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UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT #326 – LOGAN

MONDAY, September 11, 2023

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

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

Other Interested Persons: Lynette Ehm, Brien Stockman and Mike Erhart

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

**CONSENT AGENDA:** Lynette Stockman moved the consent agenda including minutes of the August 14, 2023, regular meeting; agenda, purchase orders, and warrants be approved as presented. Ashlee Tien seconded the motion. Motion carried 7-0.

**BUDGET HEARING:**  At 8:05 p.m., Mr. Gower gave an overview of the Revenue Neutral Tax Rate, as we could possibly exceed the rate due to mill levy or evaluation increases. Shane DeBoer moved to approve the Resolution to Exceed the Revenue Neutral Tax Rate to finance the 2023-2024 Budget. Chris Delimont seconded the motion. Motion carried 7-0.

At 8:10 p.m., Mr. Gower gave an overview of the published budget. He noted the mill levy as proposed with the General, Supplemental General and Capital Outlay, totaling 50.119 mills. Discussion followed. Chris Delimont moved to approve the 2023-2024 Budget based on the state and building needs assessment information provided to and evaluated by the Board. Ryan Grammon seconded the motion. Motion carried 7-0.

**LOCAL OPTION BUDGET PERCENTAGE:** By resolution, Ashlee Tien moved to authorize a Local Option Percentage in the amount of 31.6% for the 2023-2024 school year. Shane DeBoer seconded the motion. Motion carried 7-0.

**COMMUNITY PRESENTATIONS:** Mike Erhart updated the board on the progress of the LIFE Center Project. He informed the board of additional water protection being added to the three exposed outside walls of the gymnasium. He also informed them of the blocks being laid for the storm shelter area, the cement to be poured this week for the third pod of the Manor. Wood construction should begin shortly. The project is still on schedule for completion in the fall of 2024.

Mike Erhart and Brien Stockman left the meeting at 8:39 p.m.

**DISTRICT/SUPERINTENDENT/CAPITAL OUTLAY GOALS:**Mr. Gower reviewed several goals the district has had in the past. A variety of Capital Outlay goals were discussed which included: new windows for the high school, HVAC system for the high school, repurposing the east building and location for field events.

**PRINCIPAL’S REPORT:** Mr. Kirkendall informed the board of the final numbers for enrollment with K-12 being at 111 along with 5 Pre-Kindergarten who will be five years old prior to September 20 and can be counted to increase enrollment to 116. Several factors will be considered when the remainder of the PreK 3- and 4-year olds are counted.

**SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT:** Mr. Gower informed the board of interest by several students to offer golf in the spring. The board inquired about the costs involved and the possibility of allowing dual sports so students could still participate in track. Mr. Gower will complete a cost proposal for the next meeting. There was a report of the poor gym floor conditions at the Palco location and the safety of players when practicing and competing. Mr. Gower will contact Palco. His final comment was informing the board of the windows for the elementary end arriving. Sisson will install the windows, working after school is dismissed and into the early night.

Lynette Ehm left the meeting at 9:17 p.m.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:** None.

**NCKSEC REPORT:**  Shane DeBoer reported on the recent meeting. Items discussed included approval of contracts and resignations.

**ADJOURNMENT:**With no further business, President Gottstine adjourned the meeting at 9:26 p.m.

**MINUTES APPROVED:**

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

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