

Monthly Board Meeting

Monday, February 10, 2025 6:00 PM

Board of Education Office, 1619 S. Old Hwy 75, Sabetha, KS 66534

Phillip Buessing: Present
Todd Grimes: Present
Stan Keim: Present
Kathy Lippert: Present
Doug Renyer: Present
Jim Scoby: Present
Leslie Scoby: Present

1. Call Meeting To Order

Discussion: President Leslie Scoby called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Also in attendance were Superintendent Todd Evans, Board Clerk Deb Damman, and others listed on the attached sign-in sheet. The meeting was broadcast live on YouTube for the public.

2. Approve Agenda As Presented Or Amended

Action(s):

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

Voting Detail:

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

Voting Summary: Yea: 7, Nay: 0

Discussion: Mr. Evans announced the changes to the agenda:

- Consent Agenda, Contracts: Add Brad Cook, Axtell Custodian.
- Add Item 13A -- April 25 No School (Kindergarten round-up)

3. SHS Professional Learning Experience Students

Discussion: Mrs. Brianna Evans provided an introduction for SHS Professional Learning Experience Students. Erin Boltz, McKenna Gatz, Carlee Hicks, Halley Mitchell, Landon Meyer, and Aubrey Schmelzle shared their Professional Learning Experiences with the Board.

4. Hear From The Following:

- A. Members of the Public
- B. Student Council
- C. PTO

- D. Site Councils
- E. Booster Club
- F. PHEA
- G. USD 113 Foundation
- H. Legislative Update
- I. Other Student Groups

Discussion: A. Members of the Public

- Logan Ploeger spoke against the change from 8 to 7 periods per day at Sabetha High School.
- B. Student Council
- C. PTO
- D. Site Councils
- E. Booster Club
- F. PHEA
- G. USD 113 Foundation
- H. Legislative Update
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5. **Administrative Reports:**

Discussion: Mrs. Suhr -

- The KESA action plan was approved
- The Pre-School program has been approved
- The District will offer driver's ed this summer
- Teachers have reviewed and recommended new science textbooks, which are available for the Board's review

Jim Scoby asked Mr. Bauman to provide information about power lifting competitions that students are participating in.

Mr. Evans -

- Asked that the Board wait and consider all information regarding the high school schedule change
- Congratulated and thanked Mrs. Suhr for her work with the accreditation process & District Leadership Team
- The proposed budget for next is approximately \$113,000 less than this year (General Fund and Supplemental Fund). Step movement and health insurance premiums are estimated to increase by 4.75%. Enrollment numbers have decreased. Jim Scoby predicts that property valuation will be going down in the next couple of years.
- Mr. Evans approved some additional HVAC repairs at SES, costing \$7,137.93
- Snow is predicted for Wednesday, so a snow day is possible.

6. **Consent Agenda**

Action(s):

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

Voting Detail:

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

Voting Summary: Yea: 7, Nay: 0

Discussion: Approved Consent Agenda:

- Approve Minutes from January 13, 2025.
- Approve Fiancial Reports:
 - APS
 - SHS
 - SMS
 - SES
 - USD #113
- Approve payment of February bills for the amount of \$980,380.71
- Approve February payroll for the amount of \$446,394.90
- Approve donation of \$357 from Ag Partners to Axtell
- Approve donation of \$500 from Triple C to SHS FFA
- Approve donation of 152.48 to the Axtell School from the Booster Club
- Approve donation of \$5,000 from GMCF Extra Curricular Fund for HUDL.
- Approve donation of \$11,000 from Aaron & Darin Georg Families for timing system.
- Personal Leave Request: Yalana Edelman
- Resignations: Braden Plumlee, Sabetha Instrumental Music Teacher;
- Contracts: Whitney McGinnis, Axtell Principal FY 26 & 27; Trevin Edelman, SMS Asst. Boys WR Coach; Brad Cook, APS Custodian

7. **Executive session for consultation with an attorney for the district which would be deemed privileged in the attorney-client relationship**
Action(s):

I move to enter into executive session for consultation with an attorney for the district for 25 minutes with Mr. Evans, Legal Counsel, and Mr. Garber and Mr. Bauman as needed, returning at 7:16 p.m. This motion, made by Kathy Lippert and seconded by Todd Grimes, Carried.

