
JOHNSON COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 0050
JOHNSON COUNTY CENTRAL PUBLIC SCHOOLS
BOARD OF EDUCATION
REGULAR MEETING
March 11, 2020
6:30 P.M.

Members Present: Arlin Beethe, Justin Beethe, Teresa Goracke, Gail Hutt, Becky Plager, Kim Wellensiek

Also Present: Dr. Galen Boldt, Superintendent; Rich Bacon, Middle School Principal; Rick Lester, High School Principal; Jon Rother, Elementary Principal; Laurie Badertscher, Recording Secretary

Visitors: Three visitors were present

The Johnson County School District No. 0050 Board of Education met in regular session at 6:30 p.m. on Wednesday, March 11, 2020, in the Middle School Media Center Cook, NE. A current copy of the agenda was available for inspection in the office of the Superintendent prior to the meeting. The notice of meeting and agenda was posted at the three main school buildings as well as the Tecumseh and Cook Post Offices. President, Kim Wellensiek, called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. by announcing that the Open Meetings Act rules were posted.

A motion was made by Arlin Beethe and second by Goracke to approve the minutes from the February 12, 2020 regular meeting as presented. Roll call vote: Arlin Beethe-yes, Justin Beethe-yes, Goracke-yes, Hutt-yes, Plager-yes, Wellensiek-yes, Carried 6-0.

A motion was made by Justin Beethe and second by Hutt to approve the General Fund claims for payment in the amount of \$670,953.40 as presented. Roll call vote: Justin Beethe, Goracke-yes, Hutt-yes, Plager-yes, Wellensiek-yes, Arlin Beethe-yes, Carried 6-0.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

One patron was present to share thoughts on revenue sources.

BUILDING COMMITTEE REPORT

The Building Committee reported on their meeting with the administrators and Clark Enerson Architects to review programming data previously collected and discuss next steps. With the uncertain nature of school funding, a change in the projected timeline is recommended that eliminates any potential bond issue and shifts a priority to look at improving facilities in a phasing process.

CLARK ENERSON PARTNERS REPORT

Jeff Chadwick and Tim Ripp of Clark Enerson Partners shared data collected from HS and MS schedules to show how classrooms are currently used in regard to current enrollment and capacity. Their information suggested the potential for modifications to the Current HS building for consideration that would divide larger classrooms into smaller ones that would have potential for bringing in MS students. The next Building Committee meeting was set and the Board asked to submit their top 5 priorities regarding next steps complete with timelines.

A recess was declared at 8:07 p.m.

Meeting reconvened at 8:12 p.m.

PRINCIPAL REPORTS

Principals Bacon, Lester and Bacon provided information pertinent to their buildings.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Dr. Boldt provided information regarding teachers' intent to return information for the 2020-2021 school year. He also provided an update on maintenance issues as both sites. Dr. Boldt gave an update on things the district is doing to minimize the spread of the Coronavirus (COVID-19) and preventative measures that are in place. The district has been working very closely with the Southeast District Health Department.

A legislative update was provided. Dr. Boldt also provided information on staffing changes for the 2020-21 school year and potential savings that can be obtained as a result of attrition. Future dates were discussed. The NRCSA Spring Convention is scheduled for March 26-27 in Kearney.

OLD BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

A motion was made by Goracke and second by Plager to approve the Superintendent Contract for Jon Rother in the amount of \$130,000 and 245 days of service. Roll call vote: Goracke- yes, Hutt-yes, Plager-yes, Wellensiek-yes, Arlin Beethe-yes, Justin Beethe-yes. Carried 6-0.

A motion was made by Arlin Beethe and second by Gail Hutt to approve an Art teaching contract for Susan Sisco for the 2020-21 school year. Roll call vote: Hutt-yes, Plager-yes, Wellensiek-yes, Arlin Beethe-yes, Justin Beethe-yes, Goracke-yes. Carried 6-0.

A motion was made by Plager and second by Justin Beethe to recognize the Johnson County Central Public Schools Foundation, Inc. Roll call vote: Plager-yes, Wellensiek-yes, Arlin Beethe-yes, Justin Beethe-yes, Goracke-yes, Hutt-yes, Carried 6-0.

The next meeting will be Wednesday, April 8, 2020 in the High School computer lab in Tecumseh, Nebraska at 6:30 p.m.

A motion was made by Arlin Beethe and second by Justin Beethe to adjourn the meeting. Roll call vote: Wellensiek-yes, Arlin Beethe-yes, Justin Beethe-yes, Goracke-yes, Hutt-yes, Plager-yes, Carried 6-0.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:02 p.m.