

**MINUTES**-of a regular meeting of the West Elk USD #282 Board of Education, held Monday, July 13, 2009, at 7:30 p.m., at the District Office in Howard, Kansas.

**BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT**

Marty Taliaferro, President  
Jim Roebuck, Vice-President  
Mike Bellar  
Dr Robert Black  
Shelly Hare  
Roxane Walker  
Robert Wolfe

**ADMINISTRATION**

Corey Reese, Supt.  
Paula McAlister, Clerk/Business Mgr

**OTHERS**

Sally Morgan  
Carla Hilton  
Rudy Taylor  
Carolyn Wilnerd  
Susan Galvan

**OTHERS**

Pam Leiker  
Patrick Perkins  
Debbie Lane  
Don Smith  
Christy Tyler  
Matt Hilton  
Everett Wilnerd  
Juli Young  
Kate Perkins

At 7:30 p.m., President Marty Taliaferro called the meeting to order with the reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance. Thank you cards from Kate Perkins, Vicky Wedman and Paulabeth Henderson were read.

**ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

Roebuck moved to accept the Agenda as printed with the addition of IV Consent Agenda **"Y. Adopt Professional Development Plan and appoint Bert Moore as PDC Chair"** and **"Z Approve Holidays and Payroll Dates per attached list."** Wolfe seconded, motion passed unanimously (7-0).

**ELECTION OF OFFICERS**

Wolfe nominated Taliaferro as Board President for 2009-10. Black moved nominations cease, Roebuck seconded the motion and the motion carried (7-0). Taliaferro was elected as Board President. (6-1 Taliaferro abstaining).

Bellar nominated Roebuck for Vice-president. Roebuck nominated Wolfe for Vice-President. Wolfe declined. Black moved nominations cease, Wolfe seconded. Motion passed (7-0). Roebuck was elected Vice-president (6-1 Roebuck abstaining).

**INTRODUCTION OF BOARD MEMBERS**

Board members introduced themselves.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

Motion was made by Wolfe and seconded by Roebuck to approve the consent agenda including the following: Approval of Minutes, Regular Meeting June 8, 2009; Special Meeting June 15, 2009; Special Meeting June 22, 2009; Special Meeting June 29, 2009 and Special Meeting June 30, 2009; Approval of Bills, Payroll and Treasurer's Report - Bills: \$195,346.73 Payroll: \$86,344.12; Appoint Paula McAlister as the Clerk of the Board; Appoint Kathy Cummings as the Treasurer of the Board; Appoint Corey Reese, Juli Young and Shirley Hugill Truancy Officers for the 2009/10 school year; Designate the Prairie Star, formerly the Flint Hills

Express as the official newspaper of the Board of Education with selected materials also to be sent to the Eureka Herald; Appoint Paula McAlister as the designated KPERS Agent and Kathy Cummings as the Deputy Agent for the 2009/10 school year; Adopt the annual GAAP Waiver for 2009/10; Appoint the Board President as the Food Service Hearing Officer; Adopt Howard State Bank as official depository for school district funds; Appoint Corey Reese, Supt. as Food Service Representative and Federal Funds Director; Resolution to rescind all policy actions from the previous year and adopt all current written policies; Adopt the Cafeteria 125 Plan; Appoint Kansas Association of School Boards, as Attorney for USD #282; KASB District Membership; KASB Legal Assistance Fund; Adopt Board meeting dates, times and places(s); Establish the Student Meal Prices, Fees, and Textbook Rental Fees; Adopt the Food Service Agreement; Adopt the Resolution to authorize the clerk of the board to destroy financial records (5 years old); Adopt Resolution Authorizing Early Payment of Claims; Approve Schools for Quality Education; Resolution for Elk County Multi-Hazard Mitigation Plan; Approve Donation Requests; Adopt Professional Development Plan and appoint Bert Moore as PDC Chair; and Approve Holidays and Payroll dates per attached list. Motion carried unanimously (7-0).

### **MAINTENANCE REPORT**

Summer Maintenance: Mr. Reese reported that summer maintenance is going well. The addition of adult summer staff has improved the amount and quality of work.

Floor Tile in Commons Area: Testing is not complete. Mike will let Mr. Reese know results when available.

Roof Repair: Wray Roofing is expected to start repairs next week and will have all repairs finished before school starts.

