

**Quinter Public Schools USD 293**  
**Official Minutes of Regular Board Meeting**  
**June 21, 2021**

**Call to Order:**

President Aaron Betz called the Regular Board of Education Meeting to order at 7:30pm. In attendance were Kristal Werth, Tiffany Gillespie, Shane Mann, Tara Thornburg, and Robert Herl. Board member not in attendance was Giovanni Caasi. Also attending were Supt./Princ. Kurt Brown; Princ. Toby Countryman; Clerk Evone Waggoner; and Patron Mike Haase.

**Approval of Agenda:**

Motion to approve the agenda as presented. Mann/Werth (m/s/c 5-0)

**Information Report:**

Robert Herl entered the Board of Education meeting at 7:31pm.

**Approval of Minutes:**

Motion to approve the regular board of education meeting minutes of May 12, 2021. Werth/Thornburg (m/s/c 6-0)

**Approval of Bills:**

Motion to approve bill checks #25421 thru 25520. Mann/Herl (m/s/c 6-0)

**AD Report:** None

**OTA Report:** None

**STUCO Report:** None

**NKESC Reports:**

Shane Mann presented the NKESC report.

**Public Forum:**

Mike Haase representing the Gove County Emergency Management department presented the Kansas Homeland Security Region A Hazard Mitigation Plan for renewal.

**Action Item:**

Motion to adopt the Kansas Homeland Security Region A Hazard Mitigation Plan resolution. Werth/Mann (m/s/c 6-0)

**Transportation Report:** None

**Grade School Building Report:**

Rooms are being cleaned and painted. Tracie and Aaron Betz volunteered to paint the SPED room. Randy and Peggy Porter are donating carpet for the SPED room. Library is getting a facelift. Tom and Jayme Zimmerman are donating paint and labor to paint the nurse's office and also donating flooring. The gym is painted. Ryan Walt and Linda Roesch volunteered to paint their classrooms. Teacher vacancies will be filled pending board approval. Summer Tutoring is scheduled and ready for implementation.

**Junior-Senior School Building Report:**

Mr. Countryman recommended hiring Brad Wagoner as a substitute for summer weights and splitting sponsors duties for Q-Club between John Crist and Allison Polifka. Board consensus was given to Equity Bank to use the school district name and bulldog on their credit cards and allow Golden Plains Credit Union to host a "Black Out Game" on September 17<sup>th</sup>. The City of Quinter inquired about working with the school to turn the tennis courts into pickle ball courts. Mr. Countryman will check with Mrs. Polifka about the KAYS project for the tennis courts and ask the City of Quinter to present a project proposal. Student and staff successes were presented. Lots of summer activities are happening and getting ready for the next school year.

**All School Building Report:**

Fastbridge and State Assessment Data was reviewed for the district. The State has implemented that districts must track At-Risk students. Student, Classified, and Substitute Handbooks were tabled to the July board meeting. Surplus property was presented for selling or disposal.

**Action Items:**

Motion to approve the surplus property list as presented. Werth/Betz (m/s/c 6-0)

**Superintendent's Report:**

Mr. Brown reported on State & Local Finance/Legislative updates. ESSER funding was reviewed. District will apply for federal grant money through E-rate to pay for WIFI on busses, mobile hotspots and chromebooks. Schools for Quality Education Membership was discussed. Kristal Werth registered for board member re-elections. Robert Herl missed the sign-up deadline so will run as a write in candidate for re-election in November. KASB June policy updates will be reviewed by a committee to present at the July meeting.

**Superintendent's Report Cont.:**

Aaron Betz, Kristal Werth, Toby Countryman, and Kurt Brown will serve on the committee. Symmetry has dropped its contract with KASB. KASB is using the law firm to develop a contract with a new natural gas provider. The dispute over February billing has also been turned over to the law firm. At the budget meeting we were informed that we have to encumber the disputed February gas bill. Recommended to encumber it out of Contingency Reserve Fund.

**Action Items:**

Motion to encumber Symmetry remaining February gas bill out of Contingency Reserve Fund. Mann/Herl (m/s/c 6-0)

**New Business:**

Recommend appointing Casey Kopf as assistant treasurer. Marsha Jamison needs removed from bank signature cards and Casey Kopf needs added. GS playground additional local donations of \$14,660.62 needs approved. Year end budget transfers were reviewed.

