

BALDWIN CITY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT 348

P.O. Box 67

Baldwin City, KS 66006

BESPC Community Room

Board of Education

Official Minutes from 04.20.2015 Meeting

- A. President Nick Harris called the Board of Education meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. In attendance were Board Members Nick Harris, Nikki Tiller, Chad Christie, Sandy Chapman, Ivan Huntoon, Gregory Kruger and Sheree Gill. Also attending were Superintendent Paul Dorathy, Clerk of the Board, Laura Hartman and Board Treasurer, Cynde Frick. Call to Order
- B. Sandy Chapman moved and Greg Kruger seconded to approve the amended agenda. Motion carried with a vote of 7 yes and 0 no. Added disposal of property to Agenda Item D. Consent Agenda. Approval of Agenda
- C. Nick Harris moved and Chad Christie seconded that we go into executive session to discuss 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 Kelley Bethell-Smith were invited into the session. Motion carried with a vote of 7 yes and 0 no. Time: 6:31 p.m. Executive Session
- Nick Harris moved and Sheree Gill seconded to go into executive session for negotiation matters, and that we return to open session in this room in 10 minutes. Mr. Dorathy, Cynde Frick and Kelley Bethell-Smith were invited into executive session. Motion carried with a vote of 7 yes and 0 no. Time: 6:37 p.m.
- Nick Harris moved and Ivan Huntoon 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 13 minutes." Mr. Dorathy, Cynde Frick and Kelley Bethell-Smith were invited into executive session. Motion carried with a vote of 7 yes and 0 no. Time: 6:47 p.m.
- D. Sandy Chapman moved and Ivan Huntoon seconded to approve the Consent Agenda and the March 2 and 23, 2015 meeting minutes, the monthly bills, disposal of property and payrolls. Motion carried with a vote of 7 yes and 0 no. Approval of Consent Agenda
- E. The board recognized the Baldwin High School basketball team. The board recognized the Junior High School for the KAMSA high performing schools acknowledgement. Recognition
- F. There were no public comments made at this time. Public Comment
- Cynde Frick gave a brief explanation of each of the fees. The board discussed the Financial Matters

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following 2015-2016 fees:

Meal prices:

pre-K-5th grade breakfast: \$1.65
pre-K-5th grade lunch: \$2.50
6th-12th grade breakfast: \$1.65
6th-12th grade lunch: \$2.75
Adult Breakfast: \$2.05
Adult Lunch: \$3.50
Snack Milk Fee (PEP & Kindergarten): \$40.00

Textbook fees:

Kindergarten \$50
Grades 1-5 \$60
Grades 6-8 \$80
Grades 9-12 \$100
Discount of \$10 if paid before August 1

All day Kindergarten:

Full pay \$260
Reduced meal qualified \$130
Free meal qualified \$65

Band instrument rental fee \$40

User fee:

Full pay \$50
Reduced meal qualified \$30
Free meal qualified \$10

Drivers Education fee (beginning Summer 2016) \$250; no reduction for free / reduced meal qualification

Transportation fee \$125 per year

BHS iPad take home fee \$50; no reduction for free / reduced meal qualification

Nick Harris asked about putting some wording together for All day Kindergarten to help with those that do not pay. The board continued discussion. Mr. Dorathy said there are a few fees still outstanding, however we have received some payments. The board talked about having a contract in place. Discussion about the issues of pulling kids in and out of class is very disruptive. Currently we send 3 letters to those with

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non-payment of fees, then non-payments will be sent to the state and the state will pull the money from that persons tax return minus a percentage, which goes to the state. Discussion continued on ideas of what could be done to help alleviate the situation of fees not being paid. Mr. Dorathy suggested a policy be put in place for all non-payment of fees for next year. The board will continue conversation on the subject at the May board meeting.

Nick Harris moved and Sheree Gill seconded to approve the 2015-2016 fees as presented and discussed. Motion carried with a vote of 7 yes and 0 no.

Cynde talked about a food service contract. Cynde explained Martha Powell is new and not comfortable yet with such a large bid. Also, the person that took care of the bids at US Foods is no longer there. US foods have offered to extend our current contract for 1 year at the current rate. The board was comfortable with that decision but asked if there would be something in place for the following year. Cynde said she will be working with Martha to build her knowledge base on the bidding process.

Greg Kruger moved and Ivan Huntoon seconded to accept to extend the current 1 year contract with US Foods at the same rate as this year's contract. Motion carried with a vote of 7 yes and 0 no.

- H. Rob McKim was present to update board members on the 1:1 initiative. Rob had a slide presentation that outlined several areas of use of the iPads. Comments from staff were included in the slide presentation as well as Site Council comments. Rob asked the board to continue the 1:1 initiative to be a district emphasis. He talked about manage and monitor(digital citizenship), Learning Management System and future replacement plans. Rob said there has been about 80,000 paper copies saved since the beginning of iPad use. Administrative Reports
- I. Nick said Steve Hemphill reviewed the technology plan with board members at a previous board meeting. The board had discussion about the plan. Old Business

Sheree Gill moved Sandy Chapman seconded to approve the technology plan to be submitted to the state as presented. Motion carried with a vote of 7 yes and 0 no.

