



OFFICIAL MINUTES
ROYAL VALLEY USD #337
BOARD OF EDUCATION
Monday, April 14, 2025

A REGULAR MEETING of the Board of Education, Unified School District No. 337, Jackson County, Kansas, was held on **Monday, April 14, 2025** at the District Office, 101 W. Main, Mayetta, KS 66509, at 7:00 PM.

ATTENDANCE

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

Ruth Slocum, Kelli Lambrecht, and Rhonda Lefferd were absent with prior notice. Rhonda Lefferd arrived at 7:59 PM. Others present were Aaric Davis - Superintendent; Noah Slay - Director of Curriculum and Instruction; Sherri Schulte - Board Clerk; Ali Holcomb - Holton Recorder; Keith Glotzbach - RVMS Principal; Justin Moore - RVES Principal; Cassie Geis - RVHS Principal; RVHS Teachers - Monique Litherland, Louis DiLeonardo, Erin Carlson, and Stephanie Switzky; RVHS Students - Kyle Lankford, Dany Russell, Lilly Dawson, Mac Nelson, and Jeeps Matya; John Dawson - Parent; Amanda Matya - Parent; Anita Evans - Title VI Director; and Carrie O'Toole - Citizen.

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 Boone Smith and seconded by Ann Kelly, Carried.

Voting Summary: Yea: 4, Nay: 0, Absent: 3

2. CONSENT ITEMS

Action(s):

Move to approve consent items as presented. This motion, made by Joe Mitchell and seconded by Boone Smith, Carried.

Voting Summary: Yea: 4, Nay: 0, Absent: 3

2.1. Approval of Minutes from Previous Meeting

Discussion:

Minutes from the March 24, 2025, 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:

There were no items for future consideration.

4.2. Hear Information on Board Elections for 2025

Discussion:

Mr. Davis reminded Board members that positions with terms expiring in January 2026 will be open for the upcoming election. The last day to file for election is June 1, 2025.

4.3. Legislative Update

Discussion:

Mr. Davis shared information about items taking place in the Kansas Legislature relevant to the District.

5. **RECEIVE REPORTS AND REQUESTS**

5.1. Hear Trip Request for the National FBLA Competition in Anaheim, CA

Discussion:

Ms. Carlson and Mr. DiLeonardo, along with high school students, requested support from the Board to attend the FBLA national competition for which five students have qualified. Discussion followed.

Action(s):

Move to approve the National FBLA trip to Anaheim, CA along with costs for two sponsors up to \$2,770 as presented. This motion, made by Ann Kelly and seconded by Adele Wahwassuck, Carried.

Voting Summary: Yea: 4, Nay: 0, Absent: 3

5.2. Hear Trip Request for the FCCLA National Competition in Orlando, FL

Discussion:

At 7:15 PM, the Board went to Agenda Item 6.1 for the Title VI and Impact Aid budget hearings, returning to Agenda Item 5.2 at the conclusion of the hearings. Ms. Litherland and high school students requested Board support to attend the FCCLA national competition for which four students have qualified. Discussion followed.

Action(s):

Move to approve the National FCCLA trip to Orlando, FL along with sponsor costs up to \$2,475 as presented. This motion, made by Boone Smith and seconded by Ann Kelly, Carried.

Voting Summary: Yea: 4, Nay: 0, Absent: 3

5.3. Hear Presentation of New 9-12 ELA Resource Recommendation

Discussion:

Mr. Slay and Ms. Switzky presented information about the recommended 9-12 ELA curriculum, StudySync from McGraw Hill. Discussion followed. This curriculum is available at the District Office for anyone wishing to review it. The Board will consider approving the curriculum at the May 12th Board meeting.

6. **OFFICIAL ACTION ITEMS**

6.1. Hold Budget Hearing for Title VI and Impact Aid Grants at 7:15 pm

Discussion:

At 7:15 PM, the Board held Budget hearings for Title VI and Impact Aid grants. Ms. Evans, Ms. O'Toole, and Mr. Davis spoke about proposed programs and items for the 2025-26 school year that could be provided by the Title VI grant. Mr. Davis provided information about the Impact Aid budget for the current 2024-25 school year.