**Action Item:**

Motion to approve Casey Kopf as Asst. Treasurer. Betz/Gillespie (m/s/c 6-0)

Motion to remove Marsha Jamison and add Casey Kopf from all bank signature cards. Herl/Gillespie (m/s/c 6-0)

Motion to accept playground donations as presented. Werth/Thornburg (m/s/c 6-0)

Motion to approve the following year end transfers with final adjustments as recommended: Capital Outlay \$1,367.82, SPED \$20,000, Career and Postsecondary Education \$20,000, Contingency Reserve \$22,183.69, and Textbook \$3,000 with the superintendent having the authority to adjust as needed if further bills come in. Betz/Mann (m/s/c 6-0)

**Old Business:**

Pandemic Response Plan for the 2021-22 school year and COVID-19 Employee Memorandum of Understanding for the 2021-22 school year were reviewed. Enrollment will rebound a little bit. The MOU expired on May 31<sup>st</sup>.

**Action Item:**

Motion to allow the Pandemic Response Plan to expire on June 30, 2021. Werth/Thornburg (m/s/c 6-0)

**Information Report:**

Board of Education took a break at 8:56pm.

**Personnel:**

Jessica Howard resigned as teacher and Monica Countryman has resigned as JH head volleyball coach. New Hires: Summer tutoring; Rae Ann Mattke, Kayla Waggoner, Ashley Roehl, Margaret Porter, and Janice Crist. Recommend Rebecca (Becky) Kruse as the 5/6 reading/ Title I teacher. Linda Roesch as the 3rd grade teacher upon verification of eligibility criteria. Allison Polifka as shared Q-Club sponsor. Max Nicholson, Garrett Press as substitute bus drivers upon verification of eligibility criteria. Summer weights substitute - Brad Wagoner upon verification of eligibility criteria. Discuss recommended raises for FY 22 classified and administration contracts, new hire salary matrix, and extra duty pay in executive session.

**Personnel Executive Session:**

Board of Education went into executive session at 9:03pm.

Aaron Betz moved to enter into executive session with Supt. Kurt Brown and Princ. Toby Countryman present to discuss employee contracts/job duties pursuant to the non-elected personnel exception under KOMA. The meeting will resume to the board room at 9:35pm. Betz/Gillespie (m/s/c 6-0)

Toby Countryman and Kurt Brown left the executive session at 9:25pm.

The Board of Education meeting returned to open session at 9:35pm.

**Action Items:**

Motion to approve the Substitute/Duty Pay Scale as amended. Herl/Mann (m/s/c 6-0)

Motion to approve the Salary Matrix for New Hires as presented. Mann/Werth (m/s/c 6-0)

Motion to approve classified/administration contracts for 2021-2022 as amended. Betz/Thornburg (m/s/c 6-0)

Motion to accept Jessica Howard's resignation as teacher and Monica Countryman's resignation as JH head volleyball coach. Werth/Gillespie (m/s/c 6-0)

Motion to approve new hires as presented. Betz/Mann (m/s/c 6-0)

Board of Education Meeting

June 21, 2021

Page 3

**Negotiation Executive Session:**

Board of Education went into executive session at 9:42pm.

Robert Herl moved to enter into executive session with Supt. Kurt Brown, and Princ. Toby Countrymnan to discuss Negotiated Agreement pursuant to the exception for employer-employee negotiations under KOMA, and the open meeting will resume to the board room at 9:55pm. Herl/Mann (m/s/c 6-0)

The Board of Education meeting returned to open session at 9:55pm.

**Action Item:**

Motion to approve the USD 293 Negotiated Agreement for the 2021-2022 school year as presented. Herl/Gillespie (m/s/c 6-0)

**Adjournment:**

Aaron Betz adjourned the Board of Education meeting at 10:05pm.

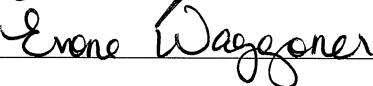
President: \_\_\_\_\_



Date: \_\_\_\_\_

7-8-21

Clerk: \_\_\_\_\_



Date: \_\_\_\_\_

7-8-2021