Monthly Board Meeting

Monday, October 14, 2024 6:00 PM Axtell School Commons area, 504 Pine St, Axtell, Kansas 66403

Phillip Buessing:

Present

Todd Grimes:

Present

Stan Keim:

Absent

Kathy Lippert:

Present

Doug Renyer:

Absent

Jim Scoby:

Present

Leslie Scoby:

Present

Also present were Superintendent Todd Evans, Board Clerk Deb Damman, and others listed on the attached sign-in sheet. The meeting was broadcast on ZOOM for the public.

Call Meeting To Order

Discussion: President Leslie Scoby called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Approve Agenda As Presented Or Amended Action(s):

I move to approve the agenda as presented. This motion, made by Kathy Lippert and seconded by Phillip Buessing, Carried.

Voting Detail:

Phillip

Yea

Buessing:

Yea

Todd Grimes: Stan Keim:

Absent

Kathy Lippert:

Yea

Doug Renyer:

Absent

Jim Scoby:

Yea

Leslie Scoby:

Yea

Voting Summary: Yea: 5, Nay: 0, Absent: 2

Executive Session for the for consultation with an attorney which would be deemed privileged in the attorney-client relationship Action(s):

I move that we enter into Executive Session for consultation with an attorney which would be deemed privileged in the attorney-client relationship for 20 minutes from 6:03 to 6:23 with Mr. Evans and the Luke Sunderland. This motion, made by Kathy Lippert and seconded by Phillip Buessing, Carried.

Voting Detail:

Phillip

Yea

Buessing:

Yea

Todd Grimes: Stan Keim:

Absent

Kathy Lippert: Yea Absent Doug Renyer: Jim Scoby: Yea Leslie Scoby: Yea

Voting Summary: Yea: 5, Nay: 0, Absent: 2 I move that we return to regular session. This motion, made by Kathy Lippert and seconded by Todd Grimes, Carried.

Voting Detail:

Leslie Scoby:

Phillip Yea Buessing: Todd Grimes: Yea Stan Keim: Absent Kathy Lippert: Yea Doug Renyer: Absent Jim Scoby: Yea

Yea Voting Summary: Yea: 5, Nay: 0, Absent: 2

4. Hear From The Following:

Discussion: A. Members of the Public Rhonda Hasenkamp - spoke in favor of the softball/baseball co-op Michelle Detweiler - asked the Board not to have Executive sessions and to keep discussions transparent. Kristin Strathman - thanked donors for greenhouse grant - are planning to purchase equipment for greenhouse

B. Student Council

Brandon Schmelze, President of STUCO, and Colin Shaughnessy, Vice-President, provided a handout and informed the Board about what they have done and are planning during the year. (Handout is attached to these minutes).

Oliver Sundenberg, STUCO- and Chief Editor, announced the start of a new newspaper, Birdseye View, to be posted on Facebook and available through local businesses.

Jenna Shaunessey, Eagle Booster Club - Provided a handout and information regarding contributions to the school. The handout is attached to these minutes.

Administrative Reports:

Discussion: Lisa Suhr answered questions regarding the Kansas Communities of Care survey. About 85% of eligible students participate in the survey. She also let the Board know that there will be KSDE staff coming to the district for KESA accreditation process.

Mr. Evans

- Shared information about FTE and headcounts for this year. Virtual students are not included in the counts.
- Kansas Can Star Recognition Program Prairie Hills has been recognized in 6 different areas.
- Activity Fund Guidelines Mr. Evans provided some basic information regarding Activity Funds vs District Activity Funds
- Redistricting Mr. Evans has started working on redistricting. Once it is done, the Board will need to approve it and then it will go to the County Clerk.
- Adam Pyle, our renter, plans to take out the fence west of the Sabetha High School football field.
- The Board meeting in November will be held at the SHS Library
- Land transfer trying to get the two groups together for a land transfer meeting.
- Washburn Career Fair -
- Sabetha was one of 5 schools highlighted by the Kansas Board of Regents
- Mr. Garrett Michael was selected as Head Coach of the Kansas Shrine Bowl
- Axtell football has the 8 man consecutive winning streak

6. Consent Agenda

Action(s):

I move that we approve the Consent Agenda as presented. This motion, made by Kathy Lippert and seconded by Todd Grimes, Carried.

