



Board of Directors

Minutes

Supers Scheduled to Attend Board Meeting

Steve Wiseman, Regular

David Grove, Alternate

Date: March 12, 2008

Location: Keystone Business Office, 1220 Walnut Street, Oskaloosa

Time: 7:00 p.m. Call Meeting to Order

At 7:03 p.m., Todd Gigstad, Board President called the meeting to order:
Members present: Todd Gigstad, Dave Jolly, Dan Evans, Jenny Morgison, Gary Willits, and Bill Perry.

Not present: LaVerne Clark.

Others present: Linda Aldridge, Executive Director; Terri Coughlin, JDLA Principal; Robin Courtney, Media Paraeducator; Marty McDowell, Oskaloosa Paraeducator, Marlene Jolly Paraeducator; Jeanette Souther, Special Education Coordinator; Audrey Odermann, Lowenthal Singleton & Webb & Wison; Auditor (leaving at 7:50 p.m.); Sharon Laverentz, JWIS Teacher and Rhonda Denning, Special Education Coordinator; Paul Crawford (arriving at 8:08 p.m. and leaving at 8:35 p.m.) and Sharon Branson, SETA Representative (arriving at 9:05 p.m.).

Monthly Action Items

1. Approval of Agenda

Evans made a motion to approve the agenda with the addition of Action Item- New Business - #4 Kan Ed Grant. Jolly seconded and the motion carried 6-0.

2. Approval of Minutes

Jolly made a motion to approve the minutes of the February meeting as mailed to members. Perry seconded and the motion carried 6-0.

3. Approval of Bill & Claims

Evans made a motion to approve the Bills and Claims as presented. Morgison seconded and the motion carried 6-0.

4. Approval of Personnel Update

Jeanette reviewed the list of contracts and resignations.

Discussion took place regarding Kansas Education Employment Board (KEEB) and recruiting efforts for the 08-09 school year. It is possible that a Special Board Meeting will be held April 2, 2008 to approve teacher contracts being offered for the 08-09 school year.

Perry made a motion to approve the Personnel Update as presented. Jolly seconded and the motion carried 6-0.

Monthly Communications

1. Receive Communications from Visitors Present

There were no communications from visitors present.

2. Receive General Communications

There were no general communications.

3. Receive Treasurer's Report

Copies of the March Treasurer's Report were provided.

4. Receive Cash Summary Report

Linda reviewed the Cash Summary Report for March.

5. City of Lecompton Letter

Terri discussed the letter received from the City of Lecompton regarding donated trees to the Lecompton Keystone property. Terri shared with the committee that JDLA students will be digging the holes for the trees and will be responsible for watering the tree until the end of the school year.

6. Carl Perkins Letter

Carl Perkins is an agenda item and will be discussed at that time.

Action Items – Old Business

None

Action Items – New Business

1. Lowenthal Singleton & Webb & Wilson

Audrey Odermann of Lowenthal Singleton Webb & Wilson, partner in charge of this audit, presented and discussed audit findings pertaining to fiscal year 06-07.

Evans made a motion to approve the Interlocal 608 NEKESC Financial Statements for the Year Ended June 30, 2007 as presented. Morgison seconded and the motion carried 6-0.

Odermann left at 7:50 p.m.

Discussion Items – Old Business

1. Para Study Committee

Marty McDowell and Robin Courtney distributed the Paraprofessional Committee Proposal and presented recommendations designed to strengthen the role of paraeducators as they help students to learn.

Crawford arrived 8.08 p.m.

The Board is interested in reviewing a para compensation salary schedule.

Courtney left at 8:20 p.m.

McDowell left at 8:20 p.m.

M. Jolly left at 8:20 p.m.

2. JDLA Financing

Linda discussed the Fixed Enrollment Amount Worksheet scenarios. Linda shared with the committee that new Medicaid dollars are no longer available to subsidize the cost of this program, and there has been much discussion in the Superintendent Advisory Council regarding finance methods. Linda presented through financial scenarios for 08-09.

3. Senate Bill 646

Linda discussed efforts to influence the legislative process. Senate Bill 646 redistributes State special education funding in a manner that negatively impacts our districts.

4. Carl Perkins

Linda distributed the most recent Carl Perkins letter and discussed the audit results. KSDE completed its audit of fiscal years '04, '05, and '06. The State is requesting a reimbursement of \$114,000 expenditures of Carl Perkins funds, which were not allowable under this legislation.

Branson arrived at 9:05 p.m.

Action Items – New Business

2. Benefits Committee

Linda shared with the Board that the Benefits Committee determined that if the BC/BS premium increases 20%, the Benefits Committee will meet to review other health providers. It was also determined that there will be many advantages to having an October 1 start date for health insurance. Linda presented a plan to shift Keystone start date from September 1 to October 1.

Jolly made a motion to change the BC/BS start date to October 1, having Keystone pay the additional premium in September and having employees reimburse Keystone on a reimbursement schedule as presented. Perry seconded and the motion carried 6-0.

3. Division of Operations and Facilities

Paul Crawford introduced himself and shared with the committee his expertise and ideas on developing a Keystone Operations and Facilities Division. Discussion took place regarding contract and billing issues. Larry Mears will be developing a contract for Paul and it will be brought to the Board in April for approval.

No action was taken.

Crawford left at 8:35 p.m.

4. Kan ED Grant

Linda shared with the committee that she would like Keystone to provide Interactive Distance Learning (IDL) for specialized classes through a Kan Ed Grant.

Evans made a motion to proceed in writing a Kan Ed Grant in the approximate amount of \$30,000. Jolly seconded and the motion carried 6-0.

Discussion Items – New Business

1. 08-09 Assessments to District

Linda discussed the 2008-2009 Special Education Budget Projection worksheet scenarios and preliminary data regarding the 08-09 assessments for special education services.

Executive Session

At 9:30 p.m., Perry made a motion to go into Executive Session in the conference room for 30 minutes to discuss personnel matters of non-elected personnel, reconvening in this room at 10:00 p.m. The Executive Session included Linda Aldridge and Jeanette Souther. Jolly seconded and the motion carried 6-0.

Souther left Executive Session at 9:43 p.m.

At 10:00 p.m., open session resumed and Perry made a motion to go into Executive Session in the conference room for 5 minutes to continue discussing personnel matters of non-elected personnel, reconvening in this room at 10:05 p.m. Jolly seconded and the motion carried 6-0.

At 10:05 p.m., open session resumed and Perry made a motion to go into Executive Session in the conference room for 5 minutes to continue discussing personnel matters of non-elected personnel, reconvening in this room at 10:10 p.m. Jolly seconded and the motion carried 6-0.

At 10:10 p.m., open session resumed.

Action Items – New Business

Evans read the final resolution for non-renewal of contract for Angela Rosebrough for the 2008-2009 school year. Evans moved to adopt the resolution as read. Perry seconded and the motion carried 6-0.

Perry made a motion to extend Linda Aldridge's contract one additional year continuing it through 2009-2010 school year. Morgison seconded and the motion carried 6-0.

Jolly made a motion to extend Rhonda Denning and Jeanette Souther's contracts to a two year agreement continuing through the 2008-2009 and 2009-2010 school year; and extending Shelia Smith's contract an additional year continuing through school year 2009-2010 with financial awards discussed at a later date. Willits seconded and the motion carried 6-0.

Adjournment

At 10:20 p.m. Perry made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Morgison seconded and the motion carried 6-0.

Todd Gigstad
Board President

Krystal Porter
Clerk of the Board