

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

Abilene, Kansas

January 9, 2017

The Board of Education of Abilene Unified School District No. 435 met for their regular monthly meeting in the boardroom of the district office at 7:00 p.m. on Monday, January 9, 2017.

Opening of the Meeting

Call the Meeting to Order

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

Dr. Kari Porter-Murray
Jeff Bathurst

Gregg Noel

Mark Wilson

Others attending all or part of the meeting were: Superintendent - Dr. Denise Guy, Assistant Superintendent - Chris Cooper, Board Clerk - Joan Anderson, Building Administrators - Ben Smith, Will Burton, Ron Wilson, Ethan Gruen, and Tom Schwartz, Dickinson County Economic Development Executive Director - Bob Morando, Dan Brown, Jenny Wilkins, Diane Wyatt, Mike Liby

Approval of the Agenda

Gregg Noel moved to approve the agenda. Kari Porter-Murray seconded the motion. The motion carried 5-0.

School Board Recognition

With this being School Board Recognition month, Board members were presented with an Abilene School coffee mug filled with candy. Dr. Guy thanked and expressed appreciation to the board for the many hours of service they provide to the district.

Consent Agenda

Dr. Guy summarized the consent agenda noting the retirement of Sarah Geiger and Leslie Hoffman in the Personnel Update.

Gregg Noel moved to approve the consent agenda.

Approval of minutes for the December 12, 2016 regular meeting
Approval of District Office, High School, and Middle School Finance Reports
Approval of Personnel Update (attached)
Approval of Out of District and Transportation Requests (attached)

Mark Wilson seconded the motion. The motion carried 5-0.

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.

Presentations

After School Program

Chris Cooper updated the board on the history, budget, and evaluation of the After School Program, noting the increase in the number of participants along with the decrease in grant money. Dan Brown and Jenny Wilkins gave a brief overview of the current year's programs and activities.

Economic Development Vision for Garfield

Bob Morando from the Dickinson County Economic Development presented ideas on the use for Garfield emphasizing the need for collaboration.

Action/Discussion Item

Resolution for Board of Education Terms

Gregg Noel moved to approve the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED THAT, the Board of Education of Unified School District No. 435, Dickinson County, Kansas hereby extends the term of office for any elected board member whose term would expire at any time in 2017 until the second Monday in January of 2018, when newly elected members of the governing body and other newly elected officials shall take office pursuant to K.S.A. 2015 Supp. 25-21a01.

Kari Porter-Murray seconded the motion. The motion carried 5-0.

Community Foundation PE Heart Monitors Project

The Abilene Middle School received a grant from the Community Foundation for \$6,891 for the Physical Education Heart Monitors Projects. Middle School PE teacher, Diane Wyatt, explained to the board the purpose and usage of the heart monitors.

Jeff Bathurst moved to approve the grant. Gregg Noel seconded the motion. The motion carried 5-0.

BCBS Healthy Habits for Life Grants

Abilene Middle School and Eisenhower School each received a \$1000 Healthy Habits for Life grant from Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Kansas Foundation. Eisenhower School Principal, Ethan Gruen, and Middle School PE Teacher, Diane Wyatt, described how they will be using the grant funds.

Mark Wilson moved to accept the two grants. Jeff Bathurst seconded the motion. The motion carried 5-0.

Community Foundation Summer Science Grant

USD 435 received a \$5000 grant from the Community Foundation for the 2017 Summer Science Camp. Dr. Guy explained that this program would be a continuation from last year.

Gregg Noel moved to approve the \$5000 grant from the Community Foundation with thanks. Jeff Bathurst seconded the motion. The motion carried 5-0.

Facilities & Technology

Strategic Plan & Board Goals Adjustments

Dr. Guy updated the board on the adjustments made to the strategic plan and the board goals by the administration based on the board's input. The adjustments were as follows:

PLS Expand the New Teacher training to 5 days to assure staff are trained on the required strategies and resources for success.

SD1.2 FT3 Expand staff to include a K-12 Social Worker. Develop job description.

SD LP2 (State requirement for accreditation) Implement Individual Plans of Study with all Middle and High School students. Meet with students and parents as these plans are being developed as well as when they are updated.

LP1.2 CE Develop a system that tracks and teaches the importance of service learning in our community.

Discussion was held.

Gregg Noel moved to approve the draft goals based on the BOE retreat. Mark Wilson seconded the motion. The motion carried 5-0.

Capital Outlay

Dr. Guy updated the board on the e-rate funds that were approved. Mike Liby explained the types of items the district would be purchasing.

