

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

Abilene, Kansas

May 8, 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, May 8, 2017.

Opening of the Meeting

Call the Meeting to Order

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

Debby Barbur
Dr. Kari Porter-Murray

Jeff Bathurst (arrived at 7:05 pm)
Gregg Noel

Randy Gassman

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, Ron Wilson, Ethan Gruen, Tom Schwartz, and Twyla Sprouse, Abilene Reflector Chronicle - Christina Cannon, Mike Liby, Ron Preston, Tamini Dempsey, Miranda Ward, Denise Liby, Talon Combes, Janet Meyer, Teia Potter, Sarah Berkland, Hannah Thurston, Tristan Kanz, Tanner McGivney, Ben Veach, Logan Riekeman, Zoe Cooper, Brenna Riffel, Samantha Millican, Mitchell Rosebrook, Riley Sleichter, Regina Berns, Jaden Walters, McKenzie Funston, Halle Warren, Jessica Hayes, Deb Farr, Jacob Berven, Destiny Calvin, Alexa Schlagel, Ryan Wilson.

Approval of the Agenda

Dr. Guy recommended the following changes to the agenda: move Personnel Update to 12.1, move MTSS to 5.3, and delete 6.1 review of insurance.

Gregg Noel moved to approve the amended agenda. Randy Gassman seconded the motion. The motion carried 5-0.

Consent Agenda

Dr. Guy summarized the consent agenda. Discussion was held.

Randy Gassman moved to approve the consent agenda.

Approval of minutes for the April 10, 2017 regular meeting
Approval of District Office, High School, and Middle School Finance Reports
Approval of Out of District Requests

Gregg Noel 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

Newspaper Staff Recognition

Ron Preston from the Abilene Reflector Chronicle was recognition for his coverage of all the Abilene ballgames and for receiving the 2017 KIAAA Sportswriter of the Year.

FCCLA Culinary Team Disney trip

The Abilene FCCLA Culinary Team and Mrs. Farr assembled a picture presentation showing the culinary team competing in the “Cook Around the World” Disney trip. Members of the team spoke on the different areas of the competition which included creating a meal in 90 minutes which coordinated with the country the team drew.

MTSS Math

Chris Cooper, along with the MTSS district math team, presented the integrated Kansas District Model for the MTSS Math. They addressed the core parts of math, the math screeners, and the K-5 Math Tier supports that are being put into place. They also highlighted the next steps they will be taking.

Student Development

2017-2018 Handbooks

Mr. Gruen and Dr. Sprouse updated the board on the changes to the K-5 handbook. Mr. Smith updated the board on the changes to the high school handbook. The new AMS principal will review the middle school handbook.

This was the first viewing for the board.

Building Trades House Auction

Dr. Guy informed the board that the building trades house auction will be on Saturday, May 27, 2017, at 10:00 a.m.

National Student Clearinghouse Data

The National Student Clearinghouse Data is based off students who have graduated from Abilene and enrolled in a public or private college, graduated from college in 2 years or 4 years, and went to an in-state or out-of-state college. This information is tracked for 6 years. This is not for comparison between schools. Certain students are not included in this report such as military or student of colleges that do not report.

Longhorn Leaders

Dr. Guy went over the proposal to make Longhorn Leaders a school sponsored club. She highlighted the difference between a school sponsored club and a non-school sponsored club. This club is for 8th graders only. Discussion was held. This proposal will be up for consideration in the future.

Learning Partnerships

Site Council

The Eisenhower and High School Site Council minutes were provided to the board.

2017-2018 KASB Membership Renewal/Legal Assistance Fees

The KASB Membership and Legal fees remained at \$11,022 and \$1,650 respectively. An optional \$1,500 season pass for seminars and training was also submitted by KASB. Discussion was held.

Gregg Noel moved to renew the membership with KASB at \$11,022 and continue the Legal Assistance Fund Service at \$1,650. Jeff Bathurst seconded the motion. Motion carried 6-0.

Board-Administrator Communications

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Administrator reports were provided to the board.

Vehicle Request for Proposal (RFP)

The vehicle and sedan bid summaries were presented to the board. Chris Parton had recommended purchasing the 2015 or newer Ford Transit Van at \$28,000 from Abilene Car Sales and rejecting the bid on the Sedan since there was not enough money to purchase both.

