



OFFICIAL MINUTES
ROYAL VALLEY USD #337
BOARD OF EDUCATION
Monday, February 12, 2024

A REGULAR MEETING of the Board of Education, Unified School District No. 337, Jackson County, Kansas, was held on **Monday, February 12, 2024** at the District Office, 101 W. Main, Mayetta, KS 66509, at 7:00 PM.

ATTENDANCE

Ann Kelly:	Present
Kelli Lambrecht:	Present
Rhonda Lefferd:	Present
Joe Mitchell:	Absent
Ruth Slocum:	Present
Boone Smith:	Present
Adele Wahwassuck:	Absent

Adele Wahwassuck and Joe Mitchell were absent with prior notice. Others present were Aaric Davis - Superintendent, Noah Slay - Director of Curriculum and Instruction, Sherri Schulte - Board Clerk, Trevor Krogman - Technology Coordinator, Samantha Swank - RVHS Teacher, and Ali Holcomb - Holton Recorder.

MINUTES

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

1.1. Roll Call

1.2. Adoption of Meeting Agenda

Action(s):

Move to adopt the meeting agenda as presented. This motion, made by Kelli Lambrecht and seconded by Ann Kelly, Carried.

Voting Summary: Yea: 5, Nay: 0, Absent: 2

2. CONSENT ITEMS

Action(s):

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

Voting Summary: Yea: 5, Nay: 0, Absent: 2

2.1. Approval of Minutes from Previous Meeting

Discussion:

Minutes from the January 22, 2024, regular Board meeting were approved.

2.2. Approval of Treasurer's Report

2.3. Approval of Warrants

3. **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

3.1. Public Comment

Discussion:

There were no public comments.

4. **BOARD TOPICS**

4.1. Board Discussion Items for Future Consideration

Discussion:

Ms. Lambrecht spoke about the interest in a summer enrichment option for the middle school.

4.2. Legislative Update

Discussion:

Mr. Davis provided a list of education bills in the Kansas Legislature. He will be testifying against HB2738, which would include LOB state aid in 92% excess cost for SPED funding.

4.3. Hear Report on Alumni Association Subcommittee Meeting.

Discussion:

Mr. Smith and Ms. Slocum shared the results from the Board Subcommittee that met to consider the creation of a Royal Valley High School Alumni Association. Discussion followed.

5. **RECEIVE REPORTS AND REQUESTS**

5.1. Hear Technology Update Report

Discussion:

Mr. Krogman provided an update on technology in the district including cybersecurity, new tech equipment, and network enhancements. He then answered questions from the Board.

5.2. Receive Transportation/Vehicle Status Report

Discussion:

Mr. Davis updated the Board on the status of buses in the district. Discussion followed on purchasing a new bus.

5.3. Hear Report on Staffing for the 2024-25 School Year

Discussion:

Mr. Slay shared a list of certified positions that are open for the 2024-2025 school year. He and other administrators are planning to attend several teacher employment fairs at various universities to recruit new teachers. Discussion followed.

5.4. Review Updated District Report Card/Accountability Report

Discussion:

Mr. Davis reviewed the building report cards and accountability information recently released by KSDE. Links to the reports can be found on the district website. Discussion followed.

5.5. Review Second Trimester Screening Data

Discussion:

Mr. Slay shared second trimester screening data, which includes attendance, math, reading, office referrals, failing grades, Fastbridge reading, Fastbridge math and SAEBRS scores. Discussion followed.

5.6. Receive Report on Site Planning Process

Discussion:

Mr. Davis gave an update on the status of the future site planning process with HTK Architects. Board members discussed the possibility of a community forum moderated by HTK Architects or obtaining feedback during an open house for the new addition at the high school.

6. **OFFICIAL ACTION ITEMS**

6.1. Consider the Approval of Chrome Book Devices for Annual Rotation

Action(s):

Move to approve the purchase of 160 Lenovo 100e Chromebooks from TwoTrees Technologies in the amount of \$46,240. This motion, made by Kelli Lambrecht and seconded by Ann Kelly, Carried.

