

Unified School District No. 505, Labette County, State of Kansas

July 13, 2015

Jeff Corn, acting president, called the meeting to order at 7:00 AM with all members present. Others present: Dr. Bobbi Williams, Superintendent; Julia Nash; Tammy Bushong; Doug Moses; Robert and Robin Hawthorne; Scott Feagan; Dan Spielbusch; Cindy Porter; Scott Williams; and Terri Ross, clerk.

Tammy Bushong and Doug Moses were present for the board position in District 1. Julia Nash and Robert Hawthorne were present for the board position in District 2. A motion, "I make a motion to appoint Tammy Bushong for the vacant seat in District 1 for a term to expire in December 2017" was made by Michelle Feagan and seconded by Mark Smith. The motion failed, 3-2. A motion, "I make a motion to appoint Robert Hawthorne for the vacant seat in District 2 for a term to expire in December 2017" was made by Mark Smith and seconded by Mike McCracken. The motion passed, 4-1. A motion was made by Rocky Billings and seconded by Michelle Feagan to appoint Tammy Bushong for the vacant seat in District 1. The motion passed, 4-1.

Tammy Bushong and Robert Hawthorne joined the board and signed the Oath of Office.

A motion, "I move that we approve the agenda as presented" was made by Michelle Feagan and seconded by Mike McCracken. The motion passed, 7-0.

In reorganization, a motion, "I nominate Jeff Corn as president of the Board" was made by Mark Smith and seconded by Michelle Feagan. A motion, "I move the nominations cease" was made by Mark Smith and seconded by Robert Hawthorne. The motion passed, 6-1. Jeff Corn presided over the remainder of the meeting. A motion, "I nominate Michelle Feagan as vice-president of the Board" was made by Mike McCracken and seconded by Mark Smith. A motion, "I move the nominations cease" was made by Mark Smith and seconded by Tammy Bushong. The motion passed, 7-0.

Under administrative reports, Dr. Williams reported: teachers want to go back to laptops for the high school; there is a PT conference conflict in the calendar; second chance cheer try-outs for Chetopa HS; Dr. Williams is an EF Group leader and has trips planned for spring break and in the summer of 2016; Dr. Williams will charge 25 cents per mile instead of the approved mileage rate; gas range at Chetopa needs repaired; work was done on St. Paul buses; Digital Connections had bid used copiers so our agreement was with Lakeland for a 3rd option which included less color copiers; and will do virtual ads and cut down on the enrollment ads. Dr. Williams also reported on the budget. The board was informed that the expenditures are more than revenues and we need to maintain balances. She also informed the board that the budget will look a lot different this year due to changes at the state. It will look like we get an increase in general fund due to the LOB, KPERS and capital outlay state aid will be run through the general fund along with the special ed.

A motion was made by Mark Smith and seconded by Michelle Feagan to approve the KASB policy updates with the EDA option number 1. The motion passed, 7-0.

The student drug testing policy was discussed. The board's intent is to continue the student drug testing with a few changes. This will be discussed with the handbooks in August.

Dan Spielbusch was present to discuss the plans for adding a woods class and the proposed costs. A motion was made by Robert Hawthorne and seconded by Mike McCracken to proceed with the St. Paul Industrial Arts class.

Under technology, a motion, "I make a motion to use REAP funds to renew eBackpack for students in grades 9-12 for the 2015-16 school year" was made by Mark Smith and seconded by Tammy Bushong. The motion passed, 7-0. A motion, "I make a motion to use REAP funding and accept the quote for 10 iPad Air units, 10 iPad Air cases and 172 iPad cases" was made by Mark Smith and seconded by Mike McCracken. The motion passed, 7-0.

The student insurance was tabled until August.

A motion, "I move that we go into executive session to discuss negotiations in order to protect the public interest in

negotiating a fair and equitable contract, with the Board and Bobbi Williams, and that we return to open session in this room at 8:12 AM” was made by Mike McCracken and seconded by Michelle Feagan. The motion passed, 7-0.

The open meeting resumed at 8:12 AM. A motion, “I make a motion to appoint Rocky Billings and Mike McCracken to negotiate on behalf of the Board of Education with the Teachers’ Association” was made by Mark Smith and seconded by Robert Hawthorne. The motion passed, 7-0.

A motion, “I make a motion to adjourn” was made by Mike McCracken and seconded by Tammy Bushong. The motion passed, 7-0. The meeting adjourned at 8:16 AM.

ATTEST: _____
Clerk

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Mike McCracken
Mark Smith
Michelle Feagan
Jeff Corn
Rocky Billings
Tammy Bushong
Robert Hawthorne