

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

Abilene, Kansas

October 28, 2020

The Board of Education of Abilene Unified School District No. 435 held a special meeting in the commons area of the Abilene Middle School on Wednesday, October 28, 2020, at 6:00 p.m. with the following members:

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

Absent: none

Others attending all or part of the meeting: Superintendent - Greg Brown, Asst. Superintendent - Dana Sprinkle, Board Clerk - Joan Anderson, Administrators - Dr. Ben Smith, Will Burton, Jenna Delay, Derek Berns, Ethan Gruen, Mindy Sanders (by zoom), and Dr. Twyla Sprouse

Opening of Meeting

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 6:06 p.m. by President Kyle Becker.

Approval of Agenda

Jeff Bathurst moved to approve the agenda. Jennifer Waite seconded the motion. Motion carried 7-0.

Work/Study Session

Strategic Planning/KESA

The intention of the district is to have the Strategic Plan and the Accreditation process come together simultaneously. Superintendent Brown lead the work/study session by first having board members and administrators review and rate the success of the short term goals set a year ago.

The KESA Year-One System summary had been completed and was presented. It was noted that the district is now on pause due to COVID which means year two and three will be combined. The State Board of Education critiques schools on the following goals: Social-Emotional Factors, Kindergarten Readiness, Individual Plans of Study, High School Graduation, and Post Secondary Success. Round table discussions were held concerning the strengths and

weaknesses in each area noting possible goals. These goals were then placed on Abilene's Five-Pillar Strategic Plan. The session ended with each individual prioritizing these short-term goals. The results of this prioritization will be compiled by Superintendent Brown and presented at the November board meeting.

Adjournment


Chris West moved to adjourn. Jeff Bathurst seconded the motion. Motion carried 7-0.

The meeting adjourned at 7:41 p.m.

11-9-20
Date



President



Clerk