

REGULAR MEETING OF UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT #218, SEPTEMBER 11, 2006 AT THE ELEMENTARY CAFETERIA.

**MEMBERS PRESENT: OTHERS PRESENT:**

Joe Davidson, Vice President Nancy Crowell, Superintendent  
Mike Gilmore Lynn Thrall, ES Principal, Deputy Clerk  
Phil Walrod Rex Richardson, HS Principal  
Jeff Weaver Rex Toomey, MS Principal  
Brian Mitchell - 7:41p Renae Hickert, PRS Principal  
Danny White -7:50p  
Ronnie Anderson - 7:52p

**OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE:** Sherri Hurn, Andy Bane, Susan Soltwedel, Debbie Harn, Darcy Seitz, Ernie Cook, Lorrie Wright, Nici Yannis, Linda Harlow, Peggy Horton, Margaret Duckworth, Janelle Maltbie, Terri Houtz, Jamie Evans, Sara Keeling, Nathan Hicks, Tannan Baldwin, Stephanie Brown, Gary Page, Josh Flanagan, Ben Keeling, Alecia Beth Smith, and Laura Osborne.

Vice President Davidson called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

**AGENDA** - Mr. Walrod moved to approve the agenda as presented, seconded by Mr. Weaver. MOTION CARRIED 4-0

**MINUTES** - The minutes of the August 14 regular, and August 21 special meetings were read by members for approval. Mr. Gilmore moved to approve the minutes as read. Seconded by Mr. Walrod. MOTION CARRIED 4-0

**TREASURER'S REPORT** - The September bills and treasurer's report were presented for approval. Mr. Gilmore moved, seconded by Mr. Walrod to pay the bills as presented. MOTION CARRIED 4-0

**NEW TEACHER INTRODUCTION** - Building principals introduced teachers new to the district. Those in attendance were: Susan Soltwedel, Debbie Harm, Darcy Seitz, Ernie Cook, Lorrie Wright, Nici Yannis, and Janelle Maltbie.

**NO PUBLIC COMMENT**

**COMMUNICATIONS** - Thank you notes were read from Lynn Thrall, Morton County Fair Board, Whistle Stop Park and Rex Toomey.

**ECS REPORT** - Mrs. Hurn shared with members the plans for the September

20<sup>th</sup> count day, current enrollment of 139, partnerships with Minneloa High School, Heritage Christian Academy, 2<sup>nd</sup> grade Reading Diagnostic, CAT6 Testing. INFORMATIONAL ITEM

**COMMUNITY ED AND 21<sup>ST</sup> CENTURY REPORT** - Mrs. Horton reported on the current enrollment of the ES and MS programs, Adult/Parent programs, Advisory and Parent Council, Public Relations and Chris Bradley Site Visit Oct. 5. INFORMATIONAL ITEM

**PRINCIPAL'S REPORTS** - Principals each reported in their respective areas; Reading Program, Enrollment, AYP, Testing, Bullying Program, Playground equipment, Bus Lane, Freshman Orientation, Open House, Evening Courses, Professional Reading, and PRA Student Evaluations. INFORMATIONAL ITEM

**FIELD TRIP** - Members of the HS Art class presented a power point presentation on Santa Fe and requested approval of a field to Santa Fe on November 2/3 with transportation provided by district. Mr. Mitchell moved, seconded by Mr. White to approve the request to Santa Fe. MOTION CARRIED 7-0

**S.A.F.E** - Mr. Anderson moved, seconded by Mr. Davidson, to table the S.A.F.E. program until the Morton County Health Department can report. MOTION CARRIED 7-0

**PRA FACILITY LEASE** - Mr. Anderson moved to approve continuing with leasing the building, currently housing the Academy, from T.E.C.T, LLC for one year beginning November 1, 2006 though June 30, 2007. Seconded by Mr. Mitchell. MOTION CARRIED 7-0

**AESOP - Automated Substitute Program** - Mr. Walrod moved, seconded by Mr. Davidson, to purchase the Automated Substitute Program at a cost of around \$3,000.00. MOTION CARRIED 7-0

**2<sup>ND</sup> READING POLICY CHANGE** - Mrs. Crowell discussed changes to the 2<sup>nd</sup> reading of policies DFE-Investments of Funds; DKFA -Purchase Authority; GAAA - Equal Employment Opportunity and Nondiscrimination; GBO - Resignation; IDCE - College Classes; II - Educational Testing Program; IKCA - Human Sexuality and AIDS Education; JBE - Truancy; JDD - Suspension and Expulsion Procedures; JQ - Exceptional Students; JRC - Disposition of Records; KGD - Crowd Control at School Sponsored Activities. Mr. Davidson moved, seconded by Mr. Anderson to approve all policy changes except DJFA Purchasing Authority as per Mrs. Crowells request. MOTION CARRIED 7-0

**TRACK PROJECT** - Mr. Bane presented additional information on repairs to the track for consideration. INFORMATIONAL ITEM

**GATOR PURCHASE** - Information was given to members on the purchase of a gator for district use. Mr. Walrod moved, seconded by Mr. Gilmore, to purchase the Gator at a cost of \$5,015.00 from Cornerstone Sales. MOTION CARRIED 7-0

**FIELD TRIPS** - Field trip requests were received from the FFA to attend the National FFA Conference at Indianapolis, October 24-30 with cost to the district the transportation; HS Band to Band Days at the Air Force Academy, October 28 with cost of transportation provided by the district; and from the MS Accelerated Reading group to Amarillo on May 17, 2007. Mr. Davidson moved to approve all three requests, seconded by Mr. Mitchell. MOTION CARRIED 7-0

**SOCS** (Simplified online communication system) - SOCS is a computer program that is helpful in creating and updating our websites. Mr. Mitchell moved, seconded by Mr. Gilmore to purchase the program with \$3,135 of district funds and \$1,425 of Cyber School funds. MOTION CARRIED 7-0.