Action(s):

Move to approve the Title VI budget for the 2025-26 school year as presented. This motion, made by Adele Wahwassuck and seconded by Joe Mitchell, Carried.

Voting Summary: Yea: 4, Nay: 0, Absent: 3

Move to approve the Impact Aid budget for the 2024-25 school year as presented. This motion, made by Joe Mitchell and seconded by Adele Wahwassuck, Carried.

Voting Summary: Yea: 4, Nay: 0, Absent: 3

6.2. Consider Approval of Bids for RVES Resinous Flooring/Carpet Project

Action(s):

Move to approve the RVES flooring project bid from Bob Shump in the amount of \$80,180. This motion, made by Ann Kelly and seconded by Joe Mitchell, Carried.

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

6.3. Consider Approval of KASB Membership Renewals

Action(s):

Move to approve the membership renewals for KASB and the KASB Legal Assistance Fund for a total amount of \$13,709.51. This motion, made by Boone Smith and seconded by Rhonda Lefferd, Carried.

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

6.4. Consider Approval of Non-Resident Capacity Report

Action(s):

Move to approve the 2025-2026 non-resident student capacity report as presented. This motion, made by Adele Wahwassuck and seconded by Ann Kelly, Carried.

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

6.5. Consider Approval of Title VI(b) Assurances

Action(s):

Move to approve the Title VI(b) assurances as presented. This motion, made by Boone Smith 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:

At 8:08 PM, the Board moved to go into executive session and to return to open session at 8:35 PM. The Board returned to open session at 8:35 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 Noah Slay as well as the following individual administrators one at a time, Keith Glotzbach, Cassie Geis, and Justin Moore, and to return to open session at 8:35 PM. This motion, made by Boone Smith and seconded by Ann Kelly, Carried.

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

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

Discussion:

This executive session was not needed.

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

Discussion:

At 8:35 PM, the Board moved to go into executive session and to return at 8:41 PM. The Board returned to open session at 8:41 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 8:41 PM. This motion, made by Boone Smith and seconded by Ann Kelly, Carried.

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

- 6.9. Consider Approval of Personnel Items

Action(s):

Move to approve the retirement notice of Barb Williamson as RVHS Librarian and District Webmaster at the end of the current contract year. This motion, made by Ann Kelly and seconded by Joe Mitchell, Carried.

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

Move to approve the resignations of Lisa Carbon and Meaghan Harrison at the end of the current contract year. This motion, made by Ann Kelly and seconded by Adele Wahwassuck, Carried.

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

Move to approve the transfer of Lindsey Bailey to full-time food service director for the 2025-26 school year. This motion, made by Ann Kelly and seconded by Joe Mitchell, Carried.

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

Move to approve the hire of McCrae Becker as RVES Kindergarten teacher and Bailey Parker for RVMS food service position, both for the 2025-26 school year, and to approve Connie Peters and Monnece Hubbard as Title VI instructors for the upcoming summer school program. This motion, made by Ann Kelly and seconded by Adele Wahwassuck, Carried.

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

- 6.10. Consider Approval of Teacher Contract Renewals for 2025-26

Action(s):

Move to approve renewal of teacher contracts for the 2025-26 school year as presented. This motion, made by Boone Smith and seconded by Joe Mitchell, Carried.

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

7. **BOARD DISCUSSION AND STUDY**

Discussion:

Mr. Smith asked about the number of national trips taken by students this year.

7.1. Clarifications

8. **ANNOUNCEMENT OF UPCOMING BOE OPPORTUNITIES**

8.1. USD 337 School Board Meeting - April 28, 2025 - 7:00 pm

8.2. Staff Appreciation Night - Wednesday, April 30, 2025 - Prairie Band Casino and Resort - 6:30 PM

8.3. Title VI Student Recognition Night - Wednesday, May 14, 2025 - Prairie People's Park - 6:00 pm

9. **ADJOURNMENT**

9.1. Meeting Adjournment

Action(s):

Move to adjourn the meeting at 8:55 PM. This motion, made by Ann Kelly and seconded by Adele Wahwassuck, 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