

**Unofficial Minutes of the Regular Meeting
of the Board of Education of U.S.D. No. 403,
Rush County, Kansas, on July 13, 2015**

The Otis-Bison U.S.D. No. 403 Board of Education meeting was called to order on July 13, 2015 at 7:30 p.m. by Chairman, Bernard Juno. At the roll call, five board members were present. Superintendent Piper was present. Patrons present were Sarah Gregory and Scott Higgason.

The Chairperson asked for nominations for Chairperson for the 2015-16 school year. Gary Yost moved, seconded by Amanda Wiltse, to nominate Bernard Juno as Chairperson. Motion vote was: Affirmative 4, Negative 1. (Bernard Juno abstained.)

Motion made by Amy Blackburn, seconded by Camie Hlavaty, to nominate Gary Yost as Vice-Chairperson. Motion vote was: Affirmative 4, Negative 1. (Gary Yost abstained.)

There was no public open forum.

Superintendent Piper reported on the following:

- Progress of summer cleaning
- Completion of water leak repairs
- Completion of Golden Belt Telephone wiring at High School
- Problems with phone system at Elementary School
- Discovery of two dents in the Dodge Caravan
- Condition of the John Deere 855 Mower
- Rain guttering on South side of gym to be replaced
- Pre-School enrollment figures
- Getting bids to replace remaining 18 windows on High School building

The board discussed the letter from SouthWinds Academy.

Sarah Gregory gave a Technology Report, which included:

- Completion of Golden Belt wiring project
- Progress of Hank Highfill and Jerry Butler as new technology support
- Purchase of 80 Lenova Chromebooks
- New Chromebook Contract

Motion made by Bernard Juno to approve the consensus items, except 6.19 – Establish a Budget Hearing to be held at the District Office on August 10, 2015 at 7:00 p.m. Motion seconded by Gary Yost. Motion vote was: Affirmative 5, Negative 0. (Applicable resolutions attached and hereby made a part of these minutes.)

Bernard Juno moved, seconded by Amanda Wiltse, to amend the agenda by making Item V – Consideration of Approval of Date Change for August Budget Meeting and Regular Meeting and moving remaining items down. Motion vote was: Affirmative 5, Negative 0.

Camie Hlavaty moved, seconded by Amanda Wiltse, to approve the July 13, 2015 agenda as amended. Motion vote was: Affirmative 5, Negative 0.

Motion made by Gary Yost, seconded by Camie Hlavaty, to approve the June 8, 2015 regular board meeting minutes, the June 29, 2015 special board meeting minutes, treasurer's report, accounts payable, activity funds and petty cash fund. Motion vote was: Affirmative 5, Negative 0.

Scott Higgason, Agency One, went over the insurance proposal for 2015-16 with the board. Motion made by Gary Yost, seconded by Amy Blackburn, to accept the 2015-16 insurance bid from Agency One. Motion vote was: Affirmative 5, Negative 0.

There was no action on Item C – Consideration of Approval of Appointment of New Board Member to Position #3, Pleasantdale, Grant and Walnut districts.

Motion made by Camie Hlavaty, seconded by Amanda Wiltse, to approve the resignation of Ted Bannister as board member effective June 9, 2015. Motion vote was: Affirmative 5, Negative 0.

Motion made by Gary Yost, seconded by Amy Blackburn, to approve the Board Vacancy Resolution – Position No. 1, Illinois, Lone Star and Banner Districts. Motion vote was: Affirmative 5, Negative 0.

Camie Hlavaty moved, seconded by Amy Blackburn, to approve the resignation of Amanda Wiltse as Board Member. Motion vote was: Affirmative 4, Negative 1. (Amanda Wiltse abstained.)

Motion made by Camie Hlavaty, seconded by Amanda Wiltse, to approve the Board Vacancy Resolution – Position No. 5, Pioneer and Garfield District. Motion vote was: Affirmative 5, Negative 0.

Amanda Wiltse moved, seconded by Gary Yost, to approve the purchase of Chromebook covers with handles for no more than a total of \$3,000.00. Motion vote was: Affirmative 5, Negative 0.

Motion made by Amanda Wiltse, seconded by Amy Blackburn, to approve the Chromebook Contract Policy as amended. Motion vote was: Affirmative 5, Negative 0.

The board discussed the first reading of board policies DC, GAAB, GAAC, GAAF, GAOE, JBC, JCDBB, JCE, JGEC, KBA, KGD and KN. No action was taken.

