

USD #247 BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING – June 13, 2011

A regular meeting of the USD #247 Board of Education was called to order by President Tara Underwood at 5:40 p.m., Monday, June 13, 2011, at the McCune Attendance Center. Other members present were LaDonna Hartman, Keith Ritchey, and Joe Ulery. Also present were Superintendent Glenn Fortmayer and Board Clerk Roberta Sellers.

(1) Joe Ulery moved to approve the agenda as presented. LaDonna Hartman seconded. Motion carried 4-0.

The board and meeting attendees toured the McCune buildings.

Mindy Dainty arrived at 6:00 pm.

Greg Hite arrived at 6:05 pm.

J. White
Food Serv.
Auth. Rep. (2) Joe Ulery moved to approve the consent agenda which includes the minutes of the May 9, 2011 and May 17, 2011 meeting, the bills totaling \$145,799.78, and to assign Jodie White as the Authorized Representative for Food Service. Mindy Dainty seconded. Motion carried 6-0.

Wood-Dul.
Ins. Agent (3) Joe Ulery moved to allow Wood-Dulohery as the agent of record for EMC. Greg Hite seconded. Motion carried 6-0.

Lunch Pay
Policy (4) LaDonna Hartman moved to adopt the school lunch payment policy as read. (see Appendix A). Tara Underwood seconded. Motion carried 6-0.

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Election (5) Greg Hite moved to approve the resolution and mail ballot election to authorize a local option budget in any school year in an amount not to exceed 31% of the amount of state financial aid determined to be permanent and continuous(see Appendix B). LaDonna Hartman seconded. Motion carried 6-0.

Math
Textbook (6) Mindy Dainty moved to go purchase the textbooks from Glenco as presented by Debbie Clawson. Joe Ulery seconded. Motion carried 6-0.

Curriculum (7) Keith Ritchey moved to approve the curriculum changes as presented (see Appendix C). Tara Underwood seconded. Motion carried 6-0.

(8) Tara Underwood moved to go into Executive Session to discuss non-elected personnel as listed for ten minutes to reconvene at 8:02 pm. LaDonna Hartman seconded. Motion carried 6-0.

President Underwood called the meeting back to order.

(9) Joe Ulery moved to go into Executive Session to discuss non-elected personnel for ten minutes to reconvene at 8:18 pm. Mindy Dainty seconded. Motion carried 6-0.

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Taylor Math teacher (10) Per Dr. Fortmayer's recommendation, LaDonna Hartman moved to hire Steve Taylor as a math instructor for SHS and SJHS for the 2011-12 school year. Greg Hite seconded. Motion carried 6-0.

Mindy Dainty left the room.

Supp Contracts (11) Per Dr. Fortmayer's recommendation, Keith Ritchey moved to hire the supplemental contracts as presented. (see Appendix D) Joe Ulery seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

Mindy Dainty returned.

(12) LaDonna Hartman moved to go into Executive Session to discuss negotiations for fifteen minutes to reconvene at 8:43 pm. Joe Ulery seconded. Motion carried 6-0.

(13) Greg Hite moved to go into Executive Session to discuss negotiations for ten minutes to reconvene at 8:55 pm. Joe Ulery seconded. Motion carried 6-0.

(14) Tara Underwood moved to go into Executive Session to discuss negotiations for five minutes to reconvene at 9:02 pm. Greg Hite seconded. Motion carried 6-0.

Meal prices (15) Greg Hite moved to increase meals by 10 cents per meal for full pay students. Tara Underwood seconded. Motion carried 6-0.

Vehicle Bids (16) LaDonna Hartman moved to take bids on the vehicles as listed. Keith Ritchey seconded. Motion carried 6-0.

Thermostat Issue (17) Keith Ritchey moved to approve the remedy from Millennial Net regarding the 112 thermostats, including the release of responsibility on Millennial Net's part once this replacement is completed. Joe Ulery seconded. Motion carried 6-0.

(18) Mindy Dainty moved to adjourn at 9:50 p.m. Joe Ulery seconded. Motion carried 6-0.

Clerk of the Board

President

Discussion:

In addition to action items as presented in the minutes of the meeting:

The board members toured the McCune Attendance Center facility to review some structural issues.

It was reported that the Interlocal revenues were below expectations, so there will be no reduction in costs. The Interlocal will try to hold the cost level for one year by using some of their reserves.

Southeast will be highlighted in a video documenting the school's outstanding performance and will be shown statewide and possibly nationwide to people learning about school improvement. The staff including Mr. Proctor were recognized at the Kansas Learning Network conference in Wichita on June 7th.

The district will utilize the football team and CAP cadets to move classrooms around the district as we prepare for next year.

Thirty-four refurbished laptops were purchased to upgrade computer labs across the district and provide additional computers in the Cherokee facility to accommodate the additional students in that building.

In other discussion, the balances at each school for lunches owed as of May are as follows:

Cherokee:

Students	\$.00
Staff	\$ 18.40

McCune:

Students	\$ 492.50
Staff	\$ 592.50

Southeast:

Students	\$ 209.80
Staff	\$ 57.80

Weir:

Students	\$ 139.10
Staff	\$ 70.65

Appendix A

Lunch Payment Policy

Student- Free Lunch students will have to pre-pay for all extra food/milk charges.

