion to approve the presented list of early graduates pending successful completion of all requirements. Brian Rock seconded the motion; motion carried 7-0.

William Kenneth Anderson, Hannah Cook, Ann Evans and Emma Stein

Mike Rutz made the motion to accept the bid from Hellas Construction for the Track Project at \$725,000, with the understanding the final cost could come in under that amount. Jerry Wright seconded the motion; motion carried 7-0.

Covid update: Jerry said he and Tara and Jodi have been working on getting a dashboard added to the district website showing the number of Covid cases we have. It will update every Monday and Friday. It's located on the USD 473 website.

The Board discussed with Jerry several scenarios and Jerry feels confident that if Dr. Holmes has to do this again, it will no longer be a recommendation only to the County schools and he will just shut down the District or County, period. If we don't reconvene face-to-face on January 4th, that will likely mean numbers have risen greatly and this time, Dr. Holmes will do a mandatory closing and we will have no say in it.

Kelly did request and Brenda agreed, that if we have to close again the Board feels there needs to be a meeting with them prior to the shutdown and announcement. Even if it's on a weekend, or even if it can only be a Zoom meeting, they would like to meet before that action takes place.

Mike Rutz made the motion to approve the personnel items that were presented. Jerry Wright seconded the motion; motion carried 7-0.

Resignations

- 1. Michelle Roberts – CES Supervisory Aide**

New Hires

- 1. Marlo Klassen- Administrative Substitute for Afton Diehl at Blue Ridge and Enterprise Elementaries**
- 2. Joseph Raat – CMS Boys Basketball Assistant Coach**

Mike Rutz made the motion to go into Executive Session at 8:21 pm for 20 minutes in order to discuss Personnel items pursuant to non-elected personnel exception under KOMA and the open meeting will resume via Zoom at 8:41 pm. Brenda Edleston seconded the motion; motion carried 7-0.

The Board returned to open session at 8:41 pm.

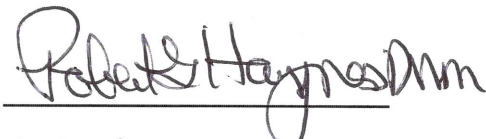
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Kelly Kuntz made the motion to adjourn. Brian Rock seconded the motion; motion carried 7-0.

Meeting adjourned at 8:42 pm.



Michele Sutton, Board Clerk



Dr. Robert Haynes, Board President