

**Unofficial Minutes of the Regular Meeting  
of the Board of Education of U.S.D. No. 403,  
Rush County, Kansas, on March 9, 2015**

The Otis-Bison U.S.D. No. 403 Board of Education meeting was called to order on March 9, 2015 at 7:30 p.m. by Chairman, Bernard Juno. At roll call, there were six board members present. Amy Blackburn was absent. Superintendent Piper and Principal Goodheart were present. Patrons present were Milt Dougherty, Shannon Buckman, Sarah Gregory, Danielle Espinosa and Cathy Ochs.

There was no public open forum.

Motion made by Gary Yost, seconded by Amanda Wiltse, to approve the agenda for March 9, 2015. Motion vote was: Affirmative 6, Negative 0.

Superintendent Piper's report included the following:

- Teleconference on Block Grant Proposal
- Progress of getting buses for sale on Purple Wave
- School Web Site
- 2015-16 Special Education Cost Proposals
- 2015-16 Blue Cross/Blue Shield Rates
- 2015-16 E-Rate Decreases

Principal Goodheart's report included:

- Status of letting Sophomores and Juniors out early based on grades the first 3 and 9 weeks in areas normally tested at state level
- Quotes received from GBT for safety issues

Dr. Milt Dougherty and Shannon Buckman were present to discuss the SouthWinds Academy. Dr. Dougherty discussed the audit results and informed the board that U.S.D. 403 was appealing to the state to get the alternative students classified as homeless in order to get weighting for them. He discussed with the board the possibility of implementing a virtual school with YongDing School in China. This would be a tuition based program, since these students would not receive state funding.

Shannon Buckman discussed the possible additional of between 30-40 students for the 2015-16 school year. She also asked the board about the possibility of implementing the Work Keys of Kansas Program. This is a test given to seniors. Depending on how they score on the test, they are given a work ready certificate.

Superintendent Piper informed the board that the budget will need to be republished.

Superintendent Piper discussed summer school with the board.

Sarah Gregory gave a technology report, which included quotes from GBT to replace wiring in each building; technology fees implementation; and, laptop and iPad inventories.

Motion made by Camie Hlavaty, seconded by Ted Bannister, to approve the February 9, 2015 regular board meeting minutes, treasurer's report, accounts payable, activity funds and petty cash fund. Motion vote was: Affirmative 6, Negative 0.

Motion made by Gary Yost, seconded by Ted Bannister, to approve the 2015-16 school calendar as presented. Motion vote was: Affirmative 6, Negative 0. (Copy of calendar attached and hereto made a part of these minutes.)

Ted Bannister moved, seconded by Amanda Wiltse, to approve the Resolution for Destruction of Records. Motion vote was: Affirmative 6, Negative 0. (Copy of Resolution attached and hereto made a part of these minutes.)

Gary Yost moved, seconded by Verla King, to allow the seniors to purchase their iPads at a cost of \$100.00. Motion vote was: Affirmative 6, Negative 0.

Motion made by Gary Yost, seconded by Ted Bannister, to approve the Capital Outlay Resolution. Motion vote was: Affirmative 6, Negative 0. (Copy of Resolution attached and hereto made a part of these minutes.)

Superintendent Piper discussed possible budget cuts with the board. No action resulted from this discussion.

Camie Hlavaty moved, seconded by Gary Yost, to approve getting applications for summer help. Motion vote was: Affirmative 6, Negative 0.

There was no action taken on Item H – Consideration of Approval of Possible Change to 2014-15 School Calendar.

Gary Yost moved, seconded by Ted Bannister, to go into executive session for twenty (20) minutes with the board and calling in Superintendent Piper and Principal Goodheart as needed, 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 10:24 p.m. Motion vote was: Affirmative 6, Negative 0.

The meeting was resumed at 10:24 p.m.

Bernard Juno moved, seconded by Camie Hlavaty, to go into executive session for twenty (20) minutes with the board and Principal Goodheart and calling in Superintendent Piper as needed, 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 10:45 p.m. Motion vote was: Affirmative 6, Negative 0.

The meeting was resumed at 10:45 p.m.

Camie Hlavaty moved, seconded by Ted Bannister, to go into executive session for twenty (20) minutes with the board, calling in Principal Goodheart and Superintendent Piper as needed, 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 11:05 p.m. Motion vote was: Affirmative 6, Negative 0.

The meeting was resumed at 11:05 p.m.

Bernard Juno moved, seconded by Ted Bannister, to go into executive session for twenty (20) minutes with the board and calling in Superintendent Piper and Principal Goodheart as needed, 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 11:26 p.m. Motion vote was: Affirmative 6, Negative 0.

The meeting was resumed at 11:26 p.m.

Ted Bannister moved, seconded by Bernard Juno, to go into executive session for ten (10) minutes with the board and calling in Superintendent Piper and Principal Goodheart as needed, 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 11:38 p.m. Motion vote was: Affirmative 6, Negative 0.

The meeting was resumed at 11:38 p.m.

Motion made by Ted Bannister, seconded by Gary Yost, to approve a one (1) year contract extension for Superintendent Piper. Motion vote was: Affirmative 6, Negative 0.

Camie Hlavaty moved, seconded by Amanda Wiltse, to approve a one (1) year contract extension to Mark Goodheart. Motion vote was: Affirmative 6, Negative 0.

The position for mowing and painting the football field will be advertised.

No action was taken on teacher evaluations, teaching position and coaching positions.

There was no action on Negotiations.

Amanda Wiltse moved to adjourn. Verla King seconded the motion. Motion vote was: Affirmative 6, Negative 0.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:39 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted:

Chairperson

Janice M. Pivonka, Clerk