

**Minutes of the Board of Education
Unified School District No. 435
Dickinson County**

Abilene, Kansas

August 13, 2018

The Board of Education of Abilene Unified School District No. 435 met for their regular monthly meeting in the board room of the district office at 7:00 p.m. on Monday, August 13, 2018.

Opening of the Meeting

Call the Meeting to Order

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by President Jeff Bathurst with the following board members in attendance:

Kyle Becker	Randy Gassman (arrived at 7:05)	Jennifer Waite
Chris West	Mark Wilson	

Others attending all or part of the meeting were: Assistant Superintendent - Chris Cooper, Board Clerk - Joan Anderson, District Technology Coordinator - Mike Liby, Abilene Reflector-Chronicle reporter - Kathy Hagaman, Zach Cooper, Kyle Taylor, Josh Rose, Mel Dannefer, Kiley Crider, Christie Prater, Kathryn Erk, Rebecca Knauss, Amanda Brown, Edward Brown, Joycelyn McIlquham, Deb Foltz, Gary Foltz

Approval of the Agenda

Kyle Becker moved to approve the agenda. Jennifer Waite seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

Introduction of New Staff

The new 2018-19 staff members were introduced to the board.

Consent Agenda

Chris Cooper summarized the Personnel Update list on the following consent agenda:

Approval of minutes for the July 9, 2018 regular meeting, the July 13, 2018 special meeting, August 1, 2018 special meeting, and the August 8, 2018 special meeting

Approval of district and high school finance reports

Approval of Personnel Update

Approval of Out of District Attendance and Transportation Recommendations

Kyle Becker moved to approve the consent agenda. Chris West seconded the motion. Motion carried 6-0.

Discussion of any item(s) removed from the Consent Agenda

None

Audience With Patrons

No one from the audience addressed the board during the audience with patrons section.

Presentation

VFW Scholarship Opportunity

Ed Brown spoke about the scholarship opportunities for Abilene students through the VFW. There are two scholarships available, one is for students in grades 9-12 called Voice of Democracy and the other is for students in grades 6-8 called Patriot's Pen. These are essay contests with a scholarship Grand Prize award of \$30,000 and \$5,000 respectively. Mr. Brown asked the district to encourage students to apply. The board thanked the VFW representatives for coming.

Action/Discussion Items

Out of State Travel

The AHS singers have been selected to go to New York to perform at Carnegie Hall and are seeking the boards approval for this trip. The district would pay for travel to and from the airport. Discussion was held.

Randy Gassman moved to approve the out of state travel to New York. Mark Wilson seconded the motion. Motion carried 6-0.

Surplus List

Chris Cooper summarized the surplus list. Discussion was held.

Kyle Becker moved to approve the surplus list. Jennifer Waite seconded the motion. Motion carried 6-0.

Policy

New/Amended Policies

KASB recommended updating some policies and forms. The following policies and forms were presented to the board: AF - School Day, BCAC - Waiver of Notice, BCBG - Voting Method, DC - Annual Operating Budget, DE - Fraud Prevention and Investigation. Discussion was held.

Randy Gassman moved to approve the policies and forms as presented. Jennifer Waite seconded the motion. Motion carried 6-0.

Board-Administrator Communications

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Chris Cooper discussed the forming of the Tech committee and an upcoming meeting.

Back to School Social for Staff

The back to school social for staff will be Wednesday, August 15, 2018, at 6:00 p.m. The FFA and their sponsors are providing the meal.

Other

Chris Cooper informed the board that the district is required to send a letter stating that the board supports being a part of the School Mental Health Professional Development and Coaching System. Unless there is objection, the board president will sign the letter.

The Community Foundation of Dickinson County awarded Parents As Teachers with a check for \$5000 which is part of the multi-year grant.

Jennifer Waite moved to accept the \$5000 grant. Mark Wilson seconded the motion. Motion carried 6-0.


Chris Cooper informed the board that Brian Jordan from KASB will be at the September meeting to discuss the preliminary process for the superintendent search. This search will then start in November.

Randy Gassman would like the capital projects for the vocational department and the stadium to be addressed at the next meeting. Discussion was held concerning possible needs.

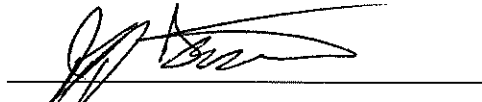
Adjournment

Chris West moved to adjourn. Kyle Becker seconded the motion. Motion carried 6-0.

The meeting adjourned at 7:36 p.m.



Clerk



President

Personnel Update
Action for August 13, 2018

Resignations and Retirements

<u>Category</u>	<u>Employee</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Status</u>
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***Employment, Transfers and Other Action**

<u>Category</u>	<u>Employee</u>	<u>Position</u>
Classified	Rachel Tichenor	Eisenhower Lunchroom Aide
Certified	Leslie Hoffman	Kennedy 1 st Grade Teacher

Employment – Substitute Teachers

<u>Category</u>	<u>Employee</u>	<u>Position</u>
Certified	Nolan Rush	Substitute Teacher
Certified	Joy Butler	Substitute Teacher

Current positions open – August 13, 2018

Elementary Art Teacher
ABC Lead Teacher Kennedy
8th Grade Boys Asst. Basketball Coach
Superintendent
Kennedy Food Service Cook
Bus Driver
Eisenhower ASP Head Teacher
McKinley Lunchroom Supervisor
Substitutes ABC afterschool program
Substitute bus drivers
Substitute food service
Substitute custodians
Substitute teachers

*Upon receipt of signed contracts, the Board of Education President is authorized to sign.