

Minutes - DRAFT; Pending BOE Approval

***Regular* - Board of Education Meeting
Unified School District No. 473, Chapman, KS 67431**

January 10, 2022

Brenda Edleston, Board President, convened the *Regular* meeting of the Board of Education on Monday, January 10, 2022 at 7:00 pm at the Education Center.

Other Board Members Present: Todd Frieze, Kelly Kuntz, Mike Rutz and Betsy Edwards

**Also Present: Kevin Suther - Superintendent and Michele Sutter - Clerk of the Board
Mary Wright, Cheri Simpson, Afton Diehl, Rita Hinck, Tara Tiernan, Brittany Phillips, April Swartz, Jamie Bonnema, Amber Audy, Alyson Hinck and Clint Merritt**

(Guests introduced themselves)

Kelly Kuntz made the motion to amend and then adopt the agenda by removing the 5.11 Executive Session for Legal and adding a Resignation under Personnel. Mike Rutz seconded the motion; motion carried 5-0.

Mike Rutz made the motion to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Kelly Kuntz seconded the motion; motion carried 5-0.

- 3.01 - Approve the Minutes from the Regular December 13, 2021 Meeting
- 3.02 - Financial Reports: Treasurer, Food Service, Petty Cash
- 3.03 - Payment of Bills: Regular, Bills Paid Early
- 3.04 - Out of District Requests
- 3.05 - In-District Transfer Requests
 - 1. Hope Hinkson - K (from CES to ENT)
 - 2. Jayden Hinkson - 3rd (from CES to ENT)
 - 3. Rayne Lucas - 3rd (from CES to BR)
- 3.06 - Public Participation

OLD BUSINESS:

COVID Protocols were discussed at length. Nurse Tara Tiernan presented numbers to the Board involving staff and students. This included the amount of positive cases and quarantines. She also reported that there have been almost no school transmissions, only household transmission. Brenda Edleston made the motion to modify our COVID guidelines by starting the count as the day you test positive, then the next day begins as day #1 and you are out 5 days. If your symptoms are resolving and fever free for 24 hours without medicine, you may return to school after those 5 days but must continue to wear a mask for an additional 5 days. Also, if any school's number rise to 10% for being positive in that building, that building will go to temporarily wearing masks for a minimum of 2 weeks. Each school will continue to do extra cleaning of the building and be diligent about social distancing. If a student is an athlete or involved with extracurricular activities, there will be some options to test the day of the event as a close contact scenario. The updated changes will go into place immediately. Todd Frieze seconded this motion; motion carried 5-0.

Superintendent Suther explained that the Calendar Committee met and came up with 2 choices for the Teachers to vote on and the winner was Option #1, which will keep the 1st day of school and the last day of school with 1:00 pm dismissals. This action needs Board approval. Mike Rutz made the motion to approve the 2022-23 calendar option. Kelly Kuntz seconded the motion; motion carried 5-0.

Brenda Edleston and Superintendent Suther explained the proposed Superintendent Evaluation Tool to the Board and were requesting to adopt the tool and timeline. Kelly Kuntz made the motion to adopt the new tool with Mike Rutz seconding the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

NEW BUSINESS:

Amber Audy, Blue Ridge 5th Grade Teacher, along with a couple of students, updated the Board with their latest food drive for the Abilene Food Bank.

April Swartz, representing Varney & Associates, went over the their findings of the District's latest audit. She reported there were no findings or concerns with the District's financial records. Mike Rutz asked if they looked at

Spark and ESSER funds and April said they will look at ESSER III next year.

Athletic Director, Clint Merritt, gave the Board a recap of this year's winter's sporting programs highlighting many successes and victories.

Mike Rutz made a motion to adopt the "Resolution to Establish Election of School Board Officers" at its first meeting of the Board of Education in July, 2022. Todd Frieze seconded the motion; motion carried 5-0.

Kelly Kuntz made the motion to approve the (2) donations that were presented to the Board. Mike Rutz seconded the motion; motion carried 5-0.

1. To Enterprise Elementary from the Sarah & Jeremy Hoffman Educational Trust Endowment - \$1,160.00
1. To the CHS Vo Ag Program from Prairie Land Partners - \$1,000.00

Kelly Kuntz made the motion to dispose or sell the list of surplus items that was presented to the Board. Todd Frieze seconded the motion; motion carried 5-0.

KASB released their December Policy Updates for review and adoption. Superintendent Suther recommended to the Board that we adopt them all, which are just revisions to current policies. Mike Rutz made the motion to adopt the policy updates. Kelly Kuntz seconded the motion; motion carried 5-0.

Superintendent Suther received a request for early graduation. After review, he determined that the senior had met all the requirements for graduation and was in good standing. Therefore, he is recommending the Board approve the request. Kelly Kuntz made the motion to approve the request for early graduation. Todd Frieze seconded the motion; motion carried 5-0.

Kelly Kuntz made a motion to approve the Early Retirement Request from Susan Pearson, Chapman Elementary 1st Grade and the Resignation of Vic Garcia, CHS Asst. Baseball Coach. Mike Rutz seconded the motion; motion carried 5-0.

JANUARY IS SCHOOL BOARD RECOGNITION MONTH

Superintendent Suther handed out certificates to all Board members and thanked them for everything they do for our District. Their efforts do not go unnoticed and we are very grateful to them for all their hard work. When you see a Board Member, please take the time to thank them for doing what is BEST for all kids.

Kelly Kuntz made the motion to adjourn. Mike Rutz seconded the motion; motion carried 5-0.

Meeting adjourned at 8:28 pm.

Brenda Edleston, Board President

Michele Sutter, Board Clerk