

UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 467
WICHITA COUNTY
LEOTI, KANSAS

Meeting Time and Place

1. The Board of Education of Unified School District #467, Wichita County, Kansas met in regular session at 7:00 p.m., Monday, March 9, 2020 in Leoti.

People Present

2. Members present were: Brian Gerstberger, Jason Koehn, Jim Myers, Tammy Simons, Brandon Whalen, Ann Wiles, and Josh Young.

Also present were: Superintendent, Keith Higgins; Clerk, Tammy Mason; WCES Principal, Lori Maxwell; WCJSHS Principal, Delbert Schmidt; WCJH AD, Brant Douglas; WCHS AD, Haydon Parks; and Guests: Nate Brown, Sara Brown, Julie Conard, Dawn McKinney, Simone Elder, and Nikki Bjurstrom.

Approved Consent Agenda

3. Jim Myers called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. After the Pledge of Allegiance, he thanked Julie Conard and staff for the Reality-U on career day, he thought it was a great success. Brian Gerstberger motioned and Brandon Whalen seconded to approve the consent agenda consisting of:
 - A. Agenda for the meeting.
 - B. Minutes for the February 10, 2020 meeting.
 - C. Payments of the bills and payrolls.
 - D. Personnel Actions: None
 - E. Accept a donation of \$250.00 from Berta Binns to WCJSHS to help sponsor the Career Day Reality-U portion.
 - F. Accept a donation of \$1,391.72 from the Tribe Booster Club to WCJSHS Volleyball.
 - G. Approve Evelyn Baker's purchase of a surplus piano for \$100.00.
 - H. Accept a donation of \$5,825.00 from the Tribe Booster Club to WCJSHS for wrestling practice mats.
 - I. Approve the WCHS Biology 2 trip to Denver on April 6 & 7, 2020.
 - J. Accept a donation of \$300.00 from Pioneer Communications to WCJSHS for basketball concessions.

- K. Accept a donation of \$900.00 from the Wichita County Outdoorsmen, LLC, to WCHS Junior Class.
 - L. Accept a donation of \$275.00 from Price Repair LLC, to WCES Read Week.
 - M. Accept a donation of \$90.00 from Northside Automotive, to WCES for Read Week.
- Motion passed 7-0.

KESA and Strategic Plan Update

- 4. Members of the KESA and Strategic Planning committee presented the proposed USD 467 Mission, Vision, and Value Statements. Members of the committee felt like a good representation of the community were involved in discussion and feedback of the five year plan. The Board will review the information and possibly approve at the next board meeting. Nikki Bjurstrom left the meeting.

Sports Update

- 5. WCJH AD, Brant Douglas, and WCHS AD, Haydon Parks, presented the proposed schedules for the 2020-2021 school year. There is no eight man football for Junior High in the High Plains League, so scheduling out of league. It has been difficult filling the Junior High wrestling schedule due to league schools no longer having wrestling. Otherwise, the sports and scholars' bowl meets are scheduled. The high school schedules have been filled and are set for next year.
- 6. Nate Brown updated the Board on the Trap Shooting Club. He had 25 students and their parents attend his meeting to sign up. So far, he has 21 students that are registered. The students seemed excited to start competing. The trap club is not funded by the school district, but will compete as students of Wichita County High School.

WCJSHS 2020-2021 Curriculum Handbook

- 7. Sara Brown presented the proposed 2020-2021 WCJSHS Curriculum Handbook. Some of the changes for next school year will include a more flexible schedule for students and more opportunity to obtain their required credits via alternate classes. Teachers are offering a larger selection of classes that have not been available in years past. Discussion was held. Tammy Simons motioned and

Josh Young seconded to approve the handbook as presented. Motion passed 7-0.

WCES Principal's Report

8. WCES Principal, Lori Maxwell, presented updates on the elementary school. Ms. Maxwell presented the English Language Arts resource selection and quote for Wonders (McGraw Hill) for grades K through 6th. The quote is for \$81,449.10. Ms. Maxwell will ask if the amount can be reduced anymore prior to purchasing approval. This week is Read Week at the elementary. The theme is Cooking Up a Good Story at WCES! The 4th grade Shriner's trip is on April 18th. The third nine weeks end on Thursday. Spring break is next week. Parent/teacher conferences are March 24th and 26th from 4:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m. State assessments begin on April 6th.

