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UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT #326 – LOGAN

MONDAY, December 11, 2023

Logan Unified School District #326 Board of Education, met in regular session in the board room at 305 N Sherman, Logan, KS, to conduct school business. Members present when the meeting was called to order were: Phillip Gottstine, President; Jim Ashmore, Vice-President; Ashlee Tien, member; Ryan Grammon, member; Shane DeBoer, member; Christina Delimont, member and Lynette Stockman, member.

Officials present:  Michael Gower, Superintendent; David Kirkendall, Principal; and Joan Long, Clerk.

Other Interested Persons: Brandi Archer, Mike Erhart, Wade Brumbaugh, Brien Stockman and Robin Van Laeys.

**CALL TO ORDER:**Phil Gottstine, President, called the meeting to order at 8:00 p.m.

**CONSENT AGENDA:** Mr. Gower asked to have item B) Calendar, included under his report. Jim Ashmore moved the consent agenda; minutes of the November 13, 2023, regular meeting, agenda with item B added, purchase orders, and warrants be approved. Ashlee Tien seconded the motion. Motion carried 7-0.

**COMMUNITY PRESENTATIONS:** President Gottstine presented plaques to Lynette Stockman and Ashlee Tien for their time served on the board.

Mike Erhart reported on the Life Center Project. He informed the board the project will be closed from Saturday, December 23, 2023 until January 2, 2024 for a Christmas break. The project is still on schedule. He reported on upcoming meetings to be held for the FFE (furniture, fixture, equipment) process. Discussion ensued as to who will be included in these meetings and what is on the list of things to purchase. Board President Gottstine asked to have all board members informed of any upcoming meetings for FFE and noted decision making needs to include himself, Vice President Ashmore, Mr. Kirkendall and Mr. Gower, when available.

At 8:29 p.m. Mike Erhart and Brien Stockman left the meeting.

**PRINCIPAL’S REPORT:** Mr. Kirkendall gave an update on the facilities. He reported on the quote received from Norton Glass in the amount of $16,711.10 for replacement of two sets of steel doors in the shop area. The board asked Mr. Gower to reach out to State Glass for a bid, as they replaced the entryway doors to the elementary and high school several years ago.

Mr. Kirkendall next reported on a bid he received to replace the HVAC system in the high school with Mitsubishi units similar to the elementary end. The bid received was from Normandin Heating and Air in the amount of $266,400.00. They are still waiting on a quote from Newell Electric for wiring. Mr. Gower informed the board of a possible 10-year bond to apply for to purchase these units.

Mr. Kirkendall next reported on the meeting he attended with Robin Van Laeys and Paul Prewo in regards to scheduling sporting events. The consensus from the board was to hold one event in Palco for each high school and junior high football and basketball games. Practices will be in Palco the week the ballgame will be played at their facility.

**SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT:** Mr. Gower informed the board he has two individuals working towards obtaining their bus driver licenses—one for activity trips and one route driver. The district will provide busing on the route through January 8, 2024. If certification of driver is not obtained prior, parents will be paid to transport students to and from school until a driver is hired.

Mr. Gower next presented a possible calendar for the 2024/2025 school year. Discussion ensued. Shane DeBoer moved to adopt the school calendar as presented for the 2024/2025 school year. Lynette Stockman seconded the motion. Motion carried 7-0.

**SUPERINTENDENT AND PRINCIPAL EVALUATIONS:** At 9:09 p.m.,Phil Gottstine moved to go into executive session to discuss an individual(s) employee’s performance pursuant to non-elected personnel exception under KOMA, and requested the open meeting to resume in the board room at 9:29 p.m. Jim Ashmore seconded. Motion carried 7-0.

At 9:13 p.m., Mr. Gower was invited into the session.

The board reconvened at 9:29 p.m. At 9:30 p.m., Phil Gottstine moved to return to executive session to discuss an individual(s) employee’s performance pursuant to non-elected personnel exception under KOMA, and requested the open meeting to resume in the board room at 8:50 p.m. Jim Ashmore seconded. Motion carried 7-0.

Mr. Gower was asked to attend the session. At 9:47 p.m. Mr. Kirkendall was invited into the session.

The board reconvened at 9:50 p.m. At 9:50 p.m., Phil Gottstine moved to return to executive session to discuss an individual(s) employee’s performance pursuant to non-elected personnel exception under KOMA, and requested the open meeting to resume in the board room at 10:10 p.m. Jim Ashmore seconded. Motion carried 7-0.

The board reconvened at 10:10 p.m.

Chris Delimont moved to extend the contract for Mr. Gower through June, 2026. Jim Ashmore seconded the motion. Motion carried 7-0.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:** None.

**NCKSEC REPORT:**  Shane DeBoer informed the board of the recent meeting he attended with the main items being putting a new bid on a different building location due to conditions at present location, shortage of speech and school psychologist for next year and dealing with one case of due process.

**ADJOURNMENT:** With no further business, President Gottstine adjourned the meeting at 10:12 p.m.

**MINUTES APPROVED:**

PRESIDENT \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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