

MINUTES-of a regular meeting of the West Elk USD #282 Board of Education, held Monday, October 9, 2006, at 7:30 P.M., at the District Office in Howard, Kansas.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT

Marty Taliaferro, President
Dr. Robert Black, Vice-president
Michael Mills
Wanda Mills
Lesa Schroeder
Vicky Wedman

ADMINISTRATION

Bert Moore, Supt./Dir. Sp. Ed.
Tom Eubank, Assist. Supt./Princ.
John Ireland, Principal
Shirley Hugill, Principal
Anna Beth Fish, Business Mgr./Clerk

OTHERS

Randy Ford
Christal Taliaferro
Dianne Boles
Dina Cooper
Debbie Lane
Shawnah Massie
Boyd Koehn
Michelle Weber

BOARD MEMBER ABSENT

Casey Smith

President Marty Taliaferro called the meeting to order at 7:30 P.M.

AGENDA

Motion was made by Bob Black and seconded by Wanda Mills to approve the agenda as printed.
Motion carried unanimously (6-0).

AUDIT REPORT

Randy Ford of Busby, Smith, and Ford, gave the annual audit report for fiscal year ending June 30, 2006. A motion was made by Mike Mills and seconded by Vicky Wedman to approve the audit report.
Motion carried unanimously (6-0).

CONSENT AGENDA

Motion was made by Vicky Wedman and seconded by Lesa Schroeder to approve the consent agenda including October bills totaling \$86,913.70, October payroll of \$395,326.23, and the minutes of a regular meeting held September 11, 2006. Motion carried unanimously (6-0).

MAINTENANCE REPORT

In the absence of Mike McLean, Supt. Moore gave the maintenance report. He presented a proposal for leasing a skid loader to replace the tractor and a proposal for updating and maintenance at the District Office.

WEST ELK JR/SR HIGH SCHOOL SPOTLIGHT

Dina Cooper, the new counselor at West Elk Jr/Sr High School, showed a short portion of the film "Odd Girl Out" concerning bullying among girls. She reported that she has a schedule for all the girls at WEHS to be able to watch the film.

SUPERINTENDENT REPORT

Superintendent Moore reported that the District is down 45 students by the September 20th count. The District will lose approximately \$79,000 this year in At Risk and Transportation weighting. He also passed out reports to the Board of a cost study done on the sports programs and the savings of the nine non-school days (copies attached). He shared an idea of making the whole District a Title I District to

receive more Federal funding. Mr. Moore reported that he was getting board policy updates ready for review.

BUILDING STUDENT RECORDKEEPING SOFTWARE TECHNOLOGY REPORT

Tom Eubank, Christal Taliaferro, Dianne Boles, and Michelle Weber presented the pros and cons of their two different student record keeping systems; Pro-Star at the Elementary and SASI at the Jr./Sr. High School. Following their reports, Mr. Eubank made the recommendation that the District go to the same system in all the buildings in the near future.

RECESS

At 8:45 P.M., President Taliaferro called a ten-minute recess. The board reconvened at 9:04 P.M.

SENIOR CLASS TRIP

Shannah Massie, representing the senior class, requested that the Board approve their trip to California on spring break. There are 11 of the 31 seniors signed up to attend (copy of the itinerary attached). Motion was made by Mike Mills and seconded by Lesa Schroeder to approve the senior trip. Motion carried (4-2 Wanda, Bob).

BOARD OF EDUCATION MISSION STATEMENT

Motion was made by Wanda Mills and seconded by Mike Mills to approve the attached Mission Statement as proposed by Vicky Wedman with the correction. Motion carried unanimously (6-0).

LOCAL EDUCATION APPLICATION FOR FUNDS-PART B IDEA

Motion was made by Wanda Mills and seconded by Bob Black to approve the application for federal funds under Part B IDEA. Motion carried unanimously (6-0).

UTILITY COST CONTROL MONITORING AGREEMENT

Motion was made by Mike Mills and seconded by Vicky Wedman to approve the agreement with Clayton Williams for utility cost control monitoring. Motion carried unanimously (6-0).

EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 9:30 P.M., motion was made by Bob Black and seconded by Mike Mills to meet in executive session for 20 minutes to discuss personnel and students to protect the privacy interests of identifiable individuals, and to include Mr. Moore, Mr. Eubank, and Mr. Ireland. Motion carried unanimously (6-0).

At 9:50 P.M., the Board reconvened into open session, at which time a motion was made by Marty Taliaferro and seconded by Mike Mills to extend the time till 9:55 P.M. Motion carried unanimously (6-0).

At 9:55 P.M., the Board reconvened into open session. Motion was made by Marty Taliaferro and seconded by Wanda Mills to extend the time for 5 minutes. Motion carried unanimously (6-0).

At 10:00 P.M., a motion was made by Marty Taliaferro and seconded by Bob Black to extend the time for 5 minutes. Motion carried unanimously (6-0). The board reconvened into open session at 10:05 P.M.

PERSONNEL

Motion was made by Bob Black and seconded by Wanda Mills to accept a resignation from David Miller as Head Jr. High Girls Basketball Coach. Motion carried unanimously (6-0).

Motion was made by Lesa Schroeder to employ Jim Morrow-Bus Driver; Shirley Frame, Bus Driver; Raymond Frame, Bus Driver; Melvin Winters, Bus Driver; Duylan VanCleave (pending completion of requirements), Bus Driver; Toby Moreland, head Jr. High Girls Basketball Coach; Stefni Hebb, Para at WEHS; Christy Tyler, Custodian. Motion carried unanimously (6-0).

OUT-OF-DISTRICT STUDENTS

Motion was made by Mike Mills and seconded by Wanda Mills to approve the attached student name wanting to attend West Elk. Motion carried unanimously (6-0).

ADJOURNMENT

At 10:10 P.M., the meeting was adjourned by unanimous consent.

PRESIDENT OF THE BOARD

CLERK OF THE BOARD
