

**UNOFFICIAL MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF U.S.D. NO. 403,
RUSH COUNTY, KANSAS ON JULY 10, 2017**

The Otis-Bison U.S.D. No. 403 Board of Education meeting was called to order on July 10, 2017 at 7:30 p.m. by President, Bernard Juno. At the roll call, six board members were present. Camie Hlavaty was absent. Superintendent Lowry and Principal Goodheart were present, along with patrons Hank Highfill and Scott Higgason.

Nominations were requested for President of the Board of Education for the 2017-18 school year. Gary Yost nominated Bernard Juno as President of the Board of Education. Pam Welsh moved, seconded by Gary Yost, that nominations cease. Motion vote was Affirmative 6, Negative 0.

Gary Yost moved, seconded by Pam Welsh, to approve Bernard Juno as Board President. Motion vote was: Affirmative 5, Negative 1. (Bernard Juno abstained.)

Bernard Juno nominated Gary Yost as Vice-President of the Board of Education. Bernard Juno moved, seconded by Pam Welsh, that nominations cease and we cast a unanimous ballot for Gary Yost as Vice-President. Motion vote was: Affirmative 6, Negative 0.

There was no public open forum.

Superintendent Lowry informed the board on the following:

- Changes to the executive session motions as per H.B. 2301
- State revenue up \$72 million in June
- Busses being advertised on Purple Wave
- Status of leased busses
- Completion of pre-school grant application
- Spraying of trees around High School
- Hail damage on school building roofs

Principal Goodheart reported on a possible English teacher.

Hank Highfills' Technology Report included:

- Completion of wiring project at Elementary School
- ISTE Conference attended in San Antonio, Texas

Southwinds Academy report included:

- Consideration of ESSDACK Learning Center using SWA for virtual courses
- Possibility of dropping one facility serviced by SWA

Motion made by Gary Yost to approve the consensus items as presented. Motion seconded by Pam Welsh. Motion vote was: Affirmative 6, Negative 0. (Applicable resolutions attached and hereby made a part of these minutes.)

Everett Royer moved, seconded by Robert Mitchell, to approve the July 10, 2017 agenda as presented. Motion vote was: Affirmative 6, Negative 0.

Motion made by Karen Maier, seconded by Gary Yost, to approve the June 12, 2017 regular board meeting minutes and the June 22, 2017 special board meeting minutes, the treasurer's report, accounts payable, activity funds and petty cash fund as presented. Motion vote was: Affirmative 6, Negative 0.

Scott Higgason, Agency One, reviewed the insurance proposal for 2017-18 with the board. Motion made by Everett Royer, seconded by Robert Mitchell, to accept the 2017-18 insurance bid from Agency One in the amount of \$73,370.00. Motion vote was: Affirmative 6, Negative 0.

Motion made by Gary Yost that USD #403 apply for the Kansas Can School Initiative with the option to withdraw if selected. Motion died for a lack of a second.

Karen Maier moved to approve the Jr./Sr. High Handbook as presented. Motion seconded by Pam Welsh. Motion vote was: Affirmative 6, Negative 0.

Motion made by Karen Maier, seconded by Pam Welsh, to approve the Elementary School Handbook as presented. Motion vote was: Affirmative 6, Negative 0.

Motion made by Everett Royer, seconded by Pam Welsh, to approve the Southwinds Academy Handbook as presented. Motion vote was: Affirmative 6, Negative 0.

Pam Welsh moved, seconded by Robert Mitchell, to approve Myers-Stevens & Toohey & Co. as our Student Insurance provider at a cost of \$6,435.45. Motion vote was: Affirmative 6, Negative 0.

Motion made by Gary Yost, seconded by Everett Royer, to table Item H - Consideration of Approval of Contract for Education First, LLC to a later date. Motion vote was: Affirmative 6, Negative 0.

Motion made by Gary Yost, seconded by Everett Royer, to adopt the Faculty and Staff Technology and Internet Acceptable Use Policy as presented. Motion vote was: Affirmative 6, Negative 0.