Debby Barbur moved to accept the bid of \$28,000 from Abilene Care Sales on the 2015 or new Ford Transit Van. Randy Gassman seconded the motion. Motion Carried 6-0.

Bus Request for Proposal

The bus bid summary was presented to the board. Chris Parton had recommended purchasing the 2015 71-passenger bus from Midwest Bus Sales. Discussion was held.

Kari Porter-Murray moved to accept the bus bid from Midwest Bus Sales on the 2015 71-passenger bus in the amount of \$73,825. Gregg Noel seconded the motion. Motion carried 6-0.

Legislative Update

Dr. Guy reported that there was nothing definite yet.

Staff Recognition/Yearend Celebration

The staff recognition breakfast will be held on Monday, May 22, 2017, at 8:00 a.m. at the middle school.

Other

None

Policy

Annual Bullying Policy/Plan Review

The board is required to review the bullying policy/plan annually. Discussion was held. The board would like to see the policy added to the handbooks. Dr. Guy and Chris Cooper stated that staff training is held at the beginning of the year in regards to bullying.

Debby Barbur moved to approve the bullying plan. Gregg Noel seconded the motion. Motion carried 6-0.

Executive Session

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At 8:54 p.m., Jeff Bathurst moved to go into Executive Session at 9:00 p.m. to discuss personnel matters of non-elected personnel to protect the privacy interests of an identifiable individual, also, matters relating to employer-employee negotiations to protect the district's right to the confidentiality of its negotiating position and the public interest, and for matters relating to actions adversely or favorably affecting a student, to protect the privacy rights of a student who is identifiable, and to return to open session in this room at 9:30 p.m. Randy Gassman seconded the motion. The motion carried 6-0. The board took a break from 8:54 p.m. until 9:00 p.m. Dr. Guy and Chris Cooper were invited into the executive session at 9:00 p.m.

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Personnel Update

Dr. Guy summarized the personnel update for the board and thanked Darlene Riffel for her 32 years of service and Betty Liby for her 11 years of service.

Jeff Bathurst moved to approve the personnel update. Debby Barbur seconded the motion. Motion carried 6-0.

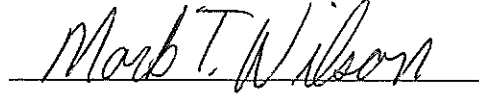
Adjournment

Jeff Bathurst moved to adjourn. Gregg Noel seconded the motion. Motion carried 6-0.

The meeting adjourned at 9:57 p.m.

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Clerk

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President

Personnel Update

Action for May 8, 2017

Resignations and Retirements

<u>Category</u>	<u>Employee</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Status</u>
Classified	Darlene Riffel	McKinley Kitchen Manager	Retired – 32 years
Classified	Betty Liby	McKinley Cook	Retired – 11 years
Certified	Olivia Garver	Eisenhower ASP Head Teacher	Resigned
Classified	Josh Peterson	AMS 7 th Grade Football Asst	Resigned
Certified	Janelle Shaw	DDE/Ken Title I/Reading Recovery	Leave of Absence
Classified	Kyleen Harris	Food Service Director	Resigned

*Employment, Transfers and Other Action

<u>Category</u>	<u>Employee</u>	<u>Position</u>
Classified	Joe Ross	AHS Asst. Football Coach
Classified	Julie Turner	Lunchroom supervisor transfer from AMS back to Kennedy
Classified	Molly Burton	AHS Head Girls Basketball Coach
Classified	Jacob Schartz	Summer Maintenance Help
Classified	Ryan Wilson	Summer Maintenance Help
Classified	Claudia Hess	Summer Maintenance Help
Classified	Alexandria Walters	Summer Maintenance Help
Classified	Sarah Canfield	Summer Maintenance Help
Classified	Jean Ottensmeier	Food Service Sub
Classified	Brenda Woodcox	Accounts Payable/Board Treasurer

Employment – Substitute Teachers

<u>Category</u>	<u>Employee</u>	<u>Position</u>
Certified		

Current positions open – May 8, 2017

Food Service Director
Eisenhower/Kennedy Title I/Reading Recovery Teacher
AMS 7th Grade Football Asst.
Eisenhower ASP Head Teacher
McKinley Kitchen Manager
McKinley Cook
Eisenhower Aide
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.