### **SUPERINTENDENT REPORT**

KASB Webinars: Superintendent Reese handed out information on the availability of KASB Webinars.

Mileage reimbursement will be 55 cents a mile this year which is the state rate.

The Blue Cross Blue Shield premiums are expected to increase 6% effective October 1, 2009 for the 2009/2010 school year.

Budget: Mr. Reese handed all board members a copy of the proposed Budget Form 150 and Code 99. Mr. Reese advised that the budget is based on the 2008/2009 school year excluding the estimated \$154,000.00 cut in state aid for 2009/2010. He also advised that he expects much deeper cuts to be made before December of 2009. The LOB has been increased to 30 mills to meet increased expenses. Board members asked Mr. Reese to see how our mill rates compare with other districts in the area. The final budget for 2009/2010 will be published July 29, 2009 and will be on the August agenda for approval.

Elementary Music: Mr. Reese announced that we have not been able to hire an elementary music teacher for the 2009/2010 school year. A schedule is being worked on that would allow Mrs. Shilts-Baum to teach elementary band at Moline Elementary for the 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> grade.

### **CLASSIFIED HANDBOOK**

Motion was made by Roebuck and seconded by Hare to approve the Classified Handbook with a change in the sick leave policy pay rate on page 6 and the KPERS changes on page 7. Motion carried unanimously (7-0).

### **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

At 8:17 p.m. a motion was made by Wolfe and seconded by Walker to meet in executive session for 20 minutes to discuss personnel and students to protect the privacy interests of identifiable individuals; negotiations to protect the district's right to the confidentiality of its negotiating position and to include Corey Reese. Motion carried unanimously (7-0).

At 8:37 p.m. the Board reconvened into open session at which time a motion was made by Taliaferro and seconded by Wolfe to continue the session until 8:42 p.m. Motion carried unanimously (7-0).

At 8:42 p.m. the Board reconvened into open session. A motion was made by Taliaferro and seconded by Walker to extend the session until 8:47 p.m. Motion carried unanimously (7-0).

At 8:47 p.m. the Board reconvened into open session at which time a motion was made by Taliaferro and seconded by Wolfe to continue the session until 8:52 p.m. Motion carried unanimously (7-0).

At 8:52 p.m. the Board reconvened into open session at which time a motion was made by Taliaferro and seconded by Hare to continue the session until 9:02 p.m. Motion carried unanimously (7-0).

At 9:03 p.m. the Board reconvened into open session at which time a motion was made by Taliaferro and seconded by Wolfe to continue the session until 9:08 p.m. Motion carried unanimously (7-0).

At 9:08 p.m. the Board reconvened into open session at which time a motion was made by Walker and seconded by Taliaferro to continue the session until 9:13 p.m. Motion carried unanimously (7-0).

At 9:13 p.m. the Board reconvened into open session at which time a motion was made by Black and seconded by Bellar to continue the session until 9:18 p.m. Motion carried unanimously (7-0).

The Board reconvened into open session at 9:18 p.m.

**PERSONNEL**

Motion was made by Walker and seconded by Black to accept the resignation of Pam Leiker, Severy Elementary Principal, at her request and with no penalty for a late resignation. Motion carried unanimously (7-0).

Motion was made by Wolfe and seconded by Bellar to approve the employment of Tom Murphy – Bus Route Driver and Kyle Camp – Paraprofessional at Moline. Motion carried unanimously (7-0).

Motion was made by Roebuck and seconded by Hare to approve the following supplemental contracts for the 2009/2010 school year: Sharon Keplinger – Head WEHS Cheer Sponsor; Bert Moore – Professional Development Chairperson and Cristine Warring – Play Co-Director. Motion carried unanimously (7-0).

Motion was made by Bellar and seconded by Roebuck to increase the salary of Tom Eubank, Technology Coordinator by 5% for the 2009/2010 school year. Motion carried unanimously (7-0).

**OUT-OF-DISTRICT STUDENTS**

Motion was made by Wolfe to approve the out-of-district students wanting to attend West Elk USD #282 per attached. Motion was seconded by Walker and carried unanimously (7-0).

**ADJOURNMENT**

At 9:26 p.m. the meeting was adjourned by unanimous consent.

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**PRESIDENT OF THE BOARD**

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**CLERK OF THE BOARD**

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