

UNOFFICIAL MINUTES until approved by the Board of Education.

MINUTES

of Regular Meeting
of Unified School Board No. 208
WaKeeney, Kansas

March 12, 2018

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Libby Ziegler at 5:30 p.m.

ROLL CALL

On order of the President, the Deputy Clerk recorded attendance as follows:

Members: Libby Ziegler
 Dawn Howard
 Seth Kastle
 Doug Minson
 Lee Sells
 Jason Dinkel

Superintendent: Tavis Desormiers

Deputy Clerk: Tina Hickson

Guests: Shea Rothchild, Treygan Desair, Hannah Kinderknecht, Sydney
 Boyle, Emma Day, Lili Shubert, Chris Carr

Libby Ziegler declared that a quorum was present.

ADDITIONS/DELETIONS TO CONSENT AGENDA

ADD: Communications and Petitions – donations of books by Joyce Ashmore

ADD: Nominations Taylor Tomsic, TCHS Assisstant Golf and Taylor Haxton, TCHS Assistant Football

DELETE: Item #11 FFA SCHOOL FARM, no action

APPROVAL OF THE CONSENT AGENDA (Action 18066)

It was moved by Dawn Howard, seconded by Jason Dinkel, to approve the consent agenda as amended, the minutes of the February 12, 2018 regular board meeting, clerk’s report and manifest of bills, including the following warrants: First Federal Savings & Loan checks 44374 through 44453, the treasurer’s report, the petty cash and activity account reports. Motion carried 6-0.

COMMUNICATIONS AND PETITIONS (Action 18067)

It was moved by Doug Minson, seconded by Jason Dinkel, to accept the \$350.00 Illona Ziegler Memorial fund donation for TCHS Music, the \$255.00 Johnny Russell Memorial fund donation for TCHS NHS, the \$250.00 donation from Connie Griffith for TCHS FFA, the Dane G. Hansen \$10,000 grant for TCHS Ag Shop use (an additional \$700.00 to Blair Nickelson for writing and administering the grant), and the donation of books to TGS by Joyce Ashmore.

Motion carried 6-0.

REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

TCHS P&G Design Update: Treygan Desair & Hannah Kinderknecht

- Held a T-Shirt raffle and raised \$50.00 for scholarships.
- P&G Design is developing social media site such as a Twitter Account to promote the business. They are managed by LaTrisha Flax and Ruchi Bhakta.
- P&G will have a 20% off sale during Parent Teacher Conferences to move some existing merchandise and make room for new.
- P&G encourages visits to the store, such as upcoming 8th graders or new students.
- Revenue and Expenses are staying consistent.
- P&G donated bags for Project Prom.

TCHS KAY/Sydney Boyle, Emma Day and Lili Shubert:

- Held a basket raffle and raised \$225.00 to pay for the veteran's admission to the TCHS basketball game. The VFW auxiliary then donated that amount back to KAY. They will use the funds for camp fees.
- Scholarship applications have been handed out. In the past, TCHS students have received several of these scholarships.
- Officer elections will be coming up.
- Working on Gold Award.
- Spending the remainder of the year completing projects.

Treygan Desair, Hannah Kinderknecht, Emma Day, Sydney Boyle and Lili Shubert left the meeting at 5:37

TCHS Building Report/Shea Rothchild:

- State Assessments will be administered over the next month.
- Spring is a very busy time with all of the extracurricular activities and sports, the calendar is filling up quickly.
- Spring Sports numbers look good.
- Explained the Pillars of Character program at TCHS. The program recognizes students displaying extraordinary character, which is recognized by a staff member by filling out a ticket and turning it in to Mr. Rothchild. At the end of the month, Mr. Rothchild gathers those students to present the tickets and takes them to lunch at Pizza Hut.
- Attended Kansans Can Symposium in Manhattan. Sat in on many sessions including Redesign Schools and heard a lot of great ideas. Also attended sessions on IPS to help plan for next year. As it stands we are right on track with our plans for next year.

- Currently writing the curriculum to go along with Career Cruising to be utilized during our seminar time, which will once again implemented next year at TCHS.
- Handed out the schedule for next year.

CCC/Chris Carr:

- The focus is on new classes, different visions, and discussing the benefit of PLC's.
- Discussing changing the Math curriculum to meet the changing demands and looking at different frameworks.
- Looking at the culture of our school and the challenges and benefits to help guide Professional Development
- Discussed Standards based grading, possible implementation at the K-2 grade level, what that would look like and the basics of how it would work and how it would affect the teacher, the student and the parents in the long run.

Chris Carr left the meeting at 6:07 p.m

TGS/District Report/Tavis Desormiers:

- Has been gone quite a bit to various trainings.
- Discussed the community use of our "eagle head" which P&G owns the vector file for. It has been decided that the district prefers that if it is something P&G could make, we will use P&G. If not, we will consider letting the public use it.
- Explained that the fire alarm system had a malfunction at the high school causing the panel alarm in the office to engage. It was determined that the panel in the teacher workroom would need replaced again. The malfunction turned out to be due to the roofers screwing into the fire alarm wiring, so that will be covered by the roofing company.
- Discussed various security measures and options that are available. At this time we are working to get 3 competitive bids for a possible buzzer type entry system for the schools.
- Attended food service meeting, much discussion was on schools no longer preparing the food, but purchasing already prepared options to go along with salad, fresh vegetables and fresh fruit. Also being discussed is the meals/labor ratio and if it is cost effective.
- Shared briefly on the budget using slides.

