

APPROVED

Holton USD #336
Board of Education --First Regular Meeting
Aug 10, 2009, 6:00 p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Shelby Patch, Mike Ford, Allen Arnold, Bob Phillips, Todd Holaday, Steven Bowser (conf call), Jay Watkins (arrived 8:00 p.m.).

Vice-President Holaday called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

A motion was made by Member Patch and seconded by Member Phillips to approve the amended agenda of the Aug 10, 2009 regular board meeting. Motion carried, 6-0.

A motion was made by Member Patch and seconded by Member Phillips to approve the minutes of the July 13, 2009 regular board meeting. Motion carried, 6-0.

A motion was made by Member Patch and seconded by Member Phillips to approve the warrant numbers 47118 through 47273 and Aug payroll as presented. Motion carried, 6-0.

COMMUNICATIONS: No one signed up.

OLD BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS:

8:00 Budget Hearing

1. School nurse will brief board on H1N1.

Due to current school policy of any child being sent home with 99.6 degree or higher temp and must be fever free for 24 hours we are aligned with current recommendations of the H1N1 guidelines. Carolyn Bartlett will meet tomorrow with custodial staff for refresher on disinfecting surfaces such as doorknobs, railings, keyboards etc. Current teaching staff already take precautions with Lysol, germ x sanitizer and wipes on

student contact surfaces. She will keep the board updated as any new information is released.

2. Renewal Proposal for Insurance

Cindy presented information to the board about the upcoming contract along with all of the past year activities so they can use this in a decision about the insurance contract for the new school year.

3. Report on Enrollment

Dr. Karleskint told the board that estimates are we are down about 20 students but he also said that there still is a lot of enrolling still to happen between now and Labor Day with final count on September 21. Fresh Start helped last year with a count of 61 but 33 of those graduated this year so they are out trying to get new enrollees to make up for those lost.

4. Soft drink contract

Pepsi-Cola and Coca-Cola presented bids for the next 5 years.

A motion was made by Member Phillips and seconded by Member Arnold to accept the contract from Pepsi-Cola as presented. Motion carried, 6-0.

5. Building Maintenance update

Dr. Karleskint informed the board that the alarm and security system were being installed this week. Steve Vermillion is heading up that project for the card setup and installation. The EMC exterior security suggestions have been implemented around the building exteriors. Fence at Colorado has been fixed. Clean up around the high school is continuing and it is looking nice. Discovered some old thermostats at the high school that were broke and not working that had been installed years ago. McElroy's and the high school custodians had no knowledge of them so they have been replaced and McElroy's worked with custodial staff on how to monitor them.

6. Transportation update

Tulsa company has ordered our lift and we have sent them the P.O. authorizing the work. We will be taking the bus down to get remodeled soon. They also would like to look over our old sped bus to see about purchasing it to extract the lift and use the rest to part out.

7. Sale of used bus

Wellsville has sent a letter to purchase our old 1997 International bus. They made an offer of \$2,500.

A motion was made by Member Patch and seconded by Member Phillips to accept \$2,500 for the 1997 International bus. Motion carried, 6-0.

8. Request for use of School Bus

Jackson County Conservation District has requested the rental of a school bus for Sept 10, 2009 to tour conservation practices in Jackson, Nemaha and Brown counties.

A motion was made by Member Patch and seconded by Member Ford to approve use of bus by the Jackson County Conservation District on Sept 10, 2009. Motion carried, 6-0.

9. Approval of High School Handbook

Changes presented are on page 11 concerning Valedictorian and Salutatorian, page 26 Future Business Leaders of America and page 34 Building Use Policy for Technology.

A motion was made by Member Ford and seconded by Member Phillips to accept the changes as presented. Motion carried, 6-0.

10. Communication of budget issues.

Dr. Karleskint present the board with a copy of the Statehouse Update, which outlines some of the short, medium and long-term effects covered by the 2010 Commission at its August meeting. The biggest concern is the largest four revenue sources in Kansas have dropped their amount of revenue \$439.6 million from FY 2008 to FY 2009.

So in preparing for what is to come business will not be as usual this year in the district. We will again not be paying for field trips out of the Holton area and activity buses for away events will be charging riders the same as we implemented last year.

11. Report from committee on Zibell gift

Bob Phillips gave a report on the committee that was formed made up of himself, John Ernst, Tad Hernandez, Mitch Beims and Debbie Harshaw. A list of ideas they had formed was presented to the board with the final three projects to move forward on. Bob said he did speak with a family member on their input.

Three projects: Patio area in front of high school, Channel 19 upgrade to digital and HS football field expansion/improvements.

12. Long Term Planning Meeting

Will start next months planning meeting from 5:30-6:30 with regular board meeting to begin at 6:30.

Vice -President Holaday called for an 8 min recess at 7:52.

Returned to regular session at 8:00.

Jay Watkins arrived at 8:00 p.m.

1. Budget Hearing- Code 99 summaries distributed and discussed.

Dr. Karleskint went through the budget and answered questions and explained different areas of the budget.

A motion was made by Member Patch and seconded by Member Watkins to approve the 2009-2010 budget as published with a Mill Levy of 2.25. Motion carried, 7-0.

A motion was made by Member Patch and seconded by Member Phillips that Holton USD #336 recess to executive session at 9:05 p.m. for 15 minutes returning to regular session at 9:20 p.m. for the purpose of discussing:

a. Matters pertaining to non-elected personnel in order to protect the privacy interests of the individual(s). Motion carried, 7-0.

Jim Karleskint and Dee Folk remained in executive session with the board.

Dee Folk exited session at 9:10 p.m.

Returned to regular session at 9:20 p.m.

A motion was made by Member Patch and seconded by Member Ford that Holton USD #336 recess to executive session at 9:20 p.m. for 15 minutes returning to regular session at 9:35 p.m. for the purpose of discussing:

a. Matters pertaining to non-elected personnel in order to protect the privacy interests of the individual(s). Motion carried, 7-0.

Jim Karleskint remained in executive session with the board.

Returned to regular session at 9:35 p.m.

A motion was made by Member Watkins and seconded by Member Phillips that Holton USD #336 recess to executive session at 9:35 p.m. for 10 minutes returning to regular session at 9:45 p.m. for the purpose of discussing:

a. Matters pertaining to non-elected personnel in order to protect the privacy interests of the individual(s). Motion carried, 7-0.

Jim Karleskint remained in executive session with the board.

Returned to regular session at 9:45 p.m.

A motion was made by Member Phillips and seconded by Member Patch to approve contracts for Regular Ed classroom paras as presented for school year 09-10 with .5 hour less per day than their 08-09 contracts. Motion carried, 7-0.

PERSONNEL:

1) New employment

A motion was made by Member Patch and seconded by Member Phillips to approve contracts for Donna McClane; RVHS Para, Laura Soyland; Gifted Para, Laurie Larson; Wetmore Para, Gina Niehues; Colo EC Para, Ashley Schuetz; Central Para. Motion carried, 7-0.

1) Resignations

A motion was made by Member Patch and seconded by Member Ford to approve resignations for Denise Issitt; RVES Para, Ameer Pelton; Central SE Para. Motion carried, 7-0.

No further action taken.

Vice-President Holaday adjourned the meeting at 9:54 p.m.

UPCOMING EVENTS

August 13th - New Teachers Report
August 14th - Teachers Report
August 19th - K-6th and 9th graders 1st day
August 20th - 7th, 8th, 10th, 11th and 12th graders 1st day
September 7th - Labor Day - no classes
September 14th - Board of Education Meeting

Minutes as recorded by:

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