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**UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT #274  
BOARD OF EDUCATION**

**MINUTES OF MARCH 14, 2011**

**REGULAR BOARD MEETING**

President Raelene Keller called the regular meeting of the Board of Education to order on Monday, March 14, 2011 at 6:00PM in the District Office.

Members Present: Scott Maurath, Sharon Boyd, Tim Hubert, Debbie Runnalls, & Anita Gabel. Eric Sperber entered the meeting at 6:02PM.

Others Present: Superintendent, Bill Steiner; Treasurer, Kerri Scheetz.

Staff Members: Principal's Fred Teeter & Rob Sattler.

Others: Crystal Rucker

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Boyd moved and Gabel seconded the motion to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried 6-0.

Sperber entered the meeting.

**MEETING WITH PATRONS OR OTHERS**

**REPORT AND PRESENTATION OF BUSINESS OF SUPERINTENDENT**

Mr. Steiner discussed the possibility of letting the students out of school earlier in May. At this point we have approximately 3 ½ extra days built in the school year. If we do not have any more snow days, we could possibly dismiss the students on May 19<sup>th</sup>. He wanted to wait until the April board meeting to make any decisions.

Steiner attended the Kansas Missouri Superintendent Forum, and stated they had a very good speaker. Technology in the classroom and the affordability of the technology was discussed at his meeting. The presenter brought up the idea of allowing students to bring their technology to the school to be used in the classroom.

**PRINCIPALS' REPORT**

Mr. Sattler started Assessments in the middle school. He passed out a handout on AYP Targets. There have been a few league meetings, the constitution has been amended and Sharon Springs, Dighton, Tribune and Leoti were invited to join the league.

Mr. Teeter shared that Rod Huffman asked about using the Plainsmen logo as they are looking at repainting the water tower. It was the consensus of the board that it was a great idea. The Highway Patrol has contacted us and we are a part of the SAFE program encouraging students to wear their seatbelts. About 48% of students wore their seatbelts the two days students were observed. They have asked students to sign

pledge cards to wear their seatbelts and prizes will be awarded to those who are wearing seatbelts. March 22 is the high school forensics meet and begins at 3 pm. The high school would like to be dismissed at 2 pm to get the rooms ready for competition. The board agreed to allow the high school to dismiss at 2 pm. High school did start the Reading Assessments.

### **BOARD REPORTS**

Keller reported the Region 9 meeting we were going to host has been cancelled. She encouraged the new board members to attend the New Board Member Workshop that is scheduled on April 18, 2011 and the NKESC.

Boyd attended the NKESC board meeting. She encouraged someone to go with her before she gets off the board so they can be familiar with the process that goes on there.

### **CONSENT AGENDA**

Sperber moved and Runnalls seconded the motion to approve the consent agenda as follows:

Approve the minutes of the February 14, 2011 meeting as presented.

Approve the warrants in the amount of \$174,374.97.

Motion carried 7-0.

### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

#### **CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS**

Mr. Steiner would like to know which direction they would like to go with the bus.

Discussion held.

The board is interested in getting at least 1 bus. Mr. Steiner will get Hubert and Maurath information for them to discuss before the next meeting.

Discussion also held on summer improvement projects.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

#### **PERSONNEL**

Boyd moved and Gabel seconded the motion to go into executive session for the purpose of discussing personnel matters for non-elected personnel and that the board returns to the open meeting at 7 PM in this room. The executive session is required to protect the privacy interests of an identifiable individual. Motion carried 7-0. Mr. Steiner entered executive session at 6:55 pm. Mr. Sattler entered at 6:57 pm.

The board returned to open meeting at 7 PM with no action taken in executive session.

Sperber moved and Hubert seconded the motion to go into executive session for the purpose of discussing personnel matters for non-elected personnel and that the board returns to the open meeting at 7:15 PM in this room. The executive session is required to protect the privacy interests of an identifiable individual. Motion carried 7-0 with Mr. Steiner and Mr. Sattler present in executive session.

The board returned to open meeting at 7:15 PM with no action taken in executive session.

Gabel moved and Hubert seconded the motion to go into executive session for the purpose of discussing personnel matters for non-elected personnel and that the board

returns to the open meeting at 7:30 PM in this room. The executive session is required to protect the privacy interests of an identifiable individual. Motion carried 7-0 with Mr. Steiner & Mr. Sattler present in executive session. Mr. Sattler left and Mr. Teeter entered executive session at 7:18 pm. Mr. Teeter left executive session at 7:26 pm. The board returned to open meeting at 7:30 PM with no action taken in executive session.

Boyd moved and Maurath seconded the motion to hire Ashley Helpingstine as the elementary custodian, salary as recommended. Motion carried 7-0.

Boyd moved and Sperber seconded the motion to hire the summer maintenance help as recommended. Motion carried 7-0.

### **HIGH SCHOOL & MIDDLE SCHOOL LEAGUE DISCUSSION**

Discussion held regarding the previous league meetings held since the last board meeting and the invitations offered to additional schools. Options of MCL and GWAC are possible league options after next year.

Keller asked the opinions of both principals.

Mr. Sattler does not want to leave the league, but wouldn't mind going to the MCL, as there are more schools our size.

Mr. Teeter does not think that the GWAC would be a good fit. He feels there is nothing to lose staying with the NWKL as we can always get out anytime; we are already working with the MCL and plan to have a joint NWKL/MCL wrestling tournament.

Discussion was held among the board.

Keller thanked the principals for their work and to keep them posted.

### **SUMMER DRIVER EDUCATION**

Maurath moved and Sperber seconded the motion to hire Dale Samuelson as the Driver's Ed teacher for summer 2011, and to hire Jodee Reed as the para for Driver's Ed, both at salaries recommended. Motion carried 7-0.

### **2011-2012 SCHOOL CALENDAR**

Discussion was held. In-service dates have moved around.

They will discuss elementary early dismissal at the next board meeting and options for all buildings.

Boyd moved and Hubert seconded to motion to approve the calendar as presented. Motion carried 7-0

### **DONATION**

Hubert moved and Sperber seconded the motion to accept the donation from Nex-tech Wireless for \$1,214.67. Motion carried 7-0.

Keller adjourned the meeting at 8:02 PM.

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Kerri Scheetz, High School Secretary

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