

**MINUTES**-of the regular Monday, September 14, 2015 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  
Dr. Robert Black  
Tyson Denton  
Shelly Hare  
Panatha "Penny" Swanson

**BOARD MEMBER ABSENT**

Angela Allen

**ADMINISTRATION**

Bert Moore, Supt/Director of SPED  
Martin Burke, Principal  
Paula McAlister, Business Mgr/Clerk

**OTHERS**

Christy Tyler  
Tessa Riggs  
Tom Eubank  
Savannah Harrod  
Nathan Bahr  
Lyal Bahr

**OTHERS**

Mike McLean  
Debra Stange  
L. W. Ross  
Linda Mill  
Rodger Mill  
Zachary Fry  
Lyle Riggs  
Kevin Weber  
Mason Harrod  
Tana Harrod  
Billy Bunyard

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

**II. ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

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

**IV. CONSENT AGENDA**

Black moved to approve the consent agenda as follows:

- A. Approval of Minutes, Regular Meetings August 10, 2015 and August 17, 2015
- B. Approval of Bills, Payroll and Treasurer's Report:  
Bills: \$107,274.73                      Payroll: \$367,938.34
- C. Accept Donation of \$17.82 from the Class of 2022 for the Building Project
- D. Assurances – Local Education Application for IDEA Part B
- E. SBA Payment Request pending PBA approval.

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

**PUBLIC COMMENT – Request to Donate: Mason Harrod**

Mason Harrod, Boy Scout from Troop 52, asked for board permission to build a flag mall between the West Elk High School baseball and softball field as his Eagle project. Harrod will secure all materials and finances to complete the project. After discussion, Black moved to approve Harrod's Eagle flag mall project. Harrod will work with Mr. Burke and Mike McLean to secure a location. Hare seconded and the motion passed. (5-0)

**IV. DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS:**

**A. BOARD VACANCY – Paula McAlister:**

Tom Eubank has submitted his letter of interest to fill the vacant unexpired term of Position 7 - At-Large. After discussion, Black moved to approve Tom Eubank to fill the

unexpired term the Position 7 – At-Large position. Hare seconded and the motion passed. (5-0)

**B. CONSTRUCTION PROJECT UPDATE – Bert Moore/Mike McLean**

Mike McLean reported:

1. The project is nearly complete. Meeting is being set up with PBS to document the BCS training.
2. Several items on the punch list are being corrected.
3. BCS will be training several individuals on operation of the RTU's this Thursday.
4. The majority of RTU's are set at 73 degrees and the gym is set at 75 degrees.

**C. MAINTENANCE REPORT – Mike McLean:**

Mike McLean reported:

1. Wray Roofing has looked at the roof on the District Office and Bus Barn and has submitted an estimate of \$15,985.00 to repair and recoat the roof.
2. The outdoor lighting at the District Office will be replaced.
3. Due to construction, the building did not get deep cleaned (painting, carpet shampooing).
4. Placement of rest rooms at the baseball and softball fields would be very costly.

**D. PETITION TO CALL FOR A VOTE ON CAPITAL OUTLAY – Paula McAlister:**

The County Clerk delivered the Petition to Call for a Vote on the proposed 8 mill Capital Outlay levy with the required number of signatures. The Capital Outlay Mill Rate for 2015-16 will be 4.

**E. TECHNOLOGY UPDATE – Zach Fry:**

Fry reported:

1. Chrome Books are being used by the seniors.
2. The library needs more computers.
3. Lots of issues (freeze and shut-down) with the thin clients in the Library. KKI is monitoring the library server and it is maxed out.
4. Board will be presented a request for upgraded server and more computers in October.
5. Teachers using Google Classroom are having problems with connectivity.
6. The school web-site is being worked on.
7. A Tech Committee meeting needs to be scheduled. Black, Hare and Eubank will serve on the Tech Committee.

**F. TRANSPORTATION UPDATE – Christy Tyler:**

Tyler reported:

1. There are 9 bus routes transporting 245 students. Pick up times are still being adjusted.
2. Murphy Auto did all the vehicle inspections and L-T Service did all bus inspections.

### **G. PRINCIPAL REPORT – Martin Burke:**

Burke reported:

1. Administration has attended MTSS conference and Leadership Academy.
2. Lots of extracurricular fall activities and events occurring.
3. School web page is being redesigned.
4. BLAST has been scheduled for grades 1 through 6. "Enrichment and the Fine Arts" will be this year's topic.

### **H. SUPERINTENDENT REPORT – Bert Moore:**

Moore reported:

1. To date, we have three K-12 and three adult virtual students.
2. Grandparent week is October 26 through October 30.

At 8:29 p.m. Hilton declared a 5 minute break.

At 8:34 p.m. Hilton declared the meeting back in session.

### **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

At 8:36 Denton moved to go into executive session to discuss non-elected personnel and students to protect the privacy interest of identifiable individuals for 25 minutes and to include Bert Moore, Martin Burke and Kevin Weber. Black seconded the motion and motion passed. (6-0)

At 9:01 p.m. the Board reconvened into open session at which time a motion was made by Hilton and seconded by Hare to continue the session for an additional 5 minutes and include Bert Moore, Martin Burke and Kevin Weber. Motion carried. (6-0)

At 9:04 p.m. Eubank exited the meeting.

At 9:06 p.m. Eubank returned to the meeting.

At 9:06 p.m. the Board reconvened into open session at which time a motion was made by Hilton and seconded by Denton to continue the session for an additional 10 minutes and include Bert Moore, Martin Burke and Kevin Weber. Motion carried. (6-0)

At 9:16 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 10 minutes and include Bert Moore, Martin Burke and Kevin Weber. Motion carried. (6-0)

At 9:20 p.m. Moore, Burke and Weber exited the meeting.

At 9:26 p.m. Moore returned to the meeting.

At 9:27 p.m. the Board reconvened into open session at which time a motion was made by Hilton and seconded by Denton to continue the session for an additional 5 minutes and include Bert Moore. Motion carried. (6-0)

At 9:32 p.m. the Board reconvened into open session.

**ACTION ITEMS**

**A. Personnel:**

Eubank moved to approve the requests to hire as follows: Stacie Olsman, West Elk Paraprofessional; Jennifer Cullison, CCC Paraprofessional; Sharee Buchanan, CCC Paraprofessional; Linda Adams, Elk Valley Special Education Teacher; Debbie Simmons, National Honor Society; Christy Tyler, Co-Pay Director and Emily Hein, Assistant Junior Class Sponsor. Hare seconded and the motion passed. (6-0)

Black moved to accept the resignation of Bonnie Fitzhugh, Elk Valley Paraprofessional. Hare seconded and the motion passed. (6-0)

**B. Students:**

Hare moved to approve the attached list of out of district students wishing to attend West Elk. Denton seconded and the motion passed. (6-0)

**A. Personnel continued:**

Black moved to increase the Superintendent salary \$2500.00 for the 2015-16 school year. Eubank seconded and the motion passed. (6-0)

At 9:35 p.m. Hilton adjourned the meeting.

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**PRESIDENT OF THE BOARD**

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**CLERK OF THE BOARD**

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