

**UNOFFICIAL MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING  
OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF U.S.D. NO. 403,  
RUSH COUNTY, KANSAS ON AUGUST 8, 2016**

The Otis-Bison U.S.D. 403 Board of Education meeting was called to order on August 8, 2016 at 7:30 p.m. by Bernard Juno, Chairman. At roll call, seven board members were present. Also present were Superintendent Lowry, Principal Goodheart and patrons Hank Highfill and Kristi Butler.

There was no public open forum.

Superintendent Lowry reported on the following:

- SouthWinds Academy expenses for 2014-15 and 2015-16. It was suggested that we get monthly reports from Milt Dougherty, Principal of SouthWinds Academy.
- Bison gym floor.
- In-Service and Teacher Work Day are the same dates as the Hoisington calendar. Superintendent Lowry will be sharing his time between the two schools on those days.
- CrisisGo webinar will be August 12, 2016.
- Election results.
- Technology - Hank Highfill updated the board on the wiring projects at the High School and the Elementary School.

Principal Goodheart reported on the following:

- Enrollment at the High School and Elementary School.
- Number of pre-school students.
- Need a SADD and Scholar's Bowl sponsor for 2016-17.
- Concern regarding mosquitoes at the football field.
- Scheduling of classes for Junior High students regarding football practices at LaCrosse.
- Chromebooks will be handed out to students on Friday, August 19, 2016.

Motion made by Everett Royer, seconded by Robert Mitchell, to approve the minutes of July 11, 2016 and July 21, 2016 as presented. Motion vote was: Affirmative 7, Negative 0.

Camie Hlavaty moved, seconded by Pam Welsh, to approve the Treasurer's Report, Accounts Payable, Activity Funds and Petty Cash Fund. Motion vote was: Affirmative 7, Negative 0.

The budget hearing was opened to public comment. After no comments the Superintendent reviewed the 2016-2017 budget. Karen Maier moved, seconded by Gary Yost, to approve the 2016-2017 budget as published. Motion vote was: Affirmative 7, Negative 0.

Hank Highfill reviewed the proposed changes to the Chromebook Policy. Gary Yost moved, seconded by Everett Royer, to approve the Chromebook Policy as presented.

The board considered the first reading of Board Policy DJFA - Purchasing Authority. No action was taken.

Motion made by Gary Yost, seconded by Camie Hlavaty, to approve the 2016-2017 Classified Handbook as presented. Motion vote was: Affirmative 7, Negative 0.

Karen Maier moved, seconded by Gary Yost, to approve the Online Student Agreement as presented. Motion vote was: Affirmative 7, Negative 0.

Motion made by Robert Mitchell, seconded by Everett Royer, to approve the Out-of-District applications as presented. Motion vote was: Affirmative 7, Negative 0. (Applications were approved for Ana Soria, Thomas Gawith, Kegan Gawith, Mollie Georg, Danica Vap and Jayce Kohls.)

Motion made by Karen Maier, seconded by Gary Yost, to approve the Out-of-District School Attendance and Transportation Application as presented. Motion vote was: Affirmative 7, Negative 0. (Application approved for Clade and Cora Anderson.)

Superintendent Lowry discussed Web School Tools for Board Meetings versus using Google Drive for board documents. It was determined to use Google Drive for board documents. Since there is no cost to using Google Drive, no action was taken. Board documents will be sent out next month using Google Drive.

Motion made by Camie Hlavaty, seconded by Pam Welsh, to go into executive session for twenty (20) minutes with the board and Superintendent Lowry to discuss personnel matters of non-elected personnel to protect the privacy interests of the individuals to be discussed and that we return to open session in this room at 8:54 p.m. Motion vote was: Affirmative 7, Negative 0.

The meeting was resumed 8:54 p.m.

Motion made by Bernard Juno, seconded by Robert Mitchell, to go into executive session for twenty (20) minutes with the board and Superintendent Lowry to discuss personnel matters of non-elected personnel to protect the privacy interests of the individuals to be discussed and that we return to open session in this room at 9:10 p.m. Motion vote was: Affirmative 7, Negative 0.

The meeting was resumed 9:10 p.m.

Gary Yost moved, seconded by Everett Royer, to approve a contract for John Besperat as bus driver for the 2016-2017 school year with salary to be determined. Motion vote was: Affirmative 7, Negative 0.

Camie Hlavaty moved, seconded by Robert Mitchell, to approve the classified salaries as amended. Motion vote was: Affirmative 7, Negative 0.

Motion made by Gary Yost, seconded by Pam Welsh, to approve the salaries for Working After Retirement employees as presented. Motion vote was: Affirmative 7, Negative 0.

Motion made by Gary Yost, seconded by Karen Maier, to approve the 2016-2017 Negotiated Agreement. Motion vote was: Affirmative 7, Negative 0.

Karen Maier moved to adjourn. Camie Hlavaty seconded the motion. Motion vote was: Affirmative 7, Negative 0. The meeting was adjourned at 9:15 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted:

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Chairperson

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Janice Pivonka, Clerk