Voting Detail:

Phillip

Yea

Buessing:

Yea

Todd Grimes: Stan Keim:

Absent

Kathy Lippert:

Yea

Doug Renyer:

Absent

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Jim Scoby:

Yea

Leslie Scoby:

Yea

Voting Summary: Yea: 5, Nay: 0, Absent: 2

Capital Outlay Resolution

Action(s):

I move to adopt the proposed Resolution of 7 mills for 7 years. This motion, made by Kathy Lippert and seconded by Phillip Buessing, Carried.

Voting Detail:

Phillip

Yea

Buessing:

Todd Grimes: Yea
Stan Keim: Absent
Kathy Lippert: Yea
Doug Renyer: Absent
Jim Scoby: Nay

Voting Summary: Yea: 4, Nay: 1, Absent: 2

Yea

Discussion: Jim Scoby expressed concern about the economy and patrons being asked to pay for more every year.

8. Co-op Baseball/Softball

Action(s):

Leslie Scoby:

I make a motion to approve the Co-op softball allowing a family adult to provide transportation. This motion, made by Phillip Buessing and seconded by Kathy Lippert, Carried.

Voting Detail:

Phillip Buessing:

Yea

Todd Grimes: Yea
Stan Keim: Absent
Kathy Lippert: Yea
Doug Renyer: Absent
Jim Scoby: Nay
Leslie Scoby: Yea

Voting Summary: Yea: 4, Nay: 1, Absent: 2
Discussion: Mr. Evans presented some costs
provided by Mr. Tynon for the softball/baseball
co-op. Mr. Evans also provided information
regarding the co-op including cost, loss of
instructional time, lack of drivers, driver
scheduling, shortage of vehicles, and other
concerns. Mr. Evans does not support district
provided transportation costs for this co-op.
Some families may not have the ability to provide
their own transportation. Mr. Evans said he
would need to consult with the District attorney
regarding responsibility of the District
regarding a parent or adult driver for their own
child or another child.

9. Sabetha FFA Request to attend the National Convention

Action(s):

I make a motion to approve the trip. This motion, made by Kathy Lippert and seconded by Todd Grimes, Carried.

Voting Detail:

Phillip

Yea

Buessing:

Todd Grimes:

Yea

Stan Keim:

Absent

Kathy Lippert:

Yea

Doug Renyer:

Absent

Jim Scoby:

Yea

Leslie Scoby:

Yea

Voting Summary: Yea: 5, Nay: 0, Absent: 2 Discussion: Mr. Evans said that the Policy is that there should be 12 weeks notice, which was not given, so he is bringing this to the Board for approval.

10. Purchase a 14 Passenger Bus

Action(s):

I make a motion that we approve this 14 passenger bus as presented. This motion, made by Kathy Lippert and seconded by Todd Grimes, Carried.

Voting Detail:

Phillip

Yea

Buessing:

Todd Grimes:

Yea

Stan Keim:

Absent

Kathy Lippert:

Yea

Doug Renyer:

Absent

Jim Scoby:

Yea

Leslie Scoby:

Yea

Voting Summary: Yea: 5, Nay: 0, Absent: 2

Discussion: Mr. Evans provided a quote for a new mini-bus with air conditioning. Our current minbuses are near aging out.

11. Tour of the Axtell facility

Discussion: President Scoby announced that the tour of the Axtell facility would be postponed because one of the new board members was not present.

12. Adjourn

Action(s):

I move that we adjourn. This motion, made by Phillip Buessing and seconded by Kathy Lippert, Carried.

Voting Detail:

Phillip

Yea

Buessing:

Todd Grimes:

Yea

Stan Keim:

Absent

Kathy Lippert:

Yea

Doug Renyer:

Absent

Jim Scoby:

Yea

Leslie Scoby:

Yea

Voting Summary: Yea: 5, Nay: 0, Absent: 2

Board Secretary

Debra Wamman

Board Clerk