

**BALDWIN CITY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT 348**  
**P.O. Box 67**  
**Baldwin City, KS 66006**  
**BHS Library**  
**BOARD OF EDUCATION**  
**MINUTES OF REGULAR BOARD MEETING**

**BHS Library**  
**415 Eisenhower**  
**BALDWIN CITY, KS 66006**

**MONDAY**  
**October 21, 2013**  
**6:00 PM**

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The Board of Education met in regular session on Monday, October 21, 2013 at 6:00 p.m.

- A. President Nick Harris called the Board of Education meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. In attendance were Board Members Nick Harris, Nikki Tiller, Ivan Huntoon, Gregory Kruger and Sheree Gill. Also attending were Superintendent Paul Dorathy, Clerk of the Board, Laura Hartman and Deputy Clerk, Linda Elliot.

**Call to Order**  
**by Board**  
**President**

- B. Sheree Gill moved and Ivan Huntoon seconded to approve the amended agenda. Motion carried with a vote of 5 yes and 0 no. Additions to the agenda were as follows; student matters to D. Executive Session and J. New Business 2. Rainbow Experience. Chad Christie arrived at 6:04 p.m.

**Approval of**  
**Agenda**

- C. The board was given a tour of the Baldwin High School by Rob McKim. Sandy Chapman arrived at 6:30 p.m.

- D. Sheree Gill moved and Ivan Huntoon seconded to go into executive session for student matters affecting a student in order to protect the privacy interests of the individual(s) to be discussed, and that we return to open session in this room in 5 minutes. Mr. Dorathy and Shaun, Jo and McKenzie Ellis were invited in executive session. Motion carried with a vote of 7 yes and 0 no. Time: 6:32 p.m.

**Executive**  
**Session**

Nick Harris moved and Nikki Tiller seconded to go into executive session to discuss personnel matters of non-elected personnel in order to protect the privacy interest of the individuals to be discussed, and that we return to open session in this room in 15

minutes. Mr. Dorathy was invited into executive session. Motion carried with a vote of 7 yes and 0 no.

Time: 6:31 p.m.

- Chad Christie moved and Ivan Huntoon seconded to extend executive session for personnel matters for 8 minutes. Mr. Dorathy remained in executive session. Motion carried with a vote of 7 yes and 0 no. Time: 6:32 p.m.

The board returned to open session. Time: 6:40 p.m.

- E. Sheree Gill moved and Ivan Huntoon seconded to approve the Consent Agenda and the September 19, 2013 regular meeting, the monthly bills and payrolls. Motion carried with a vote of 7 yes and 0 no.

**Approval of  
Consent  
Agenda**

- F. Lisa Robinson spoke about equal access of facilities. She shared concerns about fair use for the cheerleaders.

**Public  
Comment**

Mike McLaren shared his concerns about equal access of facilities. Asked the board to look at the use by school activities.

Kim Ikenberry wanted to add that our cheerleaders are very dedicated and are there for our teams.

Sherre Blanchard asked if it is not considered a sport, doesn't know if that is the case or not, if it is not a sport wanted to inquire about fees involved. She brought some ideas for a solution. She asked for solid reasons to be able to tell their children.

- G. Cynde took time to thank all staff for their hard work implementing changes last year to strengthen internal controls related to the audit. She added much time was involved from the food service staff, secretaries, directors and principals to find the most functional way to implement these changes.

**Financial  
Report**

The board reviewed the bid for a new truck. Sandy Chapman moved and Chad Christie seconded to approve the bid from Shawnee Mission in the amount of \$22,415.00. Motion carried with a vote of 7 yes and 0 no.

The board reviewed the bids for a new bus. The board asked questions about leasing and maintenance. Tracy Rockers was present and shared with the changes in the maintenance schedule and staff, she does not for see this being an issue with such a large expenditure.

Chad Christie moved and Sheree Gill seconded to approve the bid for 2 units from Midwest Bus Sales in the amount of \$98,826.00. Motion carried with a vote of 7 yes and 0 no.

Cynde presented a list of items for board approval to dispose of. Nick Harris moved and Ivan Huntoon seconded to approve to dispose of the items presented. Motion carried with a vote of 7 yes and 0 no.

Cynde asked board members how they would like to spend bond money funds. The board had discussion about replacing furniture. The board asked Joe Sample what type of desk or tables he was looking at. Joe said they did pull some tables from Vinland which they are using. Some other items requested were rubber coated dumbbells, wall boards, projectors, wipe board, desk/chairs. Sandy asked for a ball park figure for some of the requested items. Chad felt the board should move forward with a decision, Nick agreed. The board was in agreement to spend the bond monies on furniture requested.

Bank Proposals: Nick Harris, Greg Kruger and Ivan Huntoon excused themselves from the room because of the conflict of interest.

Cynde Frick recommended the board move their operating accounts to Kansas State Bank based on the information received from all RFP's. Cynde reminded the board the choices of banks were brought forward back in April. The board members had discussion.

Nikki Tiller moved to move the operating funds to Kansas State Bank. The board continued discussion. Sheree Gill moved to move the operating funds to Mid-America Bank. Both motions died for lack of a second. The board continued with discussion.

Sandy Chapman moved and Nikki Tiller seconded to move the districts operating accounts to Kansas State Bank. Motion carried with a vote of 4 yes and 0 no.

