

Board of Directors



Minutes

Supers Scheduled to Attend Board Meeting

Denise Jennings, Regular

Steve Wiseman, Alternate

DATE: December 21st, 2011

Location: Keystone Learning Services, 500 E. Sunflower Blvd., Ozawkie, KS

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

At 7:07 p.m., Board President Jon Henry called the meeting to order. Members present: Jenny Morgison, Shannon McMahon, Cindy Ladd, Sharon Sweeney, Ron Langston and Ed Courtney.

Others present: Tim Marshall, Executive Director; Rhonda Denning, Special Education Director; Susan Beeson, Assistant Special Education Director; Linda Kilgore, Clerk of the Board. Others in attendance: Superintendent Denise Jennings, and Dennis Sharkey, Valley Falls Vindicator.

Monthly Action Items

1. Approval of Agenda

ACTION:

Jenny Morgison made a motion to approve the agenda as presented. Cindy Ladd seconded and motion carried 7-0.

Monthly Consent Agenda Items

Any Board member may request that any item be removed from this consent agenda to the regular agenda for action to be taken separately.

1. Approval of Minutes of Last Meeting
2. Approval of Bills & Claims
3. Approval of Cash Summary Report
4. Approval of Monthly Fund Transfers
5. Approval of Check Registers

ACTION:

Ron Langston made a motion to approve the Monthly Consent Agenda Items as presented. Sharon Sweeney seconded and motion carried 7-0.

The board discussed the possibility of board packets being mailed out to members earlier. Discussion occurred on board handouts being emailed electronically every month, instead. This item will be brought back to the board in January.

Monthly Communications**1. Receive Communications from Visitors Present**

Infinitec recently recognized one of our special education students at JCN as an outstanding technology user. Infinitec is a consortium that Kansas and our local districts belong to which provides staff development, training, and software to assist students with disabilities. Tim shared a video with the board showing this amazing young man receiving his award.

2. Receive General Communications

None

Action Items**1. Executive Director Evaluation**

Tim explained the modifications that were made on his yearly evaluation. The board plans to give the evaluation in February.

ACTION:

Ed Courtney made a motion to approve the proposed changes to the executive director evaluation as presented. Cindy Ladd seconded and motion carried 7-0.

Discussion Items**1. Board Goals Questionnaire**

Tim prepared a survey to send to Keystone staff and district administrators regarding the goals approved by the Keystone board. Tim and the board discussed the survey. The survey will be given in mid-January to Keystone staff and district administrators.

2. Interlocal Agreement

Tim reviewed the interlocal agreement. The key points to the agreement are: 1) local assessments are determined by a formula of 50% on the previous year's

enrollment and 50% on special education services provided, and 2) districts provide materials, supplies, and equipment for their students which would be considered Tier 1 instruction (instruction given to all students). That would include textbooks and other classroom materials. Keystone provides materials, supplies and equipment which would be an individual need based on the IEP. The board was encouraged to bring any specific needs or concerns to Keystone staff.

3. December Count and Case Loads

Rhonda reviewed the preliminary December count for special education students and explained district caseloads. Rhonda explained that the ‘bump up’ list is done annually in February, which gives Keystone administration and superintendents an idea of what to prepare for in the following year.

4. Legislative and Budget Update

The Governor’s office released some specifics about his proposed education funding plan. Tim reviewed it briefly with the board. He also explained SB111 and it’s implications for special education funding and gave an update on Keystone’s special education (01) budget.

5. Update on Easton

Tim visited with Chuck Coblentz about the possibility of Easton joining our special education interlocal. Tim reviewed the information with the board. At this point, it seems unlikely that Easton will be joining our consortium because of the way their current agreement is written.

Rhonda left at 8:21 p.m. and returned at 8:30 p.m.

Ed Courtney left at 8:25 p.m. and returned at 8:27 p.m.

6. IDL Update

Tim updated the board on the status of the Interactive Distance Learning consortium.

ACTION ITEMS

- 1. Personnel Update--** Contracts and Resignations
Approval of the December 2011 Personnel Report

ACTION:

Ron Langston made a motion to approve the December personnel update as presented. Sharon Sweeney seconded and motion carried 7-0.

Adjournment

At 8:36 p.m., Ron Langston made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Sharon Sweeney seconded and motion carried 7-0.

Jon Henry
President

Linda Kilgore
Clerk of the Board