



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

A REGULAR MEETING of the Board of Education, Unified School District No. 337, Jackson County, Kansas, was held on **Monday, August 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

Joe Mitchell and Adele Wahwassuck were absent with prior notice. Others present were Aaric Davis - Superintendent, Noah Slay - Director of Curriculum and Instruction, Sherri Schulte - Board Clerk, Shelley Russell - Parent, Danyelle Russell - Student, Teachers - Monique Litherland, John Zeller, Stacy Lange, Jessie Deters, and Mollie Hurd, 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 Ruth Slocum, 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 Rhonda Lefferd and seconded by Kelli Lambrecht, Carried.

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

2.1. Approval of Minutes from Previous Meeting

Discussion:

Minutes from the July 8, 2024, regular meeting and the August 1, 2024, special meeting were approved.

2.2. Approval of Treasurer's Report

2.3. Approval of Warrants

3. **PUBLIC COMMENT**

Discussion:

There were no public comments.

4. **BOARD TOPICS**

4.1. Board Discussion Items for Future Consideration

Discussion:

There were no items discussed for future consideration.

4.2. Review 2023-24 Needs Assessment

Discussion:

The Board chose to go to Agenda Items 4.3 and 5.1 then return to Item 4.2. Mr. Davis and the Board reviewed and discussed the annual state academic assessment results, the building needs assessments, and the barriers that must be overcome for all students to achieve above level 2 proficiency on state assessments. The Board covered what budget actions should be taken to remove barriers and the estimated amount of time it will take for all students to achieve above level 2 on state assessments if the budget actions are implemented. The Board then moved on to Agenda item 5.2.

Action(s):

Move to approve the state assessment report, the needs assessments from each building and the state assessment barrier report as presented. This motion, made by Ann Kelly and seconded by Ruth Slocum, Carried.

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

4.3. New Staff Member Introductions

Discussion:

Board members introduced themselves to the new teachers in attendance. The teachers then introduced themselves to the Board.

5. **RECEIVE REPORTS AND REQUESTS**

5.1. Hear Report from FCCLA members on National Competition

Discussion:

Danyelle Russell and Monique Litherland shared a film with the Board and spoke about the FCCLA competition in Seattle, WA, this summer.

5.2. Receive Summer Maintenance Report

Discussion:

Mr. Davis provided an update on the summer maintenance items that were completed this summer.

5.3. Hear Preliminary Enrollment Projections

Discussion:

Preliminary enrollment projections were reviewed.

5.4. Hear Report on PowerSchool Attendance Tracking/Notification System

Discussion:

Mr. Davis shared that an add-on module to our PowerSchool student information system was purchased, which will allow our administrators to automate the attendance notification process, send out post-card reminders about attendance using text, email, or robocall, as well as track student attendance in real-time. This

will be a time saver as well as a new electronic notification tool to bring text messaging into our attendance protocols.

6. **OFFICIAL ACTION ITEMS**

6.1. Set Public Hearing for 2024-25 Revenue Neutral Rate

Action(s):

Move that the public hearing to exceed the revenue neutral rate will be held on Monday, August 26, 2024 at 7:05 pm at the district office and authorize publication in the Holton Recorder and on the district website. This motion, made by Kelli Lambrecht and seconded by Ann Kelly, Carried.

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

6.2. Set Public Hearing for 2024-25 School District Budget

Action(s):

Move that the public hearing for the 2024-25 district budget be held on Monday, August 26, 2024 at 7:15 pm at the district office and authorize publication in the Holton Recorder. This motion, made by Kelli Lambrecht and seconded by Rhonda Lefferd, Carried.

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

6.3. Consider Approval of ECSE Calendar for 2024-25

Action(s):

Move to approve the ECSE school calendar for the 2024-25 school year as presented. This motion, made by Boone Smith and seconded by Ruth Slocum, Carried.

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

6.4. Consider Approval of District Propane Bid

Action(s):

Move to approve the propane initial fill price of \$1.25 per gallon and bid cap price of \$1.35 per gallon from Prairie Band Propane. This motion, made by Ruth Slocum and seconded by Ann Kelly, Carried.

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

6.5. Consider Approval of RVHS Roof Bid

Action(s):

Move to approve the RVHS roof retrofit replacement by Midwest Coating in the amount of \$150,550. This motion, made by Kelli Lambrecht and seconded by Ann Kelly, Carried.

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

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

Discussion:

This executive session was not needed.

6.7. Consider Executive Session to Discuss the School Safety and Security Items Pursuant to the Exception Under KOMA for School Security Matters to Ensure the Security of the School, its Buildings, and/or its Systems is not Jeopardized.

Discussion:

This executive session was not needed.

6.8. Consider Personnel Items

Action(s):

Move to approve the hire of Paul Bergeron as winter weights coach on supplemental contract and Shanelle Brake as RVMS assistant volleyball coach on rule 10 contract. This motion, made by Kelli Lambrecht and seconded by Ruth Slocum, Carried.

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

Move to approve the resignation of Randy Spencer as pre-school bus driver effective immediately. This motion, made by Kelli Lambrecht and seconded by Ruth Slocum, Carried.

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

Move to transfer Heather Stewart from PM bus route to pre-school bus driver and to transfer Hannah Sutton from PM van driver to PM bus driver and noon bus para. 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:

Mr. Smith informed the Board about the upcoming virtual session regarding the Superintendent evaluation tool.

7.2. Employee Recognition

Discussion:

Board members spent time writing notes of appreciation to staff members who worked over the summer preparing for the school year and to those who were involved with the enrollment process.

8. **ANNOUNCEMENT OF UPCOMING BOE OPPORTUNITIES**

8.1. Monday, August 12 - RVES Open House - 5:30 pm

8.2. Tuesday, August 13 - RVMS Open House - 6:00 pm

8.3. Monday, August 24 - Regular Board Meeting - 7:00 pm

9. **ADJOURNMENT**

Action(s):

Move to adjourn the meeting at 7:58 PM. This motion, made by Ann Kelly 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
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