

Quinter Public Schools USD 293
Official Minutes of Regular Board Meeting
November 9, 2015

President Dave Polifka called the Regular Board of Education meeting to order at 7:00 P.M. In attendance were Aaron Betz, Shane Mann, Giovanni Caasi, Travis Hargitt, Robert Herl, and Tara Thornburg. Also Attending were Supt./Princ. Linda Zeigler; Principal Toby Countryman; Clerk Evone Waggoner; and Teachers John Crist, Shelby Gottschalk, and Chris Lee; Patrons Mikey Lewis, Terra Blackwill, Carmen Simon, and Don Tilton; Students Taya Thornburg, Carma Wolf, and Katherine Simon.	Call to Order
Motion to approve the agenda. Betz/Caasi (m/s/c 6-0)	Approval of Agenda
Tara Thornburg entered the Board of Education meeting at 7:01 PM	Information Report
Motion to approve the Regular Board of Education meeting minutes of October 12, 2015. Mann/Hargitt (m/s/c 7-0)	Approval of Minutes
Motion to approve bill checks #20886 thru 20948. Betz/Mann (m/s/c 7-0)	Approval of Bills
John Crist presented the AD report. Winter sports participation numbers: JH Boys basketball 18; JH Girls basketball 16; HS boys basketball 15; HS girls basketball 16. Castle Rock Classic will have the same eight teams as in the past. Golden Plains and Cheylin will be leaving the tournament after this year. Castle Rock Classic will be down to six teams if the teams can not be replaced.	Information Report
Taya Thornburg and Carma Wolf presented the STUCO report. Events and projects that have been done this year were the Party on the Field and curtains put in the Boys upstairs bathroom. Events being planned are fund raiser for Luke Schemm's family, STUCO lock-in, can food drive, can dance, Gratitude Tuesday, and movie day.	Information Report
Shane Mann presented the GS Site Council report and the HS Site Council report was cancelled.	
Toby Countryman presented the PDC report.	
Aaron Betz presented the NKESC report. None	
Linda Zeigler presented the Transportation report. Just few repairs on older buses.	
Toby Countryman presented the junior-senior building report. Carmen Simon and Chris Lee requested leaving on Saturday for their Senior trip to support state music participants if they make it to state. Golden Plains Credit Union and City Recreation have donated a total of \$1600 toward the Athletic department which has purchased a new board for the scoreboard clock and a Traeger grill for the concession stand. Parent/Teacher conference turnout rate for JR/SR High was 74%. FFA Dairy foods team took 12 students to their last competition and 10 placed! Most placed within the top 5 of each category in which they competed! SH Scholars' bowl placed 2nd at Healy and 1st at Dighton, JH Scholars' bowl at Dighton 8th grade placed 3rd and 7th grade placed 2nd. State Cross Country runner results: Carma Wolf placed 25th, Nicholas Wente placed 25th and Evie Gruenbacher placed 38th at Wamego on Saturday, October 31st. Hailen Weintz was only one of five students from Northwest Kansas to qualify for the state KMEA choir. She is the first JH student from Quinter to qualify! Have hired Marcia Johnson as custodian and just need board approval. Technology plans no longer have to be approved by the state. Children's Neighborhood would like to host a soup supper at a high school basketball game in February. School play will be performed on November 13th and 14th.	
Motion to approve Senior class leaving on Saturday to attend State music before their Senior Trip. Herl/Caasi (m/s/c 7-0)	Action Item
Motion to accept Credit Union \$1250 donation and City Recreation \$350 donation for Athletics. Polifka/Betz (m/s/c 7-0)	Action Item
Motion to approve a custodian contract for Marcia Johnson as presented. Polifka/Thornburg (m/s/c 7-0)	Action Item
Motion to approve a Children's Neighborhood soup supper on February 23rd at Quinter High School. Mann/Betz (m/s/c 7-0)	Action Item

Linda Zeigler presented the grade school building report. Moms and more than half of the Dads came to Parent/Teacher conferences. If parents couldn't make it, teachers rescheduled. Mrs. Zeigler reported that 6th grade basketball had to do a little tweaking on times but for the most part everything is going well. To try and balance the SPED loads better next year Ms. Moffitt will come over for IEP's for 5th and 6th graders. Information Report

Linda Zeigler presented the all-schools report. Administrators will be out of the office some to take care of medical issues during the next month.

Don Tilton reviewed the Mapes & Miller audit report for the year ending 2014-2015.

Motion to approve the audit report for year ending 2014-2015. Betz/Herl (m/s/c 7-0)

Action Item

Linda Zeigler presented the Superintendent's report. State revenues continue to be lower than estimates. Block Grant found to be unconstitutional. Senator Ralph Ostmeyer supported and helped Quinter Schools by meeting with the State Finance Council before decision was made on distribution of additional Extraordinary Needs Funding in the amount of \$232,975.60 (90%) of the requested funds to repay Sheridan County. Efficiency Study asks Districts to look at being more efficient with funding. State Assessment Results were reviewed. Information Report

Old Business:

Superintendent/Principal interview process was discussed. Position is posted on the KASB, KEEB websites, and 75 brochures have been mailed out to smaller districts across the state. Interviews could start by Christmas break if it works better for some candidates but no decision would be made until all interviews are conducted.

New Business:

Mrs. Zeigler reminded the Board that there is now mandatory negotiations training for school board members. KASB will be hosting a half day in Oakley at NKESC on March 1, 2016, and in Hays on April 12, 2016. Information Report

Motion to enter into executive session with Supt. Linda Zeigler, and Princ. Toby Countryman at 8:13 PM until 8:38 PM for 15 minutes to discuss personnel matters of non-elected personnel. Polifka/Mann (m/s/c 7-0) The executive session is necessary to protect the privacy interests of the individuals to be discussed. **Executive Session**

The Board of Education meeting returned to open session at 8:38 PM. Information Report

Dave Polifka adjourned the Board of Education meeting at 8:40 PM. **Adjournment**

Approved:  Date: 12-1-15 Clerk:  Date: 12-7-15
President: _____