

MINUTES-of the regular Monday, March 13, 2017, 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

Matthew C. Hilton, President (6:39 p.m.)
Tyson Denton, Vice-President
Dr. Robert Black
Tom Eubank
Panatha "Penny" Swanson
Tyson Wilson (6:31 p.m.)

ADMINISTRATION

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

OTHERS

Mike McLean
Zach Fry
Michele White

BOARD MEMBER ABSENT:

Shelly Hare

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

At 6:31 p.m. Wilson entered the meeting.

II. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Black moved to accept the Agenda as printed. Eubank seconded and the motion passed. (5-0)

III. CONSENT AGENDA

Eubank moved to approve the consent agenda as follows:

- A. Approval of Minutes, Regular Meeting February 13, 2017;
- B. Approval of Bills, Payroll and Treasurer's Report
Bills: \$157,784.88 Payroll: \$415,728.43

Swanson seconded and the motion passed. (5-0)

At 6:39 p.m. Hilton entered the meeting.

V. DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS:

A. Maintenance Update – Mike McLean:

McLean reported:

1. Simplex Grinnell has installed the strobe in the sick room per Fire Marshall inspection.
2. Kansas State Fire Marshall Office issued its approval letter February 20, 2017.
3. Hall door panic device has been fixed.
4. The track will need a few patches and cracks filled.
5. District Office roof has been repaired and installed.
6. BCS sent out a drone to video the roof to be used for other bidding purposes. In exchange, BCS will repair the sensors on the gym units.
7. Bids for a pole vault cover and land pad for the high jump pit have been requested.
8. Installed handicap toilets in the commons area rest rooms.
9. Claco submitted a bid of \$13,000 for new sound proof doors for the cafeteria. A bid without "sound proof" has been requested.
10. The football field sprinklers have not been turned on. Uncertain of the damage total.

B. Playground Update – Martin Burke:

After discussion, Hilton moved to approve the proposal from ABCreative in the amount of \$34,984.60 for playground equipment. Wilson seconded and the motion passed. (6-0)

C. Technology Update – Zach Fry:

Fry reported:

1. Still working with SSL certificate vendors to resolve issues
2. KKI is investigating the failure on the old server that runs the business lab and other small workstations.
3. Installing KITE on all devices for state testing.
4. Performing routine maintenance and repairs.
5. Planning for end of the year purchases, including Chromebooks and security cameras.
6. Planning for summer maintenance: running fiber optic cable to south end of the building, installing a designated access point in the gym and installing security cameras.

D. Transportation Update:

Transportation report was reviewed as follows:

1. Bus #7 - replaced front shocks
2. Bus #11 – replaced water pump
3. A-6 – Replaced rear wheel cylinder and battery
4. A-15 – Replaced battery.

KIDS NEED TO EAT program in El Dorado donated several used bus seats. Denton move to accept the donated seats. Swanson seconded and the motion passed. (6-0)

E. Title I National Conference Post-Activity Report – Bert Moore:

Mr. Moore reviewed the attached post activity reports submitted to the State of Kansas. It was a very informative conference and provided In-Service ideas. Moore thanked the board for allowing the Title I team (Joan Bennett, Cristen Bahr and Jennifer McDow) to attend the conference.

F. Independence Community College Proposal for Concurrent Enrollment – Bert Moore and Martin Burke:

New requirements are in place for instructing a dual college level course at the high school. Instructors are now required to have a masters in the specific field or 18 hours of graduate level courses. At this time West Elk will be offer Psychology and College Algebra for 2017-18. Options are being looked at to also offer Sociology and College English.

G. Board Policy Update – Bert Moore:

Black moved to accept Board Policy C-14 – Workers Compensation as presented. Wilson seconded and the motion passed. (6-0)

H. Principal Report – Martin Burke:

Mr. Burke reported:

1. The state testing window is March 14 through April 28, 2017.
2. AED training will be scheduled for coaches and other employees. An AED will be taken to events.

3. Mr. Haag is scheduling spring student physicals and working on the concussion base line training.
4. Spring sports are underway. There are enough softball and baseball players for JV teams. Three HS students are participating in Golf with Sedan.
5. HS Wrestlers sent two seniors to state this year with one placing 6th. He has been invited to participate in the Battle of the Best in Topeka.
6. HS Girls Basketball placed 2nd at Sub-State.
7. Staff is continually working on BYOC.
8. Parent/Teacher Conferences are Monday, March 20. Scheduling evening spring conferences was discussed.
9. Preparing for the 21st Grant Summer programs in June and July.

I. Superintendent Report – Bert Moore:

Mr. Moore reported:

1. 4 day week survey for staff and parents will be sent home. Results will be tabulated and delivered to the Board at the April meeting.
2. We are still advertising for the maintenance supervisor and food service manager positions.

J. Capital Outlay:

Capital Outlay was discussed. No action was taken.

At 8:20 p.m. Hilton declared a 5 minute break.

At 8:25 p.m. Hilton called the meeting back to order.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 8:26 p.m. Swanson moved to go into executive session to discuss non-elected personnel and students to protect the privacy interest of identifiable individuals to be discussed; negotiations to protect the public interest in negotiating a fair and equitable contract and to include Bert Moore and Martin Burke for 45 minutes. Denton seconded the motion and motion passed. (6-0)

At 9:11 p.m. the Board reconvened into open session at which time a motion was made by Black and seconded by Eubank to continue the session for an additional 20 minutes and include Bert Moore and Martin Burke. Motion carried. (6-0)

At 9:32 p.m. the Board reconvened into open session at which time a motion was made by Hilton and seconded by Black to continue the session for an additional 2 minutes and include Bert Moore and Martin Burke. Motion carried. (6-0)

At 9:34 p.m. the Board reconvened into open session.

ACTION ITEMS

A. Personnel & Students:

Eubank moved to accept the immediate resignations of Amanda Corbett, West Elk Para and Debbie Lane, West Elk part time music aide. Denton seconded and the motion passed. (6-0)

Swanson moved to accept with regrets, the retirement of Catherine Perkins, West Elk Grade 5. Eubank seconded and the motion passed. (6-0)

Black moved to open all Rule 10 Supplemental positions for 2017-18 to assist in the recruitment of licensed personnel. Hilton seconded and the motion passed. (6-0)

Hilton moved to approve the attached Notice of Non-Renewal for Michele White for the 2017-18 school year. Eubank seconded and the motion passed. (6-0)

Meeting adjourned at 9:36 p.m.

PRESIDENT OF THE BOARD

CLERK OF THE BOARD
