



OFFICIAL MINUTES  
ROYAL VALLEY USD #337  
BOARD OF EDUCATION  
Monday, January 23, 2023

A REGULAR MEETING of the Board of Education, Unified School District No. 337, Jackson County, Kansas, was held on **Monday, January 23, 2023** at the District Office, 101 W. Main, Mayetta, KS 66509, at 7:00 PM.

## ATTENDANCE

Cindy Broxterman: Present  
Ann Kelly: Present  
Kelli Lambrecht: Present  
Joe Mitchell: Present  
Boone Smith: Present  
Pat Tuck: Absent  
Adele Wahwassuck: Present

Pat Tuck was absent with prior notice. Others present were Aaric Davis - Superintendent, Noah Slay - Director of Curriculum and Instruction, Cassandra Geis - RVHS Principal, David Schooler - RVHS Assistant Principal/Athletic Director, Sherri Schulte - Board Clerk, Ali Holcomb - Holton Recorder, and Will Robinson - Parent.

## MINUTES

### 1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

#### 1.1. Roll Call

**Discussion:**

#### 1.2. Adoption of Meeting Agenda

**Action(s):**

Move to adopt the meeting agenda adding Consider Approval of Contract with TerraCon to Section 6 Official Action Items. This motion, made by Kelli Lambrecht and seconded by Ann Kelly, Carried.

**Voting Summary:** Yea: 6, Nay: 0, Absent: 1

### 2. CONSENT ITEMS

**Action(s):**

Move to approve consent items as presented. This motion, made by Cindy Broxterman and seconded by Kelli Lambrecht, Carried.

**Voting Summary:** Yea: 6, Nay: 0, Absent: 1

#### 2.1. Approval of Minutes from Previous Meeting

**Discussion:**

Minutes from the January 9, 2023, regular Board meeting were approved.

2.2. Approval of Blue Cross Blue Shield Healthy Habits Grant

**Discussion:**

The Board approved the Blue Cross Blue Shield Healthy Habits Grant awarded to Mara Chapman, RVMS PE teacher, in the amount of \$1,000.00. Ms. Chapman will use the grant to purchase PE equipment.

3. **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

3.1. Public Comment

**Discussion:**

- Mr. Davis thanked the Board members and passed out certificates recognizing them for their service.
- There were no public comments.

4. **BOARD TOPICS**

4.1. Board Discussion Items for Future Consideration

**Discussion:**

- Ms. Lambrecht requested a progress update on the playground. She also mentioned that it was fun to see how excited the RVES students became when they were recognized for meeting attendance goals.
- Ms. Wahwassuck spoke about the handicapped seating in the high school gym. A patron has asked that the handicapped section be moved. In the current location, other spectators frequently stand in front of those who need to use the seating.
- Mr. Smith said that the Native American Singers and Dancers performance during the Panther Classic was fantastic. He also requested an update on the construction project and information on the backed up sewer line under the elementary playground.

4.2. Legislative Update

**Discussion:**

Mr. Davis provided information on topics in the State Legislature that could impact the district, including the possibility of increased funding in line with the Gannon lawsuit, funding for special education services, and athletic program participation.

4.3. Distribute the KASB December 2022 Recommended Policy Packet

**Discussion:**

Mr. Davis shared the KASB recommended policy changes. He will go over these changes with the administrative team and present their feedback to the Board in February.

4.4. Hear Plan for Financial Accounting for Impact Aid Revenue

**Discussion:**

Mr. Davis plans to create a new fund to track Impact Aid payments and expenditures. This will allow a better separation between the parent committee recommended expenses and district expenses. Discussion followed.

5. **RECEIVE REPORTS AND REQUESTS**

5.1. Receive 2021-22 Audit Report from Varney & Associates

**Discussion:** Mr. Davis read the memo from Varney & Associates summarizing their findings from the 2021-22 fiscal audit. The audit report is favorable to the district. Discussion followed. Board members approved the 2021-22 fiscal audit.

**Action(s):**

Move to approve the 2021-22 fiscal audit from Varney and Associates as presented. This motion, made by Cindy Broxterman and seconded by Kelli Lambrecht, Carried.  
**Voting Summary:** Yea: 6, Nay: 0, Absent: 1

5.2. Receive Preliminary Enrollment Projections for 2023-2024

**Discussion:**

Mr. Davis presented a preliminary report of enrollment numbers for the upcoming school year.

5.3. Review Updated Graduation Requirements for the Class of 2027

**Discussion:**

Ms. Geis, Mr. Davis, and Mr. Slay shared their thoughts on the updated graduation requirements and other honors associated with weighted GPA, valedictorian, salutatorian, and honor roll that would go into effect for the Class of 2027. Discussion followed.

5.4. Review Fee Recommendations for the 2023-24 school year.

**Discussion:**

Mr. Davis presented fee recommendations for the 2023-24 school year. The Board approved the fee changes.

**Action(s):**

Move to approve the fees for the 2023-24 school year as presented. This motion, made by Cindy Broxterman and seconded by Adele Wahwassuck, Carried.

**Voting Summary:** Yea: 6, Nay: 0, Absent: 1

5.5. Hear State Assessment Overview

**Discussion:**

Mr. Slay gave an overview of the State Assessment testing windows and plans for the spring 2023 testing cycle.

