

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

Abilene, Kansas

November 12, 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, November 12, 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
Jennifer Waite

Randy Gassman
Chris West

Gregg Noel
Mark Wilson

Others attending all or part of the meeting were: Interim Superintendent - Gary Nelson, Assistant Superintendent - Chris Cooper; Board Clerk - Joan Anderson; District Technology Coordinator - Mike Liby; Administrators - Dr. Ben Smith, Will Burton, Jenna Delay, Ethan Gruen, Laura Baldwin, and Dr. Twyla Sprouse; Abilene Reflector-Chronicle reporter - Kathy Hagaman; Vicki Cooper, Shannon Heintz, Katie Armstrong, Linda Etherington, Maria Nuss, Tammy Scheidt, Leslie Hoffman, Megan Keller, Regina Berns, Deb Foltz, Gary Foltz, Ryan Foltz, Kevin Smiley, Stacy Smiley, Jade Koch, Tom Schwartz, Kirsti Gomez, Dwight Hoffman, Jane Foltz, Rylie Volkman, Megan Anguiano, Lauren Hoover, Kendra Guy, Andrea Koster, Brett Koster, Melissa Thorsell, Renae Willey, Hannah Willey, Bret Ambrosier

Approval of the Agenda

Kyle Becker moved to approve the agenda. Jennifer Waite seconded the motion. Motion carried 7-0.

Consent Agenda

The board reviewed the following items on the consent agenda:

- Approval of minutes for the October 8, 2018 regular meeting, and the October 24, 2018 special meeting
- Approval of district, high school, and middle school finance reports
- Approval of Personnel Update
- Approval of Individual Development Plans for Certified Staff
- Approval of Early Graduation Requests
- Approval of Out of District Attendance Request Recommendations

Randy Gassman moved to approve the consent agenda. Chris West seconded the motion. Motion carried 7-0.

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

None

Presentation

FFA National Convention Presentation

Rylie Volkman and Lauren Hoover, President and Sr. Secretary respectively of the Abilene FFA Chapter, highlighted the events held at the FFA National Convention. The convention allowed for leadership opportunities and the gathering of new ideas which could be implemented at the local level. The convention also hosted a Career Fair which included a huge variety of agriculture fields.

Holm Automotive Donation

A \$1400 donation was presented by Brad Signer on behalf of Holm Automotive to help with winter clothing needs for the students in grades K-8. This donation was divided into four \$350 checks for AMS, Eisenhower, McKinley, and Kennedy schools.

Mark Wilson moved to approve the donation from Holm Automotive. Kyle Becker seconded the motion. Motion carried 7-0.

Technology Update Proposal

Students and staff members from AHS & K-1 demonstrated how iPads were used in the classrooms and how the proposed technology would enhance learning. Chris Cooper presented the proposal which was to lease purchase 200 iPads and cases for grades K-1, 550 iPads with cases and keyboards for grades 9-12, and 750 Logitech Crayons for grades K-12. The total cost would be \$308,943.75. This proposal, if set up on a 4-year lease payment schedule, would cost \$79,717.59 annually. The district would have the option to sell the iPads after the third year. The combination of this 4-year lease proposal and the approved October plan would have an annual cost of \$153,047. Chris Cooper noted that there would be an extra annual charge of \$15 to students for the keyboard. Discussion was held.

Kyle Becker moved to approve the 4-year lease purchase for the the K-12 Crayons and iPads with cases and keyboards as presented. Chris West seconded the motion. Motion carried 7-0.

Audience with Patrons

The following people addressed the board during Audience with Patrons: Maria Nuss, Leslie Hoffman, Tom Schwartz, and Kevin Smiley.

Action/Discussion Items

Smoky Hill Interlocal Agreement Renewal

The 5-year Interlocal Agreement with Smoky Hill Education Service Center is up for renewal. Discussion was held.

Kyle Becker moved to approve the 5-year Interlocal Agreement with Smoky Hill Education Service Center as presented. Randy Gassman seconded the motion. Motion carried 7-0.

