

MINUTES-of the regular Monday, April 9, 2018, meeting of the West Elk USD #282 Board of Education, at 7:00 p.m. at the West Elk District Office, Howard, Kansas.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT

Panatha "Penny" Swanson
Tyson Denton, Vice-President
Tom Eubank
Shelly Hare
Matthew C. Hilton
Tyson Wilson

ADMINISTRATION

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

OTHERS

Ed Price
Zach Fry
Lyle Riggs
Tessa Riggs

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT

Richard Fechter

At 7:00 p.m., President Swanson called the meeting to order by reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

II. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA.

Hilton moved to adopt the agenda as printed. Wilson seconded and the motion passed. (6-0)

III. CONSENT AGENDA

Eubank moved to approve the consent agenda as follows:

- A. Approval of Minutes, Regular Meeting March 12, 2018;
- B. Approval of Bills, Payroll and Treasurer's Report
Bills: \$159,634.29 Payroll: \$439,670.65
- C. Donation: Donor's Choose – Laura Miller \$298.68; and
- D. Donation: Donor's Choose – Amaris Hawkins \$254.90

Denton seconded and the motion passed. (6-0)

IV. DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS:

A. NCA Cheerleading Camp at Baker University July 13-15 – Martin Burke:

Burke reviewed the agenda for the Cheer camp at Baker University. Hilton moved to approve the cheerleaders and their sponsor attending the camp at Baker University July 13 -15, 2018. Denton seconded and the motion passed. (6-0)

B. Maintenance – Ed Price:

Price presented the quote from Wichita Fence in the amount of \$24,133.39 to replace the entire stadium fence from the maintenance shed north to the storage containers.

After discussion, Hilton moved to table until other bids are received. Motion died for lack of second.

Hare moved to seek bids to replace the stadium fence. Swanson seconded and the motion passed. (6-0)

C. Pole Vault Pit/Track – Ed Price & Martin Burke:

The condition of the track was discussed as it needs repaired and will eventually need to be replaced. West Elk is not offering pole vault this year as the existing pit is not safe. By Board consensus, Mr. Moore will research possible grants and the cost involved to repair the track and to replace the pole vault pit.

D. Technology – Zach Fry:

Fry reported that E-Rate form 471 has been filed for Category I and II. State assessments are going well.

E. Transportation – Bert Moore & Lyle Riggs:

The condition and needed repairs of the aging bus fleet was discussed at length.

F. Bus Leasing – Bert Moore:

After discussion, Mr. Moore suggested that a committee of three BOE members be appointed to review and investigate all options regarding transportation. Swanson appointed Denton, Wilson and Hilton to serve on the Transportation Committee. Also appointed were Christy Tyler and Lyle Riggs.

G. Rural Opportunity Zone – Tyson Denton:

The Board briefly discussed the ROZ (Rural Opportunity Zone). More information will be collected and presented at the May meeting.

H. KASB Dues for 2018-19 and Legal Assistance Fund:

Eubank moved to approve KASB Membership renewal for 2018-19 in the amount of \$5652.44 and Legal Assistance Fund Renewal for 2018-19 in the amount of \$2100.00. Hare seconded and the motion passed. (6-0)

I. Principal Report – Martin Burke:

Burke reported that data for the KESA process is being finalized via focus groups – staff, parent and student surveys regarding the five R's. OVT visit is scheduled in May. BYOC is still being worked on and some staff are ready to publish.

J. Superintendent Report – Bert Moore:

Moore reported:

1. The school website needs improved. After discussion the Board directed Moore to investigate costs involved in hiring a vendor or hiring an employee to set up and maintain the website.
2. SB 423 was discussed.

At 8:38 p.m. Swanson declared a 5 minute break.

At 8:43 p.m. Swanson called the meeting back to order

EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 8:44 p.m., Denton moved to go into executive session to discuss matters of non-elected personnel, to protect the privacy interests of identifiable individuals to be discussed pursuant to the non-elected personnel exception under KOMA; negotiations to protect the public interest in negotiating a fair and equitable contract pursuant to the exception for employer-employee negotiations under KOMA; to include Bert Moore and Martin Burke for 20 minutes and that the open meeting shall resume at 9:04 p.m. in the board room. Hilton seconded and the motion passed. (6-0)

At 9:04 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 resume into open session at 9:09 p.m. and include Bert Moore and Martin Burke. Motion carried. (6-0)

At 9:10 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 resume into open session at 9:15 p.m. and include Bert Moore and Martin Burke. Motion carried. (6-0)

At 9:15 p.m. the Board reconvened into open session.

ACTION ITEMS

A. Board Action on Personnel:

Hilton moved to accept the resignations of Jesse Chris Jeffery, CCC 7-12 IRR Teacher effective May 18, 2018 and Nancy Gronau, CCC Part time Gifted Facilitator effective May 18, 2018. Wilson seconded and the motion passed. (6-0)

Hare moved to offer employment as follows: Jeff House, CCC Grade 7-12 IRR Teacher for 2018-19; Keaton McCracken, WE Social Science Teacher for 2018-19 and Austin Filtenburger – CCC Paraprofessional effective April 4, 2018. Denton seconded and the motion passed. (6-0)

Eubank moved to Non-Renew the following teachers for 2018-19: Toni Mitchell, CCC IRR Teacher; Michelle Medlin, WE Grade 5 Teacher and Arlecia Elkamil, WE Music Teacher. Wilson seconded and the motion passed. (5-1) Hilton voted no.

At 9:18 p.m. Swanson adjourned the meeting.

PANATHA JO SWANSON, PRESIDENT

PAULA C. McALISTER, Board Clerk

TYSON R. DENTON, Vice-President

THOMAS EUBANK, Board Member

RICHARD H. FECHTER, Board Member

SHELLY HARE, Board Member

MATTHEW C. HILTON, Board Member

TYSON WILSON, Board Member

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