MINUTES

UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT #326 – LOGAN

MONDAY, March 7, 2024

Logan Unified School District #326 Board of Education, met in regular session 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; Christine Delimont, member; Ryan Grammon, member; Wade Brumbaugh, member; Shane DeBoer, member and Brandi Archer, member.

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

Other Interested Persons: Brien Stockman and Mike Erhart.

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

**CONSENT AGENDA:** Mr. Gower asked to have items C) Insurance – Property and Casualty, and D) Legislative Update. Shane DeBoer moved to approve the consent agenda including additional items; minutes of the February 12, 2024, regular meeting; purchase orders, warrants and agenda as presented. Ryan Grammon seconded the motion. Motion carried 7-0.

**COMMUNITY PRESENTATIONS:** Mike Erhart reported on the LIFE Center Project progress. He informed the board the switch gear for gymnasium lights had arrived and new windows have been received. He presented a key system authorization form to be signed by individual(s) for administration of key access. His next item was a Purchasing Agent Appointment form to use school tax exemption for purchase of playground equipment. Jim Ashmore moved to table the signing of the Purchasing Agent Appointment form until the board had more time to review and consider this authorization. Wade Brumbaugh seconded the motion. Motion carried 4-3.

Brien Stockman reported outside signage is the next big item being worked on and needing approval with several FFE meetings coming up in the next few weeks. A lengthy discussion ensued regarding communication with the school board.

Brien Stockman and Mike Erhart left the meeting at 9:00 p.m.

**PRINCIPAL’S REPORT:** Mr. Kirkendall presented contracts for Kim Ellenberger as Speed bus driver and Lucas Burmeister as golf coach for the 2023-2024 school year. Wade Brumbaugh moved and Brandi Archer seconded a motion to approve the contracts as presented. Motion carried 7-0

He next presented the following resignations from Dani Hartung as JH head volleyball coach; Karlee Van Laeys as concession stand manager and HS assistant volleyball coach and Kelly Hendryx as middle school instructor at the end of the 2023-2024 school year. Shane DeBoer moved to accept all resignations. Jim Ashmore seconded the motion. Motion carried 7-0.

Mr. Kirkendall’s final item updated the board on the facility improvements. He included bids for the replacement of double doors in the shop area from Norton Glass in the amount of $16,711.00 and State Glass of $9,775.00. Chris Delimont moved to accept the State Glass bid of $9,775.00 to replace and install new doors in the shop area. Jim Ashmore seconded the motion. Motion carried 7-0. Mr. Kirkendall also informed the board about a meeting he had with Nex-Tech in regards to phones in the new building. His final comment was informing the board he completed the paperwork for a grant to the local community foundation to assist with the HVAC system for the high school.

**SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT:** Mr. Gower informed the board of the latest meeting in regards to the Cooperative Agreement with Palco. He recommended the board hold off on any decision making until after Palco holds a meeting with their patrons on March 26, 2024.

He next updated the board on the appreciation meal. The board chose April 27, 2024, with a choice of chicken fried steak or chicken fried chicken being the choice of entrees. The board clerk will finalize details with the Rustic Roots Café.

Mr. Gower next informed the board of the annual cost of insuring the facility. He explained the policy change for deductible on property for wind or hail would now be 1 percent of the value of the property. He informed the board of the cost of a buydown policy available to help cover the deductible.

Mr. Gower’s last item was the legislative bill that passed changing school funding based on current enrollment instead of averaging past three years.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:** At 9:47 p.m., Jim Ashmore moved to go into executive session for 10 minutes to discuss an individual employee’s performance pursuant to non-elected personnel exception under KOMA, and requested the open meeting to resume in the board room at 9:57 p.m. Shane DeBoer seconded. Motion carried 7-0.

Mr. Gower was invited to attend the session.

The board reconvened at 9:57 p.m. At 9:58 p.m., Jim Ashmore moved to go into executive session for an additional 5 minutes to discuss an individual employee’s performance pursuant to non-elected personnel exception under KOMA, and requested the open meeting to resume in the board room at 10:03 p.m. Shane DeBoer seconded. Motion carried 7-0.

Mr. Gower was invited to attend the session.

The board reconvened at 10:03 p.m. At 10:04 p.m., Jim Ashmore moved to go into executive session for an additional 5 minutes to discuss an individual employee’s performance pursuant to non-elected personnel exception under KOMA, and requested the open meeting to resume in the board room at 10:09 p.m. Shane DeBoer seconded. Motion carried 7-0.

Mr. Gower was invited to attend the session.

The board reconvened at 10:09 p.m. with no action taken.

**NCKSEC REPORT:** Shane DeBoer informed the board of the recent meeting he had attended. He reported the need for School Psychologists next year and a few other personnel items. They also discussed the remodeling of the new building.

**ADJOURNMENT:**With no further business, President Gottstine adjourned the meeting at 10:16 p.m.

**MINUTES APPROVED:**

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

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