

**Quinter Public Schools USD 293**  
**Official Minutes of Regular Board Meeting**  
**June 8, 2015**

**Call to Order:**

President Dave Polifka called the Regular Board of Education meeting to order at 7:04 P.M. In attendance were Aaron Betz, Giovanni Caasi, and Shane Mann. Board members not in attendance were Rhonda Coburn, Doug Kuntz and Robert Herl. Also attending were Supt./Princ. Linda Zeigler; Principal Toby Countryman; Clerk Evone Waggoner; Teachers John Crist and Steve Nicholson; Board elected candidates Travis Hargitt, and Tara Thornburg; Patrons Matt and Daryl Havlas, Doug Gruenbacher, Greg Gillespie.

**Approval of Agenda:** Motion to approve the agenda. Betz/Caasi (m/s/c 4-0)

**Approval of Minutes:** Motion to approve the Regular Board of Education meeting minutes of May 11, 2015 and Special Board of Education meeting minutes of May 28, 2015.  
Betz/Mann (m/s/c 4-0)

**Approval of Bills:** Motion to approve bill checks #20483 thru 20548 including additional bills. Caasi/Polifka (m/s/c 4-0)

**AD Report:**

John Crist congratulated the girls track team for their 6th place finish at the State Track Meet. Shelby Coburn took 2nd place in the Shot Put, Sarah Bird placed 4th in the 400, 5th in the 800, and 4th in the Long Jump; 4 x 400 Relay consisting of Brooke Blackwill, Carma Wolf, Ashley Miller, and Sarah Bird took 3rd.

**QTA Report:** The Quinter Teachers' Association has nominated and accepted both Connie McDaniel and Joel Kuchera to be inducted into the Quinter Teachers' Wall of Fame. Both teachers will be recognized and honored during the All-School reunion.

**STUCO Report:** None

**Site Council Report:** None

**PDC Report:** None

**NKESC Report:** Presented by Aaron Betz

**Transportation Report:**

Linda Zeigler reported that she had Arlan Wolf go to NKESC to look at the busses up for bid.

**Public Forum:**

Matt Havlas presented concerns with moving JH sports to after school and moving SH practice to 5:15 PM. Dave Polifka asked for input from coaches and patrons present.

**Grade School Building Report:**

Hospital Daycare numbers are down so will not be using the school cafeteria for Day Care. Continuous Improvement sheets sent with report cards for K-6 students were reviewed. Faculty meetings next year will be held in classrooms. Classroom teachers orders for next year varied according to needs. Some teachers chose to order less or are using what they have.

**Junior-Senior School Building Report:**

School year ended smoothly. 85 students in the building last week for driver's ed, summer math and science camp. Mr. Countryman is wrapping up state required reports. Some bushes have been removed that were dead and cleaning is in full swing. Goal is to have the building ready for the first day of school by July 17th for the alumni reunion. A mower has been purchased and additional cost was a power lift deck and the fuel injected engine. Mr. Countryman and Mrs. Zeigler asked for approval to sell one of the old mowers. Mr. Countryman has an interview with an applicant for the custodian position in the morning. Mr. Countryman presented a new App from Jostens for better and timelier communication with parents at no cost to the District. Mr. Countryman will be attending an Impact Institute in Hays with several teachers next week. In July Mr. Countryman will begin the purchasing of Chromebooks.

**Action Item:**

Motion to approve selling the old mower. Mann/Betz (m/s/c 4-0)

**All-School Report:**

Janitorial staff working together to prepare for Alumni and for next school year.

**Superintendent's Report:**

Mrs. Zeigler reviewed legislators' actions in Topeka. Working after retirement laws for KPERS have changed. Board election dates have changed from the spring to fall so some board members will have 4 1/2 years instead of 4. Clean up bill holds districts to similar routes for out of district students.

**Superintendent's Report Cont.:**

Tax bill considered would have cut schools 5.7% which would have been \$106,000 for USD 293. Budget meetings will be late this year due to the block grant, KSDE has to redo the computer program. KSDE was cut \$700,000 from its budget. Budget check form was reviewed and at this time the General fund is in the hole. Maintenance salaries will have to be moved to Capital Outlay to balance the year's budget. Budget Considerations form was updated with things that have been done. Strategic Plan goals were reviewed by Mrs. Zeigler and Toby Countryman. District was approved for the 70% E-rate funding on technology improvements and work will begin in July. Shane Mann, Tara Thornburg, and Travis Hargitt reviewed the KASB New Board Member Workshop they attended in Hays.

**Information Report**

Board of Education took a five minute break at 8:09 PM.

**Old Business:**

6th grade participation in JH sports was discussed. Pros and cons were discussed on moving JH athletics to after school. Consensus of the Board was to not move JH sports to after school. Mrs. Zeigler was asked to report back at the year end special meeting on how the schedule would work if 6th grade was allowed to participate in JH sports.

**New Business:**

Mrs. Zeigler informed the Board of Stephanie Albin's resignation to pursue her teaching degree and asked the Board to accept her resignation. Coach/Supplemental contracts to be discussed in executive session. Year end Board meeting was set for June 29, 2015 at 7:00AM.

**Action Items:**

Motion to accept Stephanie Albin's resignation as secretary/para professional. Polifka/Mann (m/s/c 4-0)

**Executive Session**

Motion to enter into executive session with Supt. Linda Zeigler, Princ. Toby Countryman, and Board Elected Candidates Tara Thornburg and Travis Hargitt at 8:30 PM until 9:00 PM for 30 minutes to discuss personnel. Polifka/Betz (m/s/c 4-0) 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 9:00 PM.

**Action Item:**

Motion to offer Andrea Hargitt and John Crist each head high school track coaching contracts for the 2015-2016 season. Betz/Mann (m/s/c 4-0)

**Action Item:**

Motion to approve the following coaches and sponsors for 2015-2016 supplemental contracts; Jeff Ruckman- Summer Weightlifting, John Crist-AD and JH Head Track, Brian Roesch- Assistant JH Track, Tamara Kuntz- Assistant JH Track, Sue Ann Tebo- Forensic Sponsor, Allison Polifka- KAYS and Yearbook Sponsor, Ashley Coberly- Play Director, Kelli Getz- STUCO and Jr. Class Sponsor, Januarie Bridges- Jr. Class Sponsor and JH Scholars' Bowl Sponsor, and Angie Wagoner HS Scholars' Bowl Sponsor. Mann/Caasi (m/s/c 4-0)

**Executive Session**

Motion to enter into executive session with Board Elected Candidates Tara Thornburg, and Travis Hargitt at 9:02 PM until 9:22 PM for 20 minutes to discuss negotiations. Polifka/Betz (m/s/c 4-0) 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 9:22 PM.



**Information Report**

Dave Polifka stated that the Quinter Teachers Association was offered one step and movement for the 2015-2016 contracts and the teachers had rejected the offer.

**Adjournment:**

Dave Polifka adjourned the Board of Education meeting at 9:25 PM.

**Approved:**

President:  Date: 6-29-15 Clerk:  Date: 6-29-15