Vehicle Options

The board discussed options for replacing the 2012 Dodge Caravan that was totaled in a collision. The consensus of the board was for the transportation director to search locally for a replacement for an 8-passenger van and stay under \$20,000.

Learning Partnership

Approval of Site Council Memberships

Eisenhower & Kennedy schools presented their SITE Council membership list to the board.

Randy Gassman moved to approve the SITE Council membership lists. Gregg Noel seconded the motion. Motion carried 7-0.

SITE Council Agenda and Meeting Minutes

The McKinley SITE council meeting minutes were available for the board to review. Kyle Becker moved to approve the minutes. Jennifer Waite seconded the motion. Motion carried 7-0.

Board-Administrator Communications

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Administrator reports were available for the board to review. Discussion was held.

American Education Week

American Education Week is November 12-16. Plans are underway to celebrate this week.

Kansas Association of School Boards Convention/Delegate Assembly

The board was reminded that the KASB convention and delegate assembly is November 30 through December 2. Those going have reservations at the Sheraton.

Other

Board members were reminded that Brian Jordan will be at the December board meeting to share the results of the desired characteristics of a new superintendent reached by the Characteristic Forum Groups.

Policy

New/Amended Policies

Superintendent Nelson summarized the changes to the following KASB policies and resolution: DJED - Bids and Quotation Requirements; DJEF - Requisitions; DP - Collection Procedures; GAAF - Emergency Safety Intervention; Resolution DK - Student Activity Fund Management. This was the first reading.

Executive Session

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At 8:57 p.m., Gregg Noel moved that the board go into executive session at 9:00 p.m. to discuss an individual employee's performance pursuant to non-elected personnel exception under KOMA, and the open meeting would resume in the board room in 15 minutes. Jennifer Waite seconded the motion. Motion carried 7-0. Superintendent Nelson and Chris Cooper were invited into executive session.

The board returned to the open meeting at 9:15 p.m.

At 9:16 p.m., Gregg Noel moved that the board go into executive session to discuss potential properties for office/classroom space pursuant to the exception for preliminary discussion of the acquisition of real

property under KOMA, and the open meeting would resume in the board room at 9:31 p.m. Mark Wilson seconded the motion. Motion carried 7-0. Superintendent Nelson and Chris Cooper were invited into executive session.

The board returned to the open meeting at 9:31 p.m.

At 9:32 p.m., Gregg Noel moved that the board go into executive session to discuss confidential student information pursuant to the exception relating to actions adversely or favorably affecting a student under KOMA, and the open meeting would resume in the board room in 20 minutes. Kyle Becker seconded the motion. Motion carried 7-0. Superintendent Nelson and Chris Cooper were invited into executive session.

The board returned to the open meeting at 9:52 p.m.


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The board returned to the open meeting at 10:13 p.m.

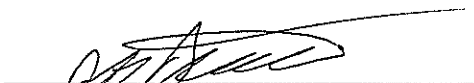
Adjournment

Jennifer Waite moved to adjourn. Mark Wilson seconded the motion. Motion carried 7-0.

The meeting adjourned at 10:14 p.m.



Clerk



President

Personnel Update

Action for November 12, 2018

Resignations and Retirements

<u>Category</u>	<u>Employee</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Status</u>
Classified	Todd Callahan	McKinley Night Custodian	Resigned
Classified	Dan Blecha	Sub Bus Driver	Resigned

*Employment, Transfers and Other Action

<u>Category</u>	<u>Employee</u>	<u>Position</u>
Classified	Darren Whiteley	AHS Asst. Wrestling Coach (Partial Position)
Classified	Vikki McAsey	Substitute Custodian (already AMS Kitchen, but need custodial help at AMS)
Classified	Nancy Holt	Food Service Substitute
Classified	Lorena Lamer	Food Service Substitute
Classified	Tracey Kuecker	District Office Receptionist

Employment – Substitute Teachers

<u>Category</u>	<u>Employee</u>	<u>Position</u>
Certified	Joshua Rankin	Substitute Teacher

Current positions open – November 12, 2018

McKinley Night Custodian
AHS Food Service Manager
ABC Lead Teacher Kennedy
Superintendent
Bus Driver
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.