Motion made by Bernard Juno, seconded by Camie Hlavaty, to go into executive session for ten (10) minutes with the board, Superintendent Piper and Janice Pivonka, to discuss personnel matters of nonelected personnel and to protect the privacy interests of the individual(s) to be discussed and that we return to open session in this room at 9:35 p.m. Motion vote was: Affirmative 5, Negative 0.

The meeting was resumed at 9:35 p.m.

Motion made by Amy Blackburn, seconded by Amanda Wiltse, to approve the Out-of-District applications as listed. Motion vote was: Affirmative 5, Negative 0. Out-of-District applications approved were Cora Anderson, Clade Anderson, Wyatt Andrews, Aleesha Moeder, Michael Bahr, Thomas Bahr, Sebastien Frost, Baylie Fyler, Thomas Gawith, Kegan Gawith, JoDe McCallie, Marissa Pechanec, Caitlyn Schilowsky, and Troy Yarmer.

Gary Yost moved, seconded by Amy Blackburn, to approve the invoice from Apex in the amount of \$12,500.00 for twelve month unlimited enrollment for virtual classes. Motion vote was: Affirmative 5, Negative 0.

Motion made by Camie Hlavaty, seconded by Amanda Wiltse, to approve the invoice from Lamunyon in the amount of \$3,555.33 for water and mold removal. Motion vote was: Affirmative 5, Negative 0.

Motion made by Gary Yost, seconded by Bernard Juno, to approve the purchase of twelve Chromebooks for SouthWinds Academy. Motion vote was: Affirmative 5, Negative 0.

Discussion was held on the 2015-16 preliminary budget. No action was taken.

Motion made by Gary Yost, seconded by Amy Blackburn, to approve the Media Release Form as presented. Motion vote was: Affirmative 5, Negative 0.

Motion made by Amy Blackburn, seconded by Camie Hlavaty, to table Item P – Consideration of Approval of SouthWinds Academy Handbook. Motion vote was: Affirmative 5, Negative 0.

There was no action taken on Item R – Consideration of Approval of Change to Technology Fees.

Motion made by Gary Yost, seconded by Amanda Wiltse, to approve taking the old technology items to Acme Iron. Motion vote was: Affirmative 5, Negative 0.

Camie Hlavaty moved, seconded by Mandy Wiltse to go into executive session for fifteen (15) minutes with the board and Superintendent Piper to discuss personnel matters of nonelected personnel and to protect the privacy interests of the individual(s) to be discussed and that we return to open session in this room at 10:23 p.m. Motion vote was: Affirmative 5, Negative 0.

The meeting was resumed at 10:23 p.m.

Motion made by Gary Yost, seconded by Amy Blackburn, to offer a contract to Brian Williams for Music Instructor. Motion vote was: Affirmative 5, Negative 0.

Motion made by Amanda Wiltse, seconded by Camie Hlavaty, to offer a contract to Tim Markloff for Industrial Arts. Motion vote was: Affirmative 5, Negative 0.

No action was taken on After-School contracts.

Camie Hlavaty moved, seconded by Gary Yost, to approve the updated Supplemental List. Motion vote was: Affirmative 5, Negative 0. Contracts approved were Stan Ewy – Assistant High School Girls' Basketball Coach and Chelsea Pechanec and Rachel Sennett as PDC Co-Chairmen.

Motion made by Amy Blackburn, seconded by Amanda Wiltse, to go into executive session for five (5) minutes with the board and Superintendent Piper to protect the public interest in negotiating a fair and equitable contract and that we return to open session in this room at 10:32 p.m. Motion vote was: Affirmative 5, Negative 0.

The meeting was resumed at 10:32 p.m.

Motion made by Bernard Juno, seconded by Amy Blackburn, to go into executive session for ten (10) minutes with the board and Superintendent Piper to protect the public interest in negotiating a fair and equitable contract and that we return to open session in this room at 10:43 p.m. Motion vote was: Affirmative 5, Negative 0.

The meeting was resumed at 10:43 p.m. No action resulted from the executive sessions.

Motion made by Amy Blackburn, seconded by Camie Hlavaty, to move the August 10, 2015 budget and regular meeting to August 11, 2015. Budget meeting will be at 7:00 p.m. and regular meeting will be at 7:30 p.m. Motion vote was: Affirmative 5, Negative 0.

Amanda Wiltse moved to adjourn. Gary Yost seconded the motion. Motion vote was: Affirmative 5, Negative 0.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:46 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted:

Chairperson

Janice M. Pivonka, Clerk