WCJSHS Principal's Report

9. WCJSHS Principal, Delbert Schmidt, presented updates on the Jr./Sr. High school. KELPA testing is finished. State assessments will begin on March 24. They will use chromebooks and testing will run through April 27. Mrs. Conard organized Career Day with Reality-U. At weekly professional development, a Kansas Highway Patrol Drug Recognition Officer spoke with staff. The staff is interested in having him speak to the community. Teachers met for curriculum collaboration and developed class offerings that will give high school students multiple ways to meet requirements. The Junior High staff has been working on E-MINTS curriculum. The end of the third nine weeks is March 12th. Parent/teacher conferences are March 24th and 26th. Parents and students will be asked to look at schedules during parent/teacher conferences for the 2020-2021 school year.

Superintendent's Report

10. Superintendent, Keith Higgins, presented updates for the district. The current budget is at about 40% for the school year. He presented information on utility usage. He presented the Grow & Learn Daycare Lease. Members of the Board, Mr. Higgins, and the Grow & Learn Daycare committee will set up a meeting this month to further discuss the lease. The Recreation Board asked to place a porta-potty on the practice field for soccer. The Board agreed. Cost estimates were presented from Clark Simpson

for additional work that needs to be completed in the school district such as the cafeteria floor, drainage at the Jr./Sr. High school, exterior door replacements, and electrical service replacement at the Jr./Sr. High school. Ed Simon had a bid of \$12,000 to \$14,000 for a rebuilt engine for one of the route buses. He is waiting on another bid. Dawn McKinney, Haydon Parks, Nate Brown, Sara Brown, Simone Elder, and Julie Conard left the meeting.

Executive Session for Personnel

11. Brian Gerstberger motioned and Jason Koehn seconded to enter into executive session with Mr. Higgins present to discuss matters adversely or favorably affecting non-elected certified and classified staff pursuant to non-elected personnel exception under KOMA. The matters affecting the non-elected certified and classified staff members is their performance and employment. The Board will return to open session in the district board room at 9:05 p.m. Motion passed 7-0.

12. The meeting resumed at 9:05 p.m. No action was taken.

Executive Session for Personnel

13. Brian Gerstberger motioned and Brandon Whalen seconded to enter into executive session with Mr. Higgins and Ms. Maxwell present to discuss matters adversely or favorably affecting non-elected certified and classified staff pursuant to non-elected personnel exception under KOMA. The matters affecting the non-elected certified and classified staff members is their performance and employment. The Board will return to open session in the district board room at 9:20 pm. Motion carried 7-0.

14. The meeting resumed at 9:20 p.m., no action was taken.

Executive Session for Personnel

15. Brian Gerstberger motioned and Brandon Whalen seconded to enter into executive session with Mr. Higgins present to discuss matters adversely or favorably affecting non-elected certified and classified staff pursuant to non-elected personnel exception under KOMA. The matters affecting the non-elected certified and classified staff members is their performance and employment. The Board will

return to open session in the district board room at 9:23 p.m. Motion carried 7-0.

16. The meeting returned to open session at 9:23 p.m. Jim Myers motioned and Brandon Whalen seconded to approve Brant Douglas' and Lori Maxwell's salaries for the 2020-2021 school year as presented. Motion passed 7-0.

Executive Session for Negotiations

17. Jason Koehn motioned and Tammy Simons seconded to enter into executive session with Mr. Higgins, Ms. Maxwell, Mr. Schmidt, and Mr. Douglas present to discuss matters adversely or favorably affecting negotiations pursuant to the exception for employer-employee negotiations under KOMA. The matters affecting negotiations are compensation and benefits for the 2020-2021 school year. The Board will return to open session in the district board room at 10:10 p.m. Motion passed 7-0.

18. The meeting resumed at 10:10 p.m., no action was taken.

Adjournment

19. Jim Myers officially adjourned the meeting at 10:12 p.m.

Jim Myers, President

Tammy Mason, Board Clerk