Voting Summary: Yea: 5, Nay: 0, Absent: 2

6.2. Consider Approval for the Purchase of a School Bus

Discussion:

The Board approved the purchase of a new school bus to replace Bus 14 in our current fleet. The new bus is an "In Stock" unit purchased through the Kansas Bus Purchasing Program and will not require going through the bid process.

Action(s):

Move to approve the purchase of one (1) school bus from Midwest Transit in the amount of \$139,492. This motion, made by Ann Kelly and seconded by Boone Smith, Carried.

Voting Summary: Yea: 5, Nay: 0, Absent: 2

Move to approve the sale of Bus 14 on PurpleWave as surplus property. This motion, made by Boone Smith and seconded by Kelli Lambrecht, Carried.

Voting Summary: Yea: 5, Nay: 0, Absent: 2

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

Discussion:

At 8:25 PM, the Board moved to go into executive session and to return at 8:31 PM. The Board returned to open session at 8:31 PM. The Board then revisited Agenda Item 6.2 to determine disposal of Bus 14.

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 8:31 PM. This motion, made by Boone Smith and seconded by Kelli Lambrecht, Carried.

Voting Summary: Yea: 5, Nay: 0, Absent: 2

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:

At 8:32 PM, the Board moved to go into executive session and to return at 8:39 PM. The Board returned to open session at 8:39 PM.

Action(s):

Move to go into executive session to discuss confidential student information pursuant to the exception relating to actions adversely or favorably affecting a

student under KOMA, inviting Aaric Davis, and to return to open session at 8:39 PM. This motion, made by Boone Smith and seconded by Ann Kelly, Carried.

Voting Summary: Yea: 5, Nay: 0, Absent: 2

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

Discussion:

This executive session was not needed.

- 6.6. Consider Approval of Personnel Items

Action(s):

Move to approve the retirement notice of Sherri Schulte for July 31, 2025. This motion, made by Boone Smith and seconded by Ann Kelly, Carried.

Voting Summary: Yea: 5, Nay: 0, Absent: 2

Move to approve the resignation of Bethany Trimble as RVMS 6th grade teacher and the resignation of Brianna Spence as 7th grade ELA teacher at the end of the current contract year. This motion, made by Ann Kelly and seconded by Kelli Lambrecht, Carried.

Voting Summary: Yea: 5, Nay: 0, Absent: 2

Move to approve a contract for Katie Glactzak as the RVHS head volleyball coach for the 2024-25 school year. This motion, made by Kelli Lambrecht and seconded by Ruth Slocum, Carried.

Voting Summary: Yea: 5, Nay: 0, Absent: 2

Move to approve hiring a fourth softball coach. This motion, made by Kelli Lambrecht and seconded by Ruth Slocum, Carried.

Voting Summary: Yea: 5, Nay: 0, Absent: 2

7. **BOARD DISCUSSION AND STUDY**

- 7.1. Clarifications

Discussion:

- Ms. Lambrecht asked for an update on Schoology.
- Ms. Kelly requested information about FFA Ag Backers.
- Mr. Davis gave a brief update on the completion of the high school addition.

- 7.2. Employee Recognition

Discussion:

Board members spent time writing notes of appreciation to the school counselors, social worker, and CTE teachers. The Board also recognized and congratulated Kim Clark for being named the Kansas Association of Agriculture Educators (KAAE) Teacher of the Year, which is the equivalent of the State of Kansas Ag Teacher of the Year.

8. **ANNOUNCEMENT OF UPCOMING BOE OPPORTUNITIES**

- 8.1. USD 337 School Board Meeting - March 4, 2024 - 7:00 pm

- 8.2. Title VI Student Recognition Night - Wednesday, April 10, 2024

- 8.3. Staff Appreciation Night - April 24, 2024 - 6:30 PM

9. **ADJOURNMENT**

- 9.1. Meeting Adjournment

Action(s):

Move to adjourn the meeting at 8:51 PM. This motion, made by Rhonda Lefferd and seconded by Ruth Slocum, Carried.

Voting Summary: Yea: 5, Nay: 0, Absent: 2

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

Date Approved

Boone Smith, Board President
Board of Education
USD #337, Mayetta, Kansas