Karen Maier moved, seconded by Pam Welsh, to approve the out-of-district applications as presented. Motion vote was: Affirmative 6, Negative 0. Applications approved were: Michael Bahr, Thomas Bahr, Jodie Baalman, Johannah Baalman, Jace Baalman, Sebastien Frost, Kegan Gawith, Thomas Gawith, Jode McCallie, Shaylyn McNett, Marissa Pechanec, Kaitlyn Pechanec, Kylie Reeves, Preston Ross, Travis Ross, Grantley Sinn, and Aiden Suppes.

Gary Yost moved, seconded by Everett Royer, to join Schools for Quality Education for the 2017-18 school year. Motion vote was: Affirmative 6, Negative 0.

The board reviewed the first reading of board policies DFAC - Federal Fiscal Compliance, GAN - Travel Reimbursement - Federal Programs, JGCA - Local Wellness and JGHB - Vending Machines and Other Automated Play Machines. There was no action taken.

Superintendent Lowry discussed bus drivers, bus procedures, and transportation procedures. No action was taken on bus drivers and bus procedures.

Karen Maier moved to approve to discontinue supervision of students at Bison in the mornings. Robert Mitchell seconded the motion. Motion vote was: Affirmative 6, Negative 0.

Superintendent Lowry addressed the board concerning Maintenance of Vehicles Contract. Robert Mitchell declared a conflict of interest and left the meeting at 9:48 p.m., returning at 9:59 p.m. following the discussion.

Motion made by Everett Royer, seconded by Gary Yost, to approve renewal of the maintenance contract with Crazy 8. Motion vote was: Affirmative 5, Negative 1. (Robert Mitchell abstained.)

Superintendent Lowry discussed custodial procedures with the board. It was left up to Superintendent Lowry to handle routine checks during the weekends at the schools.

Karen Maier moved, seconded by Pam Welsh, to set August 7, 2017 at 7:00 a.m. for a special meeting for preliminary budget for publication. Motion vote was: Affirmative 6, Negative 0.

Motion made by Everett Royer, seconded by Pam Welsh, to have a special meeting for Budget Hearing/Strategic Planning Goal Setting on August 22, 2017 at 7:00 p.m. Motion vote was: Affirmative 6, Negative 0.

Karen Maier moved, seconded by Bernard Juno, to approve the Resolution to Establish Meeting Dates, Time and Location for 2017-18, changing the monthly meetings for November, December, January and February to start at 6:30 p.m. and changing the January 8, 2018 date to January 10, 2018. Motion vote was: Affirmative 6, Negative 0. (Resolution is attached and hereby made a part of these minutes.

The board reviewed the first reading of board policy EE - Food Services Management. There was no action taken.

Gary Yost moved, seconded by Pam Welsh, to approve the school nurse contracts for Pam Stiles and Mary Rooney for the 2017-18 school year. Motion vote was: Affirmative 6, Negative 0.

Motion made by Karen Maier, seconded by Robert Mitchell, to approve the updated Supplemental List as presented. Motion vote was: Affirmative 6, Negative 0. (Supplemental List attached and made a part of these minutes.)

Motion made by Bernard Juno, seconded by Gary Yost, to go into executive session for five (5) minutes with the board and Superintendent Lowry to discuss the latest proposal for increasing the base pay rate from the teachers, pursuant to the exception for employer-employee negotiations under KOMA and the open meeting will resume in the boardroom at 10:34 p.m. Motion vote was: Affirmative 6, Negative 0.

The meeting was resumed at 10:34 p.m. No action was taken.

Everett Royer moved to adjourn. Robert Mitchell seconded the motion. Motion vote was: Affirmative 6, Negative 0.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:38 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted:

Chairperson

Janice M. Pivonka, Clerk

Attachments are on following page.

The following links will only be viewable by U.S.D. 403 staff and BOE.

[Activity and Club Sponsors](#)

[Resolution for Rescinding Policy Statements Found in Board Minutes](#)

[Resolution to Establish Activity Fund at Elementary School](#)

[Resolution to Establish Activity Fund at Jr./Sr. High School](#)

[Resolution to Establish Meeting Dates, Times and Location for 2017-18](#)

[Resolution to Establish Petty Cash Funds](#)