

**Minutes of the Board of Education
Unified School District No. 435
Dickinson County**

Abilene, Kansas

June 8, 2020

The Board of Education (the “Governing Body”) of Abilene Unified School District No. 435 met for their regular monthly meeting in the board room of the district office at 7:00 p.m. on Monday, June 8, 2020, with live streaming on the district’s website, with the following members:

Present: Jeff Bathurst, Kyle Becker, Randy Gassman, Robert Keener, Veronica Murray, Jennifer Waite, Chris West

Absent: none

Others attending all or part of the meeting: Superintendent - Greg Brown, Assistant Superintendent - Chris Cooper, Board Clerk - Joan Anderson, Technology Director - Mike Liby, Abilene Reflector- Chronicle - Kathy Hageman, AMS Principal - Jenna Delay, DDE Principal - Ethan Gruen, Dori Collins, Laurie Rimmel, OPAA Personnel (Jack Koehn, Kay Divelbiss, Byron Wofford, Kim Gregory, Jennifer Tiller, Lisa Harris, Neil Broderick, and Kayla Neiman) Tanya Sims, Brian Roth, Deb Roth, Samantha Millican, Christian Sommer, Denise Liby, Dave Canfield, Patty Canfield, Doug Smart

Opening of the Meeting

Call the Meeting to Order

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by President Kyle Becker.

Approval of the Agenda

Randy Gassman moved to approve the agenda as presented and allow OOPA! to finish their presentation. Veronica Murray seconded the motion. Motion carried 7-0.

OOPA! Food Management

Kay Divelbiss and Jack Koehn continued with the presentation from the special meeting.

Consent Agenda

Superintendent Brown summarized the following items on the consent agenda:

Approval of minutes for the following meetings: May 11, 2020; May 15, 2020
Approval of District Office, High School, and Middle School finance reports
Approval of Personnel Update
Mentor Stipends

Randy Gassman moved to approve the consent agenda as presented. Jennifer Waite seconded the motion. Motion carried 7-0.

Discussion of any item(s) removed from the Consent Agenda

None

Presentation/Donations

Special End of Year Recognition

Due to Covid-19, the district was unable to have their end of year recognition for staff members. The following staff were recognized and thanked for their years of service:

Dave Canfield - Maintenance Director - 15 years

Julie Turner - Kennedy Custodian - 15 years

Brian Roth - DCLE/ Virtual Director - 25 years

Tanya Sims - 5th Grade Teacher at Eisenhower - Retirement

Brian Roth was also recognized with a certificate from Kansas University for his 25 years of service to education.

Donation for Summer Science Program

Hank Royer spoke about the founding of the Jeffcoat Foundation and presented a \$10,000 check, on behalf of the foundation, to Summer Science Program staff Christian Sommers, Samantha Millican, and Denise Liby to help fund the Summer Science Program.

Veronica Murray moved to accept the \$10,000 donation to the Summer Science Program. Chris West seconded the motion with a very big thank you. Motion carried 7-0.

Christian Sommers, Sam Millican, and Denise Liby highlighted this year's activities for the program.

Kyle Becker left the meeting at 7:25 p.m.

Action/Discussion

2020-2021 District Insurance Premium

Doug Smart from Smart Insurance presented changes to the insurance renewal premium for 2020-2021. The premium will be approximately \$358,250 which is a 7% increase from last year. Discussion was held.

Chris West moved to accept the insurance premium renewal. Jeff Bathurst seconded the motion. Motion carried 6-0.

Kyle Becker returned to the meeting at 7:45 p.m.

Facilities & Technology

Facility Updates/Financing & Capital Outlay

An update on the Vo-Ag building project was given.

Chris West left the meeting at 7:46 p.m.

The stadium work is on hold while permits are being completed. It was noted that certain items had been sold that were not needed. The fund raising campaign for the stadium is in progress. It was noted that the

stadium project would be paid through a ten-year lease purchase agreement. A Reimbursement Resolution would need to be approved.

Discussion was held.

Jeff Bathurst moved to approve Reimbursement Resolution # 05202020. Veronica Murray seconded the motion. Motion carried 6-0.

Student Development

Handbook Addendums

Handbook Addendums from AHS and Kennedy Pre-K were presented. The high school addendum was mainly editorial and the Pre-K was in process when the handbooks were previously approved.

Veronica Murray moved to approve the handbook addendums as presented. Jennifer Waite seconded the motion. Motion carried 6-0.

Calendar - Edited Revisions

The 2020-2021 approved calendar had edited revisions that were presented. The following are the date changes: Graduation Day - May 23, Seniors last day - May 19, and Visible Learning cancelled (Sept 22) and changed to an inservice day on Sept 28.

Chris West returned to the meeting at 7:54 p.m.

Strategic Plan - Second Read & KESA

This was the second reading of the Strategic Plan. The strategic plan aligns with KESA which is the plan for accreditation. The board will have a work session with the administrative team in August to review the strategic plan.