Government Relations/Dawn Howard:

- Lawmakers and districts are frustrated with school funding issues and are still waiting for answers.
- House votes to re-instate due process for teachers, sent to Senate. KASB believes it should be left up to local decision.
- House also sends bullying bill requiring public access to policy, processes, and penalties via their school web sites
- Reported on the transportation bill – amending the calculation for weighting
- House is discussing a bill that would nearly double the statewide mill levy over the next 3 years
- Reported on Kansas Action for Childhood intervention

NKESC:

- No report.

VISION

Tavis Desormiers discussed KESA and implementing ideas to put towards our goals and the benefits of getting together and sharing ideas between area schools.

HAIL DAMAGE UPDATE

Mr. Desormiers updated the board on the progress of hail damage repair. The weather halted some of the work on the TCHS roof, but they are still working on it. One set of windows has been replaced in the Ag shop at TCHS.

VALEDICTORIAN/SALUTATORIAN

Mr. Rothchild provided an example of a selection process. He asked the board to look it over and report their opinions next month. Mr. Rothchild and Mrs. Schoenthaler used the rubric on the current senior class, taking it from a 6 way tie of the 4.0 students down to a 2-way tie. The board will re-visit again next month.

FFA SCHOOL FARM

Discussion only; no action until next month.

NOTICE OF INTENT TO NEGOTIATE (Action 18068)

Mr. Desormiers shared the letter that will be sent to Mr. Mohler to meet in April.

It was moved by Lee Sells, seconded by Seth Kastle, that the Notice of Intent to Negotiate be approved. Motion carried 6-0.

PRE-SCHOOL

Mr. Desormiers explained the two different preschool options at TGS. The morning session is Head Start, which is funded through NKESC and only offers 12 slots. This session is very restrictive and has many requirements of the school. The afternoon session has had to turn away students or only have students attend a few days a week to accommodate the needs of the community. After looking at the costs, comparing different options, etc., it has been decided to keep the existing preschools at TGS for the upcoming year. It is something Mr. Desormiers will continue to consider to make sure it is still fitting our needs at TGS.

SCHEDULES (Action 18069)

Mr. Rothchild presented the TCHS schedule for the 2018-2019 school year. Mr. Desormiers said the TGS/TJH schedule is not ready at this time.

It was moved by Seth Kastle, seconded by Doug Minson, to approve the TCHS schedule for the 2018-2019 school year as presented. Motion carried 6-0.

EXECUTIVE SESSION (Action 18070)

It was moved by Lee Sells, seconded by Jason Dinkel, to go into executive session at 7:01 p.m., with the Superintendent present, to discuss employee performance pursuant to the non-elected personnel exception under KOMA, and the open meeting would resume at 7:06 p.m., in this room. Motion carried 6-0.

MEETING RECONVENED

The meeting reconvened at 7:06 p.m.

EXECUTIVE SESSION (Action 18071)

It was moved by Libby Ziegler, seconded by Seth Kastle, to go into executive session at 7:06 p.m., with the Superintendent present, to discuss employee performance pursuant to the non-elected personnel exception under KOMA, and the open meeting would resume at 7:21 p.m., in this room. Motion carried 6-0.

MEETING RECONVENED

The meeting reconvened at 7:21 p.m.

EXECUTIVE SESSION (Action 18072)

It was moved by Seth Kastle, seconded by Dawn Howard, to go into executive session at 7:21 p.m., with the Superintendent present, to discuss employee performance pursuant to the non-elected personnel exception under KOMA, and the open meeting would resume at 7:36 p.m., in this room. Motion carried 6-0.

MEETING RECONVENED

The meeting reconvened at 7:36 p.m.

CONSIDERATION OF DISTRICT PERSONNEL (Action 18073)

It was moved by Doug Minson, seconded by Seth Kastle, to approve the following resignations, nominations and transcripts, as amended:

- Resignations: James Burk, TJH Head Football Coach; Jim Briel, TCHS Assistant Tennis Coach
- Nomination: James Burk, TCHS Assistant Tennis Coach; Taylor Tomsic, TCHS Assistant Golf Coach; Taylor Haxton, TCHS Assistant Football Coach

Motion carried 6-0.

DECLARATION OF SURPLUS

The existing plasma cutter is being replaced with funds from the Dane G Hansen grant. The existing equipment works properly and can be sold.

It was moved by Doug Minson, seconded by Dawn Howard, to declare the plasma cutter as surplus. Motion carried 6-0

ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION ON THE APRIL AGENDA

- KESA Application
- Meeting at TGS and riding the bus to the proposed FFA farm site.

MEETING ADJOURNED (Action 18074)

It was moved by Jason Dinkel, seconded by Dawn Howard, to adjourn the meeting at 7:51 p.m.
Motion carried 6-0.

Libby Ziegler, President

Tina Hickson, Deputy Clerk

The minutes of the March 12, 2018 meeting, approved in regular session, April 9, 2018.

Libby Ziegler, President

Tina Hickson, Deputy Clerk