**P.A.T. EVALUATION REPORT** - Mr. Thrall reviewed the P.A.T Quality visit that was conducted on May 11/12 by Betsy Hineman. INFORMATIONAL ITEM

**SCCC DUAL CREDIT CLASS PAYMENT** - Mr. Anderson moved, seconded by Mr. Davidson to approve SCCC giving 100% of payment directly to the teachers teaching dual classes. MOTION CARRIED 7-0

**GRADUATION CAP AND GOWNS** - After discussion was held on the styles and colors of Senior Cap and Gowns, Mr. Anderson moved to leave the judgment up to the building administrator and superintendent. Seconded by Mr. Gilmore. MOTION CARRIED 7-0

**ESL CERTIFICATION** - The district has had teachers request to take more than one ESL class at a time. With agreement from the teaching association, the Board consensus was to also allow more than one class at a time if the teacher so requests. DISCUSSION ITEM

**KASB ANNUAL CONVENTION AND DELEGATE** - KASB annual convention is being held on December 1-3 at Wichita. Mr. Anderson moved to appoint Mr. Gilmore as the BOE's delegate to the assembly with Mr. Walrod as alternate. Seconded by Mr. Mitchell. MOTION CARRIED 7-0

**BOARD OF EDUCATION TOOK A 10 MINUTE BREAK FROM 9:25-9:35 PM**

**PRA/ECS CHARTER SCHOOL GRANT** - Mrs. Hickert and Mrs. Hurn shared with members information on PRA/ECS Charter School grant start a “Family Development Services” and “Child Development Center.” Consensus of the board was for them to proceed with the grant as requested and bring back to the next meeting. INFORMATIONAL ITEM

**TARGET DONATION ACCEPTANCE** - Mr. Richardson request the Board approve the \$43.68 donation recently received from Target. Mr. Anderson moved, seconded by Mr. Walrod to approve the target donation. MOTION CARRIED 7-0

**CLOSED LUNCH** - Discussion was held on accepting a note or phone call from parents of country students to allow them to leave the grounds at lunch. The consensus of members was to leave the policy as is with parents continuing to sign their student out. Discussion Item

**EXECUTIVE SESSION - STUDENT ISSUES** - Mr. Anderson moved the Board go to executive session for a period of fifteen (15) minutes from 10:02 pm until 10:17 for discussion of a student issue with Mrs. Crowell and Mr. Richardson. The session is required to protect the privacy rights of an identifiable student. Seconded by Mr. Walrod. MOTION CARRIED 7-0

Mr. Richardson left the session at 10:14 pm

President White called the session back to regular session at 10:17 pm

**EXECUTIVE SESSION PERSONNEL** - Mr. Gilmore moved the board go to executive session for the purpose of discussing personnel for twenty (20) minutes from 10:17 pm until 10:38 pm with Mrs. Crowell. The executive session is required to protect personnel interest. Seconded by Mr. Davidson. MOTION CARRIED 7-0

President White called the meeting back to regular session at 10:38 pm.

Mr. Mitchell moved the BOE return to executive session for an additional five (5) minutes from 10:38 pm to 10:42 pm for further discussion of personnel with Mrs. Crowell. Seconded by Mr. Anderson. MOTION CARRIED 7-0

President White called the meeting back to regular session at 10:42 pm.

Mr. Davidson moved the BOE return to executive session for an additional ten (10) minutes from 10:42 pm to 10:52 pm for further discussion of personnel with Mrs. Crowell. Seconded by Mr. Gilmore. MOTION CARRIED 7-0

President White called the meeting back to regular session at 10:52 pm.

Mr. Anderson moved the BOE return to executive session for an additional ten (10) minutes from 10:52 pm to 11:02 pm for further discussion of personnel with Mrs. Crowell. Seconded by Mr. Mitchell. MOTION CARRIED 7-0

President White called the meeting back to regular session at 11:02 pm.

Mr. Davidson moved the BOE return to executive session for an additional ten (10) minutes from 11:02 pm to 11:12 pm for further discussion of personnel with Mrs. Crowell. Seconded by Mr. Weaver. MOTION CARRIED 7-0

President White called the meeting back to regular session at 11:12 pm.

**APPROVAL OF PERSONNEL CONTRACTS** - Mr. Weaver moved to approve contracts for Beau Line, custodian; Barrett Cook, bus barn/grounds maintenance; and Lisa Tucker as 7<sup>th</sup> girls basketball. Seconded by Mr. Anderson. MOTION CARRIED 7-0

**APPROVE PERSONNEL RESIGNATIONS** - Mr. Anderson moved to approve the resignations of Bess McCarter, MS Cook and Phyllis Mostrom, 21<sup>st</sup> Century, seconded by Mr. Davidson. MOTION CARRIED 7-0

**SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT** - Mrs. Crowell reported to members on the district AYP report; NCA visit in April; Early Dismissal Agenda; Math adoption; Mentoring program; MS playground equipment; Title IV-Safe and Drug Free fund; and KELPA report.

Meeting adjourned at 11:30 pm

APPROVED: \_\_\_\_\_  
Danny White, President Lynn Thrall, Deputy Clerk