5.6. Hear Report on 1116 Hours Requirement

**Discussion:**

Mr. Davis spoke about the 1,116 hours of instruction required throughout the course of the school year and how inclement weather can cause an impact on those hours. Discussion followed.

5.7. Hear Report on January 16 In-Service Opportunities

**Discussion:**

Mr. Slay told the Board about activities that took place during the January 16, 2023, in-service day. Discussion followed.

5.8. Hear Information on Big 7 League Changes and Discussions

**Discussion:**

Mr. Davis and Mr. Schooler informed the Board of changes to the Big 7 League. KSHSAA has added Atchison Middle School to our league starting with the 2024-25 school year. At the high school level, Riverside will leave the Big 7 League starting with the 2024-25 school year. Possible additional changes were discussed by the Board.

6. **OFFICIAL ACTION ITEMS**

6.1. Consider Approval of Contract with TerraCon

**Discussion:**

The Board approved the quote from TerraCon for construction testing for the middle

school and the high school projects. This will help ensure that the soil, concrete, and steel being used in the construction is of sufficient quality.

**Action(s):**

Move to approve the contract for construction testing from TerraCon in the amount of \$37,042 as presented. This motion, made by Cindy Broxterman and seconded by Kelli Lambrecht, Carried.

**Voting Summary:** Yea: 6, Nay: 0, Absent: 1

6.2. Consider the Approval of the Sale of Surplus Property

**Discussion:**

The request to mark the old kiln and slab roller table from the high school art room as surplus property to be sold by sealed bid was approved by the Board.

**Action(s):**

Move to approve the sale of the kiln and slab roller table from the RVHS art room by sealed bid. This motion, made by Cindy Broxterman and seconded by Ann Kelly, Carried.

**Voting Summary:** Yea: 6, Nay: 0, Absent: 1

6.3. Consider Executive Session to Discuss Individual Employee Performance Pursuant to the Non-Elected Personnel Exception Under KOMA.

**Discussion:**

At 7:47 PM, the Board moved to go into executive session and to return at 7:52 PM. The Board returned to open session at 7:52 PM.

**Action(s):**

Move to go into executive session to discuss individual employee performance pursuant to the non-elected personnel exception under KOMA, inviting Aaric Davis, and to return to open session at 7:52 PM. This motion, made by Boone Smith and seconded by Joe Mitchell, Carried.

**Voting Summary:** Yea: 6, Nay: 0, Absent: 1

6.4. Consider Executive Session to Discuss Confidential Student Information Pursuant to the Exception Relating to Actions Adversely or Favorably Affecting a Student Under KOMA.

**Discussion:**

There was no need to have an executive session to discuss confidential student information.

6.5. Consider Executive Session to Discuss the Negotiations Letter Pursuant to the Exception for Employer-Employee Negotiations under KOMA.

**Discussion:**

At 7:53 PM, the Board moved to go into executive session and to return at 7:57 PM. The Board returned to open session at 7:57 PM.

**Action(s):**

Move to go into executive session to discuss the negotiations letter pursuant to the exception for employer-employee negotiations under KOMA, inviting Aaric Davis and to return to open session at 7:57 PM. This motion, made by Boone Smith and seconded by Ann Kelly, Carried.

**Voting Summary:** Yea: 6, Nay: 0, Absent: 1

6.6. Consider Approval of Personnel Items

**Action(s):**

Move to accept the resignation of Bayley Witcher-Goscha as the RVHS Assistant Volleyball coach effective immediately and the resignation of Austin Doty as the

RVHS Health/PE teacher effective at the end of the current contract year. This motion, made by Cindy Broxterman and seconded by Adele Wahwassuck, Carried.  
**Voting Summary:** Yea: 6, Nay: 0, Absent: 1

6.7. Consider Administrative Contract Extensions

**Action(s):**

Move to extend administrator contracts by two years for Noah Slay, Cassandra Geis, David Schooler, Keith Glotzbach, Rhonda Sayles, and Justin Moore. This motion, made by Cindy Broxterman and seconded by Adele Wahwassuck, Carried.

**Voting Summary:** Yea: 6, Nay: 0, Absent: 1

7. **BOARD DISCUSSION AND STUDY**

7.1. Clarifications

**Discussion:**

- Planning is in progress for the staff recognition/appreciation banquet to be held on April 26, 2023, at the Prairie Band Casino and Resort.
- Mr. Davis along with other staff members attended the screening of Imagining the Indian. He felt it was a good presentation and conversation starter.

7.2. Employee Recognition

**Discussion:**

The Board wrote thank you notes to staff that helped move classrooms and clean prior to the demolition at the high school and to those who needed to relocate to a new space during the construction.

8. **ANNOUNCEMENT OF UPCOMING BOE OPPORTUNITIES**

**Discussion:**

- Jackson County Spelling Bee, Tuesday, January 24th, at 4:00 PM at Holton Middle School
- 4th Grade Wax Museum, Tuesday, January 24th, at 6:00 PM in the elementary gym

9. **ADJOURNMENT**

9.1. Meeting Adjournment

**Action(s):**

Move to adjourn the meeting at 8:04 PM. This motion, made by Adele Wahwassuck and seconded by Ann Kelly, Carried.

**Voting Summary:** Yea: 6, Nay: 0, Absent: 1

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Sherri Schulte, Board Clerk  
Board of Education  
USD #337, Mayetta, Kansas

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Date Approved

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Boone Smith, Board President  
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