The board has had several discussions on budget considerations for the 2015-2016 school year. Mr. Dorathy spoke about the block grant and how that affects this district. He also spoke about surrounding districts and how they compare with our district. Mr. Dorathy said we have considered an increase in salaries for staff, any health insurance increases, Coop increases and the items we have discussed to cut on the list. Nikki Tiller asked about the Coop assessment on the medicaid. Mr Dorathy

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responded that Baldwin will be able to keep the check in June of an estimate of \$36,000, which goes into special education fund. Therefore, we may not have to transfer as much funds into the special education fund. Cynde wanted to make it clear that this is a separate fund and can only be used for special education purposes. The first assessment to Coop is in August. Most of Coops budget is salary. Coop has \$45,308 increase proposed for next year. Sheree brought up discussion on the golf, pom, spring play and debate items on the list of cuts. She would like to see the board keep those programs. Gary Stevanus added that we need to have a certain number to fill teams, so many times it takes care of itself. If there are not enough to fill a team, then the program does not go. The board asked what the separate costs were of the programs: Pom \$2400, golf \$3500, debate \$3300 and play \$1600. Board agreed to allow policy to dictate the programs since we have policy in place for activities. Greg Kruger suggested maybe cutting the painting this one year in order to keep those programs. The board continued discussion on other items on the list. Mowing was also discussed.

Sheree Gill moved and Sandy Chapman seconded to approve the budget items as listed for the 2015-2016 school year except to keep the activities in place and remove summer painting.

<u>Saving from retirements/resignations</u>	<u>48,472</u>
<u>Eliminate Vinland utilities/insurance</u>	<u>20,000</u>
<u>Reduce property/liability insurance premiums</u>	<u>35,000</u>
<u>Increase student fees</u>	<u>33,600</u>
<u>Reduce employee life insurance</u>	<u>2,100</u>
<u>Reduce technology subscriptions</u>	<u>1,500</u>
<u>Reduce Rhulen utilities and insurance by selling house</u>	<u>2,000</u>
<u>Eliminate seasonal mower</u>	<u>5,000</u>
<u>Eliminate summer painting</u>	<u>8,000</u>
<u>Reduce supply budgets</u>	<u>12,500</u>
<u>Reduce classified positions</u>	<u>48,400</u>
<u>Reduce certified positions</u>	<u>11,020</u>
	<u>\$227,592</u>

Board took a 5-minute break. Time: 8:21 p.m.

- J. The board was given the building handbooks for review and will take action at the May board meeting. New Business

Mr. Dorathy discussed Data Driven Professional Development with board

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members. The board will come back in May to take action.

Mr. Dorathy had shared two documents at last months board meeting regarding the mentor program. KSDE has asked to make this one document after revisions are made. Mr. Dorathy has done so. The board will review and take action at the May board meeting.

- K. Greg Kruger and Nikki Tiller shared with the board the information they gathered at the last Co-op meeting. The coop is meeting to discuss their budget. The coop will be meeting to continue negotiation conversation.

Board Member
Input

No other miscellaneous discussion at this time.

- L. Mr. Dorathy briefed board members on DIBELS vs Aimsweb. Dan Wallsmith and Deb Ehling-Gwin spoke about both programs. Deb has contacted someone who has greater knowledge of both programs and to learn more about Aimsweb.

Superintendent's
Report

Mr. Dorathy talked about the new accreditation program for the district. The administrators and a teacher from each building attended a conference today on this program. Mr. Dorathy will be providing more information to board members on this program.

Mr. Dorathy gave an update on curriculum review for Science. The committee plans to bring a tentative science curriculum to the May board meeting. There will be changes occurring as they work through Next Generation Science Standards.

- M. No additional executive session was needed.

Executive Session

- N. Sandy Chapman 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

Sandy Chapman moved and Ivan Huntoon seconded to affix proper board signature to the contracts and work agreements as presented. Motion carried with a vote of 7 yes and 0 no.

Sandy Chapman moved and Chad Christie seconded to approve the 2015-16 negotiated agreement with extending the due process for one year. Motion carried with a vote of 7 yes and 0 no.

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Nick Harris moved and Sandy Chapman seconded to approve a resolution of intent to non-renew Aubrey Geenens' contract for the 2015-2016 school year. Motion carried with a vote of 7 yes and 0 no.

Nick Harris moved and Ivan Huntoon seconded to approve a resolution of intent to non-renew Cathy Minden's contract for the 2015-2016 school year. Motion carried with a vote of 7 yes and 0 no.

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Nick asked which board members would be attending graduation. All board members except Nikki Tiller and Sandy Chapman are able to attend. Chad Christie will let Laura Hartman know if he cannot attend.

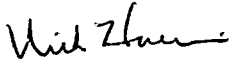
Discussion items

The board agreed to have a BBQ in May at a special meeting. A date and location will be decided later. Greg Kruger has volunteered to cook the meat.

Ivan Huntoon moved and Nikki Tiller seconded to adjourn the regular board meeting. Motion carried with a vote of 7 yes and 0 no. Time 8:55 p.m.

Adjournment

Approved:



Nick Harris, President
Board of Education

Attest:



Laura E. Hartman
Clerk of the Board