Community Engagement

A draft of the 2017-18 calendar was presented to the board. Discussion was held. The administration will make adjustments to the calendar based on the board's input.

Learning Partnerships

Site Council Agenda and Meeting Minutes

The December McKinley Site Council minutes were provided for board review and information.

Board-Administrator Communications

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Dr. Guy reminded several board members of upcoming meetings they were to attend.

Other

Dr. Guy informed the board that McKinley Principal, Tom Schwartz, would be presenting at the State Board meeting tomorrow in regards to being a Blue Ribbon School.

Policy

Approval of Amended/New Policies

This is the seconded reading to the following policies: CN - Public Records; DFAB - Standard of Conduct of Federally Funded Contracts; GBU - Ethics; GAK - Personnel Records. Dr. Guy recommend to insert the amount of \$100 in policy DFAB for the cost of accepting free product samples and meals. The Board agreed with the recommendation.

Gregg Noel moved to approve the amended policies. Mark Wilson seconded the motion. The motion carried 5-0.

Policy Review

Policy DP (Collection Procedure) and policy JGCB (Inoculations) were presented to the board.

Gregg Noel moved to approve the two policies. Discussion was held. Mark Wilson seconded the motion. The motion carried 5-0.

Approval of New Privately-Owned Vehicle (POV) Mileage Reimbursement Rate

The state and federal POV mileage rate decreased from \$0.54 to \$0.535.

Mark Wilson moved to approve the new mileage rate. Gregg Noel seconded the motion. The motion carried 5-0.

Executive Session

At 8:49 p.m., Mark Wilson moved to go into Executive Session at 8:55 p.m. to discuss matters relating to employer-employee negotiations to protect the district's right to the confidentiality of its negotiating position and the public interest and to discuss personnel matters of non-elected personnel to protect the privacy interests of an identifiable individual and to return to open session in this room at 9:10 p.m. Gregg Noel seconded the motion. The motion carried 5-0. A break was taken from 8:50 p.m. until 8:55 p.m. Dr. Guy was invited into the meeting.

The Board returned to the open meeting at 9:10 p.m.

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The Board returned to the open meeting at 9:25 p.m.

At 9:25 p.m., Gregg Noel moved to go into Executive Session to discuss personnel matters of non-elected personnel to protect the privacy interests of an identifiable individual and to return to open session in this room at 9:30 p.m. Mark Wilson seconded the motion. The motion carried 5-0.

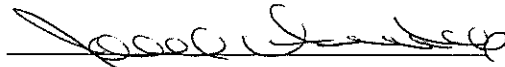
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Mark Wilson moved to extend Dr. Guy's contract another year to June 30, 2019. Jeff Bathurst seconded the motion. The motion carried 5-0.

Adjournment

There being no further business, a motion was made by Mark Wilson to adjourn the meeting. Jeff Bathurst seconded the motion. The motion carried 5-0.

The meeting adjourned at 9:40 p.m.



Clerk



President

Personnel Update
Action for February 13, 2017

Resignations and Retirements

<u>Category</u>	<u>Employee</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Status</u>
Certified	Tom Schwartz	McKinley Elementary Principal	Retiring
Certified	Mary Hildebrand	Eisenhower 4 th Grade Teacher	Retiring
Classified	Katheryn Wilson	AHS Assistant Forensics Coach	Resigned
Certified	Toni Britt	AHS Art Teacher	Resigned

***Employment, Transfers and Other Action**

<u>Category</u>	<u>Employee</u>	<u>Position</u>
Classified	Michael Hook	AHS Asst. Baseball Coach
Classified	Dianna Waite	AHS Assistant Forensics Coach
Classified	Kristi Langdon	Para Substitute
Classified	Lisa Sweatman	Para Substitute

Employment – Substitute Teachers

<u>Category</u>	<u>Employee</u>	<u>Position</u>
Certified	Erik Graefe	Substitute Teacher
Certified	Taylor Hoover	Substitute Teacher
Certified	Nathan Knaus	Substitute Teacher
Certified	Thea Stoneberger	Substitute Teacher
Certified	Robert Stillwagon	Substitute Teacher

Current positions open – February 13, 2017

AHS Art Teacher
McKinley Elementary Principal
Eisenhower 4th Grade Teacher
AMS Principal
Kennedy 1st Grade Teacher
AHS Journalism Teacher
McKinley Lunchroom Supervisor
ABC afterschool program subs
Substitute bus drivers
Substitute food service
Substitute custodians
Substitute teachers

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