

Board of Directors Meeting Minutes



Superintendent Scheduled to Attend Board Meeting

JB Elliott, Regular

Denise Jennings, Alternate

Date: October 18th, 2017

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

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

At 7:00 p.m., Board President Ron Langston called the meeting to order. Members present: Megan Milner, Rita Oatney, Scott Gibson and Sharon Sweeney. Members not present: Barb Chapman, Gene Barrett and Dean Wolfe.

Others present: Andy Ewing, Executive Director/Special Education Director; Mary Livingston and Nathanael Norman, Special Education Assistant Directors; Linda Chalker, Clerk of the Board; JB Elliott, USD #343 Superintendent; Heather Pedersen, Keystone Teacher of the Visually Impaired; Jeri Fischer, Keystone Special Ed Resource Room Teacher; Hana Dreiling, Keystone School Psychologist.

Monthly Action Items

1. Approval of Agenda & Consent Agenda Items

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

ACTION

Scott Gibson made a motion to approve the Agenda & Consent Agenda Items as presented. Sharon Sweeney seconded and motion passed 5-0.

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

None

2. Receive General Communications

None

Discussion Items

- 1. Student Profile**—Heather Pedersen and Jeri Fischer gave a presentation on the Visually Impaired program and the services they provide to students.

At 7:12 p.m., Heather and Jeri left the meeting.

- 2. School Psychologist Presentation**—Hana Dreiling, Keystone School Psychologist, provided an overview of the special education evaluation process.

At 7:28 p.m., Hana left the meeting.

- 3. Director's Update**—Andy updated board members on the Maintenance of Effort (MOE) authenticated application window that is now open until December. Andy explained that the Keystone gym roof replacement will begin the last week of October, weather permitting. Andy shared that administrator visits to districts are continuing, and that he has been visiting with local district's building administrators to review special ed numbers within each district. Andy explained that the USD 341 board is agreeable to Keystone using their modular building in Oskaloosa at no charge except to pay for utilities. There will be no students housed there. There is a new State Professional Development Grant (SPDG) targeting mental health needs that Keystone will soon submit a proposal for.

- 4. Personnel**—Mary and Nathanael reviewed current staffing needs and vacancies, explaining that Keystone is still hiring for open para positions. Keystone is recruiting to fill 10 para positions.

Action Items

1. Personnel Update—Contracts and Resignations

ACTION

Sharon Sweeney made a motion to approve the October personnel update as presented. Scott Gibson seconded and motion passed 5-0.

Miscellaneous Items from Board Members

None

Adjournment

At 7:40 p.m., the meeting was adjourned.

Ron Langston
President

Linda Chalker
Clerk of the Board