

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

Baldwin Elementary School Primary Center
500 Lawrence St.
Baldwin City, KS 66006

MONDAY
April 17, 2017
6:30 PM

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- A. President Nick Harris called the Board of Education meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. In attendance were Board Members Nick Harris, Chad Christie Sandy Chapman, Greg Kruger, Ivan Huntoon, Nikki Tiller and Kelley Bethell-Smith. Also attending were Superintendent Paul Dorathy and Clerk of the Board Cory Countryman. **Call to Order by Board President**
- B. Kelley Bethell-Smith moved and Ivan Huntoon seconded to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried with a vote of 7 yes and 0 no. **Approval of Agenda**
- C. Nick Harris moved and Ivan Huntoon seconded to go into executive session to discuss negotiations 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. Paul Dorathy and Cynde Frick were invited into executive session. Motion carried with a vote of 7 yes and 0 no. Time: 6:31 p.m. **Executive Session**
- Nick Harris moved and Ivan Huntoon seconded to extend executive session 5 minutes. Mr. Dorathy and Cynde Frick remained in executive session. Motion carried with a vote of 7 yes and 0 no. Time: 6:41 p.m.
- Nick Harris moved and Ivan Huntoon seconded to extend executive session 5 minutes. Mr. Dorathy and Cynde Frick remained in executive session. Motion carried with a vote of 7 yes and 0 no. Time: 6:46 p.m.
- Nick Harris moved and Ivan Huntoon seconded to extend executive session until 7:00 p.m. Mr. Dorathy and Cynde Frick remained in executive session. Motion carried with a vote of 7 yes and 0 no. Time: 6:51 p.m.
- D. Nick Harris moved and Sandy Chapman seconded to approve the March 20, 2017 board meeting and March 20, 2017 special board meeting minutes, the regular monthly bills, property disposal and payrolls. Motion carried with a vote of 7 yes and 0 no. **Approval of Consent Agenda**
- E. The board recognized: **Recognition**
- BHS FBLA
 - BJHS Spotlight Award

Administrative Reports

- H. Hunter Peacock, Ella Mozier, Cael Harris and Grace Cooper gave iPad presentations to demonstrate how students utilize iPads at the HS.

Ty Pattison, WEBS program principal, and David Powers, gave a presentation explaining Eudora's WEBS program. They talked about the program's behavior and level system, training for staff and explained how students are reintegrated back into the classroom.

Patty Lenning requested permission to take students to the National FBLA Conference in Anaheim, CA June 27-July 2.

Chad Christie moved and Ivan Huntoon seconded to approve the FBLA trip to California including registration fees, housing and meal expenses as presented. Motion carried with a vote of 7 yes and 0 no.

Nick Harris called a 4-minute break. Time: 8:11 p.m.

Deb Ehling-Gwin presented a report on the Primary Center's Strategic Direction Improvement Plan. She provided handouts and a brochure for the board.

Dan Wallsmith presented a report on the Intermediate Center's Strategic Direction Improvement Plan.

- I. Greg Kruger excused himself from the board meeting declaring a conflict of interest regarding discussion about the community center as he sits on the BCRC board. Time: 8:29 p.m.

Old Business

Steve Friend, BCRC Director, gave an update on the proposed community center. Square footage for the center has been decreased and the proposal has been scaled back into two phases. The cost for phase one without a pool is \$3.85 million. The BCRC is asking the City for a ½ cent sales tax increase and requesting the BOE approve a 1-mill increase to the existing 4-mill levy.

The board stated they would like an opportunity for patrons to voice their opinion at the May board meeting before any motion is made. The board asked Mr. Friend to calculate the cost of the community center without board offices.

Mr. Friend provided a handout with expenditure and revenue comparisons for the community center.

The May 16th BOE meeting will be held at the PAC.

Greg Kruger returned to the board meeting. Time: 9:01 p.m.

Mr. Dorathy and the board continued their conversation regarding the district office property. The board requested a quote for the cost of building a maintenance shop with storage across from the junior high.

Kelley Bethell-Smith moved and Ivan Hutoon seconded to approve the job descriptions as presented. Motion carried with a vote of 7 yes and 0 no.

- J. Mr. Dorathy explained the request for a change to the 2017-2018 calendar so that teachers have the opportunity to observe other schools during the second semester collaboration day.

New Business

Nick Harris moved and Ivan Huntoon seconded to approve the updated 2017-2018 calendar as presented. Motion carried with a vote of 7 yes and 0 no.

Nick Harris moved and Chad Christie seconded to approve the 2018-2019 calendar as presented. Motion carried with a vote of 7 yes and 0 no.

Chad Christie moved and Ivan Huntoon seconded to approve the 2017-2018 KASB Legal Assistance Fund Agreement in the amount of \$1,650.00 as presented. Motion carried with a vote of 7 yes and 0 no.

Nick Harris moved and Ivan Huntoon seconded to amend policy JBCC as presented and added a change to section H to state "Students will attend the grade level assigned by the District." Motion carried with a vote of 7 yes and 0 no.

- K. Nikki Tiller and Greg Kruger shared with the board information they gathered at the last co-op meeting.

Board Member Input

Assessments will go down 12%.

Nikki Tiller moved and Sandy Chapman seconded to elect Ivan Huntoon to serve as a representative for the Special Education Co-op for the remainder of the 2016-2017 school year. Motion carried with a vote of 7 yes and 0 no.

Nick Harris requested that board members let the clerk know a few days in advance who will be able to attend BHS graduation on May 13.

- L. Mr. Dorathy discussed KESA updates and shared the Kansas Vision for Education. The District Site Council will meet May 4th.

Superintendent's Report

Mr. Dorathy gave a legislative update stating the positive outlook for a new school finance bill. The concern is how the bill will be paid and what sources are used for funding.

Chad Christie asked about inquiries regarding Nikki Tiller's board vacancy and what happens if her vacancy is not filled. Mr. Dorathy explained the board can continue without a replacement until the new term but every effort will be made to fill her vacancy.

- M. Nick Harris moved and Chad Christie 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

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return to open session in this room in 15 minutes. Paul Dorathy was invited into executive session. Motion carried with a vote of 7 yes and 0 no. Time: 9:37 p.m.

Nick Harris moved and Chad Christie seconded to extend executive session 5 minutes. Mr. Dorathy remained in executive session. Motion carried with a vote of 7 yes and 0 no. Time: 9:52 p.m.

Chad Christie moved and Sandy Chapman seconded to extend executive session 5 minutes. Mr. Dorathy remained in executive session. Motion carried with a vote of 7 yes and 0 no. Time: 9:57 p.m.

Nick Harris moved and Chad Christie seconded to extend executive session 3 minutes. Mr. Dorathy remained in executive session. Motion carried with a vote of 7 yes and 0 no. Time: 10:02 p.m.

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

**Consider Executive
Session Matters**

O. 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: 10:05 p.m.

Adjournment

Approved:

Attest:



Nick Harris, President
Board of Education



Cory Countryman
Clerk of the Board