

Minutes

Regular Meeting of the Board of Education Unified School District No. 473, Chapman, KS

January 9, 2023

Brenda Edleston, School Board President, called the Regular meeting of the Board of Education to order at 7:07 pm at the Education Center located at 822 N. Marshall, Chapman, KS.

Board Members Present: Vice-President Brian Rock, Jerry Wright, Betsy Edwards, Mike Rutz, Kelly Kuntz and Todd Frieze

Also Present: Kevin Suther - Superintendent, Michele Sutter - Board Clerk, Kyle Cook - District Technology Director, Cheri Simpson, Campbell Stoffer, Erin Bell, Cory Keller, Afton Diehl, Amy Briggs, Hayley Briggs, Allie Chestnut, Kate Thornton, Lindsey Olson, Brynlie Olson, Brenda Lemon, Lacy Beyer, Rita Hinck, Jamey Dalke, Marc Riegel, Andrew Laughlin, Adaline Laughlin, Jamie Bonnema and Stacy Smiley

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

Jerry Wright made the motion to approve the consent agenda. Betsy Edwards seconded the motion; motion carried 7-0.

- 3.01 Approve the Minutes from the Regular December 12th, 2022 BOE Meeting and the Special December 18th, 2022 BOE Meeting
- 3.02 Financial Reports: Treasurer, Food Service, Petty Cash
- 3.03 Payment of Bills
- 3.04 Public Participation

SCHOOL PRESENTATIONS

Erin Bell, who teaches PE at Blue Ridge Elementary and also Enterprise Elementary, brought several students to show the Board their cup stacking exercise they have been working on and also showed a small video and also a PowerPoint on the benefits of this exercise. She shared that she currently sees 158 kids every day in grades K-5. The following students performed the exercise:

- Kennedy Beyer, grade K**
- Ryle Langvardt, grade K**
- Campbell Stoffer, grade 2**
- Finn Keller, grade 3**

Jones Hall, grade 5

Brynlie Olson, grade 5

Hailey Briggs, a 10th grade student at Chapman High School, talked about her FCCLA student project this year, literacy pouches. The project is called, "Stronger Families, Stronger Family Literacy Skills". She shared about her passion for reading to children and how important it is. The pouches may be picked up at the Chapman Library, the Irish Den or Chapman Food Mart. They are FREE and are highly encouraged for your Elementary children.

Brenda Lemon, Allie Chestnut and Jamey Dalke all presented on the new IPS (Individual Plan of Studies) that is beginning in grades 6th - 12th in the District this year. This IPS helps students choose classes for CHS based off of their individual interests. This will become an individual website, that is private, and it will help their accomplishments be streamlined and will also help them when applying for scholarships. It's a professional digital portfolio. The goal is for every student in Grades 6-12 to have their own website created. Each ePortfolio is individualized and the students can make it their own. You can put your accomplishments on, pictures and even videos you'd like to showcase on a professional level. You may put a writing assignment on to show your skills in literacy. You can put your ACT scores and your state assessment scores on if you wish. This ePortfolio gets updated three times a year. By the time the students are Seniors, they should have their website completed. This is a scrapbook of their accomplishments they can eventually show an employer to say, "Hey, employee me!"

OLD BUSINESS

Superintendent Suther shared that the (2) calendar options that were presented and OK'd by the Board last month were given to the teachers to vote on. The teachers voted for Option A with a 75% margin. Kelly Kuntz made the motion to approve the 2023-2024 calendar as presented. Mike Rutz seconded the motion; motion carried 7-0.

NEW BUSINESS

Marc Riegel, Andrew Laughlin and Adeline Laughlin, who is a Chapman Middle School 7th grader, presented to the Board about disc golf and their plans for it in Chapman. They said it's a 3-phase project to get disc golf into the community.

Phase 1 - A 9 hole/short course was put into the city park next to the pool.

Phase 2 - They would like to get discs and baskets into the hands of all USD 473 students through our District PE programs. Marc shared they have raised enough money to purchase discs and baskets for all (6) schools to be used during PE class.

Phase 3 - They are working closely with the City of Chapman in order to put a

large disc golf course in the property behind DK Sports and Dollar General since this property cannot be developed due to it being in a flood plain. Marc shared they are really excited to bring disc golf to the community. Currently there are 9,000 courses in the United States and the sport is exploding and adding more all the time. Emporia, KS hosts the "Worlds" for this sport, the championships.

Betsy Edwards made the motion to accept the donation of disc golf equipment for all (6) schools for the PE classes. Jerry Wright seconded the motion; motion carried 7-0.

Brenda Edleston made the motion to keep the Board Negotiation Team together. Todd Frieze seconded the motion; motion carried 7-0.

***** The Team for the 2023-24 year will be: Brenda Edleston, Kelly Kuntz and Jerry Wright *****

January is School Board recognition month. Superintendent Suther presented the (7) members of the Board of Education a Certificate and thanked them for their service to the students of USD 473. Our Board includes:

Brenda Edleston - Board President; District 1, Position 1

Brian Rock - Vice President; District 3, Position 3

Todd Frieze - At Large

Kelly Kuntz - District 1, Position 4

Mike Rutz - District 3, Position 6

Jerry Wright - District 2, Position 2

Betsy Edwards - District 2, Position 5

Brian Rock made the motion for the Board to go into Executive Session for (15) 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 8:35 pm. Jerry Wright seconded the motion; motion carried 7-0.

(The Board returned to open session at 8:35 pm)

Brenda Edleston made the motion for the Board to go into Executive Session 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 8:40 pm. Superintendent Suther was invited into the session. Brian Rock seconded the motion; motion carried 7-0.

(The Board returned to open session at 8:40 pm)

Brian Rock made the motion to extend Superintendent's Suther's contract for another year, which extends him through June 30, 2025. Betsy Edwards seconded the motion; motion carried 7-0.

There were no personnel changes this month.

Mike Rutz made the motion to adjourn. Betsy Edwards seconded the motion; motion carried 7-0.

Meeting Adjourned - 8:42 pm

Brenda Edleston, Board President

Michele Sutter, Board Clerk