Voting Detail:

Phillip
Buessing: Yea
Todd Grimes: Yea

Stan Keim: Yea

Kathy Lippert: Yea

Doug Renyer: Yea

Jim Scoby: Yea

Leslie Scoby: Yea

Voting Summary: Yea: 7, Nay: 0

I move to return to regular session. This motion, made by Kathy Lippert and seconded by Phillip Buessing, Carried.

Voting Detail:

Phillip
Buessing: Yea

Todd Grimes: Yea

Stan Keim: Yea

Kathy Lippert: Yea

Doug Renyer: Yea

Jim Scoby: Yea

Leslie Scoby: Yea

Voting Summary: Yea: 7, Nay: 0

Discussion: Mr. Bauman joined the executive session at 7:05 p.m. Mr. Garber left the session at 7:07 p.m.

8. **Tennis Court Lease**

Action(s):

I move to enter into the lease with the City of Sabetha as presented. This motion, made by Kathy Lippert and seconded by Todd Grimes, Carried.

Voting Detail:

Phillip
Buessing: Yea

Todd Grimes: Yea

Stan Keim: Yea

Kathy Lippert: Yea

Doug Renyer: Yea

Jim Scoby: Yea

Leslie Scoby: Yea

Voting Summary: Yea: 7, Nay: 0

Discussion: Mr. Evans shared information regarding a Tennis Court Lease. This could be paid with Greater Manhattan Community Foundation funds that are ear-marked for girls' extracurricular activities. Mr. Evans proposed entering into a 5 year lease with the City if they pay for repairs to the tennis courts.

Todd Grimes suggested that the District have a long-term facilities plan.

9. **Approve Bike Across Kansas use of District Facilities**

Action(s):

I make a motion to approve the use of District

Facilities for Bike Across Kansas. This motion, made by Kathy Lippert and seconded by Phillip Buessing, Carried.

Voting Detail:

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

Voting Summary: Yea: 7, Nay: 0

10. Approve new district voting district map

Action(s):

I move that we approve the district map. This motion, made by Phillip Buessing and seconded by Kathy Lippert, Carried.

Voting Detail:

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

Voting Summary: Yea: 7, Nay: 0

11. Axtell proposal for Sagebrush Shootout Basketball Tournament @ Brewster, KS

Action(s):

I make a motion to direct Mr. Tynon to enter the proposed basketball tournament if closer games are not found. This motion, made by Phillip Buessing and seconded by Doug Renyer, Carried.

Voting Detail:

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

Voting Summary: Yea: 6, Nay: 1

Discussion: Mr. Tynon provided information about the Axtell High School Basketball regular season overnight tournament stay proposal at Brewster.

12. Nemaha County Neighborhood Revitalization Plan

Action(s):

I move to approve the resolution for the

Neighborhood Revitalization Plan. This motion, made by Kathy Lippert and seconded by Stan Keim, Carried.

Voting Detail:

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

Voting Summary: Yea: 7, Nay: 0

13. Select USD 113 BOE members to serve on the Negotiations Team

Action(s):

I make a motion that we have Kathy Lippert, Stan Keim, and Todd Grimes serve on the Negotiations Team. This motion, made by Leslie Scoby and seconded by Phillip Buessing, Carried.

Voting Detail:

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

Voting Summary: Yea: 7, Nay: 0

I move to approve no school for SES kindergartners on April 25 for Kindergarten Round-up. This motion, made by Kathy Lippert and seconded by Jim Scoby, Carried.

Voting Detail:

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

Voting Summary: Yea: 7, Nay: 0

Discussion: Agenda Item 13A (added to the agenda)
-- April 25 No School (Kindergarten round-up).

14. Adjourn

Action(s):

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

Voting Detail:

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

Voting Summary: Yea: 7, Nay: 0

Discussion: Meeting adjourned at 7:50 p.m.

Board Secretary

