

MINUTES-of the regular Monday, January 11, 2016, meeting of the West Elk USD #282 Board of Education, at 6:30 p.m. at the West Elk District Office, Howard, Kansas.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT

Angela Allen, Vice-President
Dr. Robert Black
Tyson Denton
Thomas Eubank (6:32 p.m.)
Shelly Hare (6:31 p.m.)
Panatha "Penny" Swanson

ADMINISTRATION

Bert Moore, Supt/Director of SPED
Martin Burke, Principal
Chris Haag, Asst. to Administration
Mary Mericle, Asst. to Administration
Kevin Weber, Asst. to Administration
Paula McAlister, Business Mgr/Clerk

OTHERS

Debra Stange
Mike McLean
Zach Fry
Christy Tyler
Morgan Riggs
Mason Harrod
Tana Harrod
Laura Woods
Steve Hill

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT

Matthew C. Hilton, President

OTHERS PRESENT

Chris Schmeidler

At 6:30 p.m., Vice-President Allen called the meeting to order by reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

II. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Black moved to accept the Agenda as printed. Denton seconded and motion passed. (4-0)

IV. CONSENT AGENDA

Hare moved to approve the consent agenda as follows:

- A. Approval of Minutes, Regular Meetings December 14, 2015
- B. Approval of Bills, Payroll and Treasurer's Report:
Bills: \$95,094.53 Payroll: \$394,571.44
- C. Donation of wrestling warm-ups from Steven & Tana Harrod.

Black seconded and the motion passed. (65-0)

IV. DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS:

A. CONSTRUCTION PROJECT UPDATE – PBA & SBA:

Steve Hill of PBA Architects and Chris Schmeidler of SBA Construction were present to answer questions about the building project. After much discussion, Eubank moved to authorize payment of pay AP #5 in the amount of \$71,069.52. Hare seconded and the motion passed. (6-0)

B. MAINTENANCE REQUESTS & UPDATE – Mike McLean:

McLean reported the following:

- 1. Replacement switches on the RTU have been sent for replacement.
- 2. The Weight Room did leak once after the repairs were made, but did not leak over Christmas break.
- 3. Over Christmas break the gym floor was repaired, hall carpets were shampooed six times, ceiling tiles and light bulbs were replaced and touch up painting in the gym.
- 4. John Ed replaced a defrost timer on one of the freezers.
- 5. There have been heater issues in the shop and bus barn.
- 6. Still have two purplewave.com purchasers that have not picked up their items.
- 7. New window blinds have been ordered.
- 8. Checking the ventilation issue in the district office. Fumes are coming up from the bus barn through the return air.

C. TECHNOLOGY UPDATE – Zach Fry:

Fry reported:

1. Backups failed at the District Office during a power outage.
2. Looking into new security cameras at the building. The District Office cameras are much clearer. New cabling will be necessary with new cameras.

D. TRANSPORTATION UPDATE – Christy Tyler:

Tyler reported as follows:

1. Bus #12 – Replaced front shocks and serviced and changed oil
2. Bus #1 – Oil changed and serviced
3. Bus #8 – Repaired tail light and broken wire
4. Bus #10 – Oil changed and serviced, replaced fan belt
5. Bus #9 – Oil changed and serviced
6. Bus #12 – Checked wiring on amber 8 way. Service call – bus was stuck in parking spot at driver’s house
7. Bus #20 – clutch cable broke. Bus at LT Service.

E. FCCLA Youth Friend Pilot – Martin Burke, Morgan Riggs & Laura Woods:

Morgan Riggs and Laura Woods presented their proposal for a FCCLA project to pilot a Mentor Program for ten (10) at risk K-6 students at West Elk. After discussion Eubank moved to approve the Pilot Mentor Program as presented. Hare seconded and the motion passed. (6-0)

F. SHUTTLE BUS – Martin Burke:

Mr. Burke presented the survey that will be mailed home to parents gathering information regarding a shuttle bus. Results will be presented at the February meeting.

G. UNIFORM QUOTES – Kevin Weber:

Mr. Weber presented the attached uniform quotes for Wrestling, Football (Jr High are free with the purchase of HS) and Softball per the approved Rotation Schedule beginning in 2015-16. After discussion, Swanson moved and Denton seconded purchasing the uniforms in the amount of \$14,597.00. Motion passed. (5-1) Black voted no.

H. PRINCIPAL REPORT – Martin Burke:

Mr. Burke reported:

1. Researching the addition of late starts for professional development into the 2016-2017 calendar.
2. Very busy with winter activities.
3. Preparing a school wide Community Service Day to be presented for approval this spring.
4. January is BOE appreciation month. Mr. Burke presented each board member with a Certificate of service and thank you card from staff. Board members will be recognized at half time of the HS boys’ basketball game at home on Friday, February 19, 2016.

I. SUPERINTENDENT REPORT – Bert Moore:

1. Presented a draft calendar for 2016-2017.
2. Presented the list of Board Policies that will be updated and brought to the board for approval.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 8:16 p.m. Black moved to go into executive session to discuss non-elected personnel, negotiations and students to protect the privacy interest of identifiable individuals for 20 minutes and to include Bert Moore. Denton seconded the motion and motion passed. (6-0)

At 8:25 p.m. Martin Burke, Chris Haag, Mary Mericle and Kevin Weber entered.

At 8:36 p.m. the Board reconvened into open session.

ACTION ITEMS

A. Personnel:

Eubank moved to offer employment to the following: O’Niesha Pendleton, Elk Valley Paraprofessional and Genell Evans, West Elk Pre School Para; amend Talia Leck’s contract to add \$5000.00 for sole School Psychology for the remainder of the 2015-2016 contract and offer Amy Stange an hourly contract as the SPED Cooperative Nurse. Denton seconded and the motion passed. (6-0)

Black moved to offer Martin Burke a Pre-K – 12 Principal Contract for 2016-2017 and 2017-2018 in the amount of \$80,000 per year commencing July 1, 2016 and Bert Moore the Superintendent and Director of Special Education Contract for the 2016-2017 and 2107-2018 school years. Hare seconded and the motion passed. (6-0)

Hare, Black and Hilton were reminded of the Regional KASB Negotiations training for school board on January 28, 2016 to be held at West Elk.

At 8:3 p.m. Hilton adjourned the meeting.

PRESIDENT OF THE BOARD

CLERK OF THE BOARD
