

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

**Call to Order:**

President Dave Polifka called the Regular Board of Education meeting to order at 7:00 P.M. In attendance were Rhonda Coburn, Aaron Betz, Giovanni Caasi, Doug Kuntz, Shane Mann, and Robert Herl. Also Attending were Supt./Princ. Linda Zeigler; Principal Toby Countryman; Clerk Evone Waggoner; Teacher John Crist; Patrons Travis Hargitt, Mikey Lewis, Tyler Remington, Eric Baalman, Patrick Hargitt, Andrew Kuntz, Brendon Boone, and D. Allan Kuntz; Students Josh Bell, Jason Werth, Hailey Kerns, and Shelby Coburn.

**Approval of Agenda:** Motion to approve the agenda. Mann/Caasi (m/s/c 7-0)

**Approval of Minutes:** Motion to approve the Regular Board of Education meeting minutes of February 9, 2015.  
Coburn/Betz (m/s/c 7-0)

**Approval of Bills:** Motion to approve bill checks #20319 thru 20365 including additional bills. Coburn/Kuntz (m/s/c 7-0)

**AD Report:**

John Crist informed the Board that the Sub-State Basketball Tournament went well and thanked everybody who helped with all three tournaments this year. Quinter hosted 104 basketball games in our gyms this season. Spring sports numbers for JH track are: girls 12 and boys 9. High school track has not started yet. HS volleyball uniforms are next in the rotation cycle to be replaced. Mr. Crist corresponded with Terry Ostmeyer through emails, and looked at projected student numbers for Wheatland, Grinnell and Quinter for the next 8-10 years, it was decided that this would put a football cooperative agreement at 11 man which would not benefit either of our schools, and as a result it was decided not to pursue the agreement any further.

**STUCO Report:**

None

**Site Council Report:** HS & GS meetings were postponed.

**PDC Report:** Presented by Linda Zeigler

**NKESC Report:** Presented by Aaron Betz

**Transportation Report:**

District is already seeing a cost savings on fuel due to the agreement with T & T Chemical.

**Public Forum:**

Mikey Lewis representing the Quinter Fire Department and Quinter Alumni requested permission to use the far East side of the practice field to set off fireworks on July 17th. Consensus of the Board was to approve the request.

**Grade School Building Report:**

Interviewing teacher candidates and mentor teachers help with the process. Mrs. Zeigler thanked teachers for their willingness to work together to assess and teach. State Assessments will start after Easter in April. Students will have nine or ten sessions depending on grade level. Mrs. Zeigler is considering staff to meet student needs for next year. Tender Hearts Daycare has requested to use the lunch room again this summer for school age students.

**Action Item:**

Motion to approve Tender Hearts school age daycare to use the cafeteria for the summer with the same rate charged last year.  
Betz/Mann (m/s/c 7-0)

**Junior-Senior Building Report:**

Nex-Tech security proposal for door closure was reviewed. Mr. Countryman gave a report on the use of the Green house from Mr. Nicholson, Mr. Churchwell and FFA pals. Teacher interviews are going well and receiving a lot of qualified individuals. Evaluations are wrapped up. Survey will be sent to students and parents on technology use in the home. Ashley Miller competed at State Poetry Outloud. Brice Hackler competed for the third year at State Piano Contest and received a II rating. Joshua Caasi received the President's Volunteer Service Award, Bethany Herl received the Mason's Exemplary Student Award, Brian Roesch received the Mason's Exemplary Teacher award, and Shelby Coburn signed with Butler County Community College for track. JH/SH school is preparing for State Assessments, and Seniors to take Work Keys test to get certified before they graduate. Spring activities are starting. Mr. Countryman is preparing the calendar and schedule for next year. Shelby Coburn requested use of two suburbans for 16 students of the Science Club to attend the Denver Botanical Gardens on May 16th.

**Action Item:**

Motion to approve use of two suburbans by the Science Club with the club paying all fuel expenses on May 16th. Coburn/Kuntz (m/s/c 7-0)

**All-School Report:**

All teachers were trained with ethics for State Assessments and will practice some with students.

**Superintendent's Report:**

Shane Mann and Mrs. Zeigler reported on the town hall meeting they attended with Representative Don Hineman and Senator Ralph Ostmeyer. Governor's Allotment won't happen if block grant bill is passed. Mr. Countryman reported that the bill allowing home school students to participate in sports did make it out of committee. Mrs. Zeigler reported on bills of interest that made it out of committee; Salaries of the top three employees will need to be posted on the schools web site; Board member elections moved to primary elections; Negotiation change; Board of Education conflict of interest; and Common Core were a few bills she mentioned. Mrs. Zeigler reviewed budget consideration ideas from administration, BOE discussions and teachers.

**Old Business:**

Health insurance presentation was reviewed. Mrs. Zeigler reviewed with Board Candidates present a packet of information on the mission statement, goals, strategic plan, and district budget.

**New Business:**

Resignations were presented for Peter Ruhlen as band/music teacher, Kirsten Lundgren as cheerleading sponsor, and Alisha Weimaster as 1st grade teacher for board approval.

**Action Item:**

Motion to accept Peter Ruhlen's resignation as band/music teacher as of the end of the school year. Polifka/Mann (m/s/c 7-0)

**Action Item:**

Motion to accept Kirsten Lundgren's resignation as cheerleading sponsor. Mann/Betz (m/s/c 7-0)

**Action Item:**

Motion to accept Alisha Weimaster's resignation as teacher as of the end of the school year. Betz/Kuntz (m/s/c 7-0)

**Executive Session**

Motion to enter into executive session with Supt. Linda Zeigler, and Princ. Toby Countryman at 8:01 PM until 8:16 PM for 15 minutes to discuss personnel. Polifka/Caasi (m/s/c 7-0) The executive session is necessary to protect the privacy interests of the individuals to be discussed.

The Board of Education meeting returned to open session at 8:16 PM.

**Information Report**

Shane Mann left the Board of Education meeting at 8:16 PM

**Adjournment:**

Dave Polifka adjourned the Board of Education meeting at 8:22 PM.

**Approved:**

President: Dave Polifka

Date: 4-13-15

Clerk: Ervene Waggener

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