Veronica Murray moved to approve the 2020 five-year Strategic Plan. Rob Keener seconded the motion. Motion carried 7-0.

Building Trades House Sale

The trades house is almost complete and three potential buyers have already expressed interest. Superintendent Brown wanted to establish a reserve for a minimum bid. He would like the reserve to be \$69,000. The buyer would also need to pay the sales tax on the materials. Discussion was held.

Randy Gassman moved to go forward with a \$69,000 reserve bid on the trades house plus sales tax. Jeff Bathurst seconded the motion. Motion carried. 7-0.

Learning Partnership

SITE Council Minutes

SITE council minutes were presented from McKinley.

Jeff Bathurst moved to approve the SITE council minutes. Rob Keener seconded the motion. Motion carried 7-0.

Board-Administrator Communications

Close Out 2019-20 Fiscal Year

Last year, the board approved giving the superintendent and board clerk the authority to transfer funds to close out the fiscal year instead of having a special meeting. Discussion was held.

Randy Gassman moved to give the superintendent and board clerk authority to make the appropriate transfers to close out the 2019-20 fiscal year. Chris West seconded the motion. Motion carried 7-0.

Other

There will be a reception at the district office for outgoing Assistant Superintendent Chris Cooper on Thursday, June 18 from 2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. Discussion was held about holding a special board meeting at Mr. K's Farmhouse to take Chris and Vicki Cooper out to supper before Chris leaves.

Jeff Bathurst moved to have a special meeting at Mr. K's Farmhouse on Wednesday, June 17 at 6:30 p.m. Veronica Murray seconded the motion. Motion carried 7-0.

Adjournment

Jennifer Waite moved to adjourn. Chris West seconded the motion. Motion carried 7-0.

The meeting adjourned at 8:14 p.m.

7-13-20

Date



President



Clerk

Personnel Update

Action for June 8, 2020

Resignations and Retirements

<u>Category</u>	<u>Employee</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Status</u>
Classified	Logan McDowell	AHS Asst. Wrestling Coach	Resignation
Classified	Kari Beetch	Full Time Bus Driver	Termination
Classified	Jennifer Butler	AHS Food Service Main Cook	Resignation
Classified	Caleb Angolo	Food Service Director	Resignation
Classified	Jerry Hitchcock	Full time Route Driver	Resignation
Classified	Rachel McKee	DDE Lunchroom Aide/Art Aide	Resignation

*Employment, Transfers and Other Action

<u>Category</u>	<u>Employee</u>	<u>Position</u>
Classified	Dallas Meneley	AMS Asst. Football Coach
Classified	Lyndsey Buechman	District Office Summer Receptionist
Certified	Serena Hoffman	Elementary Counselor
Classified	Brian Roth	7 th Grade Girls Head Basketball Coach
Classified	Michelle Peterson	7 th Grade Girls Asst Basketball Coach
Certified	Kelsie Johnston	Spanish Teacher/Spanish Club Sponsor
Classified	Terry Faulkner	Full time Bus Driver
Classified	Jeff Sellin	Full time Bus Driver
Classified	Connie Twiggs	Substitute Bus Driver
Classified	Tyler Bryson	AHS Asst Boys Basketball Coach
Classified	Macy Heinrich	AHS Head Dance Coach
Certified	Brooklynn Vincent	Elementary K-3 Art Teacher
Classified	Jaden Walters	AHS Asst. Volleyball Coach
Classified	Joyce Steffen	Summer Food Service
Classified	Lori Wuthnow	Summer Food Service
Classified	Destiny Sprouse	Summer Food Service
Classified	Jaden Wood	Summer Food Service
Classified	Camron Henkle	Summer Food Service
Classified	Adrienne Kough	Summer Food Service
Classified	Marilyn Palmer	Summer Food Service
Classified	Juanita Issitt	Eisenhower Library Aide
Classified	Jaden Walters	Summer Tech Help
Classified	Jaden Walters	Summer Food Service
Classified	Stoney Farr	Summer Food Service
Classified	Steve Freed	AMS Head Custodian (wanted to stay another year)

Employment – Substitute Teachers

<u>Category</u>	<u>Employee</u>	<u>Position</u>
-----------------	-----------------	-----------------

Current positions open – June 8, 2020

DDE Lunchroom Aide/Art Aide
Food Service Director
AHS Food Service Main Cook
AHS Asst Wrestling Coach
DDE Lunchroom Supervisor

AHS Track Asst.
McKinley Part-time Custodian
AHS Asst Cheer Coach
Bus Barn Assistant
McKinley Lunchroom Aide
Kennedy Breakfast Supervisor
Full time Sub Driver
Substitutes ABC afterschool program
Substitute bus drivers
Substitute food service
Substitute custodians
Substitute teachers

*Upon receipt of signed contracts, the Board of Education President is authorized to sign.