- H. Steve Hemphill was present to update the board on technology across the district. Steve detailed the breaks in the fiber are coming from squirrels and said a company was hired to repair the areas. There is a back up system so communication is still in place. Steve spoke on the issues of wireless especially at the High School. Some of the issues are caused by the access points and the addition of iPads and the access points being able to handle that load. Access points have been added to help with the load. Software updates have also been addressed. Steve addressed MAP testing and some of the

## **Administrative Reports**

issue that came about through the testing process. Steve said there are still some issue that are being addressed. The technology office has moved to the transportation building.

Steve shared a spreadsheet that showed some costs and replacement pricing.

The board discussed site councils. The board agreed that Chad is already serving on the Coop and Negotiations and should not have to serve on the site council. The board agreed to the following:

Nick Harris- BHS  
Sandy Chapman- IC/PC  
Sheree Gill- JR High  
Nikki Tiller- IC/PC  
Ivan Huntoon- HS  
Greg Kruger- JR High

- I. The board discussed the activity analysis Gary Stevanus presented at the last regular board meeting. Gary was present to answer questions. Sandy asked about Girls Soccer, and suggested we know sooner than later for budgeting purposes. Gary suggested the board make the decision in December.

**Old Business**

The board discussed policy CGE-348, 03-08, 03-09. Sandy Chapman moved and Sheree Gill seconded to amend policy CGE-348, 03-08, 03-09. Motion carried with a vote of 7 yes and 0 no.

The board continued discussion about the future of Vinland Elementary. Mr. Dorathy reviewed some of the options the board could discuss. He added the board does not have to make a decision tonight. He explained what process he went through with Neosho County Community College last year in their interest in using the facility. The board discussed the items Mr. Dorathy had given to board members. The board discussed other activities that could use the gym, and checking into Community Colleges interest. The board asked if there have been anyone interested in purchasing.

Mr. Dorathy said yes there has been. Sandy shared she has received feedback that if the board would sell VES, that it should not go for less than what it would cost to add to the current buildings. Sandy said, that the 1.5 million it would cost to add on is her asking price. The board asked Mr. Dorathy to look into:

- Community Colleges
- Adding Programs – check into cost
- See how interested the buyers are

J. The board was given policy BCAF-348, 01-18 to review and may take action at the next regular board meeting. **New Business**

Rainbow Pre-School sent a letter to Board members. They are asking to stay in the building after the district office moves out. Closing will most likely be March on the Chapel property. Remodeling is scheduled to begin around May. The board had extended discussion about whether to allow Rainbow Pre-school to stay in the building. The agreed to allow Rainbow to remain until 12/31/2013 as well as the use of the gym by outside groups.

The board agreed to allow the cheerleaders use of the south gym facility through the winter season.

K. Greg Kruger introduced Patty Bishop, Coop director. Greg said they are still working on the handbook. Chad added there has been discussion about the bridges program. Patty said they are scheduled to move November 15 to their downtown location. **Board Member Input**

L. The board took a 7 minute break. Time: 8:58 p.m. The board returned to regular session at 9:05 p.m. **Superintendent's Report**

Mr. Dorathy discussed AMO (annual measurable objectives) with board members. Mr. Dorathy had graphs that showed the AMO for each building. Mr. Dorathy said that the AMO is the board's yardstick to know that the district is getting the job done. It is also what the staff uses as their guide to see where they are at.

Sandy Chapman moved and Nikki Tiller seconded to amend the agenda and add board meeting dates to Item L., Superintendent's Report. Motion carried with a vote of 7 yes and 0 no.

Sandy Chapman moved and Sheree Gill seconded to move the November regular board meeting date to November 19<sup>th</sup>, 2013 at 6:00 p.m., at the Intermediate Center. Motion carried with a vote of 7 yes and 0 no.

M. Sandy Chapman moved and Sheree Gill seconded to go into executive session for personnel matters, and that we return to open session in this room in 10 minutes. Mr. Dorathy and Gary Stevanus were invited into executive session. Motion carried with a vote of 7 yes and 0 no. Time: 9:30 p.m. **Executive Session**

- Chad Christie moved and Nick Harris seconded to extend

executive for personnel matters for 5 minutes. Mr. Dorathy and Gary Stevanus remained in executive session. Motion carried with a vote of 7 yes and 0 no. Time: 9:40 p.m.

- Sandy Chapman moved and Chad Christie seconded to extend executive session for personnel matters for 10 minutes. Mr. Dorathy and Gary Stevanus remained in executive session. Motion carried with a vote of 7 yes and 0 no. Time: 9:45 p.m. Gary Stevanus left executive session at 9:54 p.m.
- Sandy Chapman moved and Chad Christie seconded to extend executive session for personnel matters for 15 minutes. Mr. Dorathy remained in executive session. Motion carried with a vote of 7 yes and 0 no. Time: 9:55 p.m.

Sandy Chapman moved and Sheree Gill seconded to go into executive session for negotiation matters in order to protect the public interest in negotiating a fair and equitable contract, and that we return to open session in this room in 10 minutes. Mr. Dorathy was invited into executive session. Time: 10:10 p.m.

- N. Nick Harris moved and Ivan Huntoon seconded to approve the personnel report as presented. Motion carried with a vote of 7 yes and 0 no.

**Consider  
Executive  
Session  
Matters**

Nick Harris moved and Sandy Chapman seconded to affix proper board signature to contracts and work agreements. Motion carried with a vote of 7 yes and 0 no.

- O. No additional discussion at this time.

**Discussion  
Items**

- P. Nikki Tiller moved and Nick Harris seconded to adjourn the regular board meeting. Motion carried with a vote of 7 yes and 0 no. Time: 10:25 p.m.

**Adjournment**

Approved:

Attest:

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Nick Harris, President  
Board Of Education

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Laura E. Hartman  
Clerk of the Board