Reduced/Full Pay students will have to carry a positive balance in their account or pay cash in advance to the office in order to purchase lunch. If an account falls below zero, the students will be provided a minimal meal that meets allowable nutritional standards. This may be in the form of a sandwich and milk etc. The district food service department personnel and building administration will attempt to assist families towards securing funding for meals if a hardship exists. If a student remains on minimal lunch status for over ten school days, the district may contact social services to ensure the student receives proper nutritional care. Notices of balances below ten days worth of lunches and five days of lunches will be e-mailed or mailed if no e-mail available to student families respectively.

Employee- Employees must carry a positive balance in their account or pay cash in advance to the office in order to purchase lunch. No credit will be provided to employees. Notices of balances below ten days worth of lunches and five days of lunches will be e-mailed to employees respectively.

Appendix C

- 1) The Math department has developed the following classes:
 - a) Geometry- Prerequisite- Pass Algebra 1 in 9th grade and (21 8th graders passed 4 screening tests).
 - b) Algebra 1- regular 9th grade class
 - c) Algebra 1 with support- Algebra 1 class but identified students have to attend every other day to every day tutoring and being pulled out of an 8th hour elective. These classes count as ½ credit of Math for Kansas Scholar's curriculum and USD 247 graduation requirements.
- 2) Southeast Junior High School courses (thus far)

Combined Band (year) ---A performance class with emphasis on daily participation and performance participation. Progress is evaluated through performances. Pre-requisite: Completion of sixth grade band for 7th graders, and completion of seventh grade band for 8th graders.

Integrated History (semester) ---Students use various mediums to explore the historical influences on literature, language, science, and the history of our nation and the world. Students will primarily use art as means of learning historical information while supporting other content areas through thematic units. Students will also have the opportunity to participate in engaging lessons in both 2D and 3D art.

Wax Museum (semester) ----Students will choose a figure in history, complete research on the figure, and create a display board with important facts and pictures about the historical figure. The student will become that person for an afternoon, complete with costumes and props. The student will also give a 1-2 minute presentation on the figure selected, and when finished with the presentation, will become “frozen” like a figure in a Wax Museum.

Around the World in 80 Days (semester) ---- Take a trip around the world! Your virtual tour begins in Crawford and Cherokee counties. The next stops include several cities in the United States. Have your virtual passport ready for our international tour! You will have virtual visits to landmarks and cities throughout the world. You will have the opportunity to interact with students from other countries. Are you ready to be your own travel agent? You will plan a trip to the destination of your choice. The final project will be a World Festival complete with arts and crafts, music and dance, costumes, and folk tales from around the world.

History vs. Hollywood (semester) ----Lights..Camera...Action!!! There have been thousands of movies that deal with history, but have you ever wondered if the movies are historically correct? It is time to take those movies and check their validity. In class, you will learn about the real people and events of world history. Students will dissect each movie during class time, check the historical correctness, and produce a movie review.

Current Events (semester) ----News coverage done through all news media; will correlate with a number of subjects. This class will encourage and allow students to become life-long news-readers and will help students better understand the importance of people, places, and the events around them and how they interact with the world.

Current Events in Science (semester) ----Students will be exposed to current scientific news from around the globe using websites such as www.sciencedaily.com and other news portals. Technology will be utilized as much as possible to access “hot topics” in science. Discussions will take place on a daily basis with possible weekly assignments and / or projects.

Astronauts & Astronomy (semester) ----Students look at the history and future of Astronauts, plus the forces that formed the universe. Topics include: astronauts, solar system, stars, galaxies, and other space related topics.

Science Fair / Challenges of the Mind (9 weeks each) ----Students will design experiments, conduct research, and report findings at a school science fair and help organize a family science night. ----Challenges of the Mind is a class that stimulates creative and critical thinking skills. The students solve problems using fun, unique ways and different

strategies. Divergent thinking is encouraged to discover alternative solutions to some unusual problems. 21st century problem solving skills will be used abundantly to explore science concepts, problems, or applications.

Appendix D

– Coaches- Junior High-

FB	Head	Mike Bowman
	Asst	Nick G. Cheney
	Asst	Joe Dainty
VB	7th	Jamie Ball
	8th	Staci Hunt

BB (Girls)	7th	Jamie Ball
	8th	Nick G. Cheney

BB (Boys)	7th	Mike Main
	8th	Adam Hull

Track	Head	Adam Hull
	Asst	Danielle Pflug
	Asst	Ali Dake

Cheer Mary Colvin

SHS- Steve Taylor - head boys basketball
Carla Proctor - head girls basketball, assistant softball
Lylin Cowan - assistant girls basketball
Mike Bowman - head softball
David Dainty - head baseball
Tyler Gray - assistant baseball
Korey Kimrey - head track coach
Nick G. Cheney - assistant track coach
Clint Rider- Athletic Director