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MINUTES
USD #325 BOARD OF EDUCATION
MONDAY, MARCH 8, 2021

The Board of Education of Unified School District #325 met in regular session Monday, March 8, 2021, at the Administration Building. Members present when the meeting was called to order were: Todd Kennedy, President; J.C. Sauer, Vice-President; Danielle Bohl, member; Shawn Hoover, member; Brock Johnson, member; and Patty Northup, member. Jed Keeten, member was absent.

Officials present: Michael Gower, Superintendent; Russ Bowman, Treasurer; and Angela Thompson, Clerk.

Other interested persons: Denis Miller, Auditor; Crystal Laurin, Elementary School Principal, Nathan Strasburg, Middle School Principal; and Todd Bowman, High School Principal.

CALL TO ORDER

Todd Kennedy, President, called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

APPROVAL OF
CONSENT AGENDA

J.C. Sauer moved the consent agenda including February 8, 2021 regular meeting minutes, treasurer's report, warrants, and items added to the agenda be approved as presented. Shawn Hoover seconded the motion. Motion carried 6-0.

COMMUNICATIONS

None

COMMUNITY PRESENTATIONS
BEFORE THE BOARD

None

NEW BUSINESS

2019-2020 USD #325
AUDIT REPORT

Denis Miller reviewed the 2019-2020 audit report submitted by Mapes and Miller.

J.C. Sauer moved the Board accept the audit as presented for 2019-2020. Patty Northup seconded the motion. Motion carried 6-0.

Denis Miller left the meeting following his report.

REPORT TO THE BOARD BY
THE SUPERINTENDENT

The Superintendent discussed High School Graduation attendance. While circumstances may change over the next two months, there are no anticipated attendance restrictions for Graduation at this time.

Mr. Gower shared a legislative update and concerns regarding House Bill 2119 that will take public school funding and give it to private schools.

Mr. Gower further discussed the Pacers traveling to Hutchinson to perform at State Basketball.

NEW BUSINESS (Continued)

TECHNOLOGY LEASE

Mr. Gower presented the details of the proposed 3-year technology lease with Apple Inc. in the amount of \$306,089.96. The lease will include new iPads for grades K through 12 and laptops for high school computer applications classes and as needed. Following discussion, Todd Kennedy moved the Board approve the technology lease with Apple Inc. in the amount of \$306,089.96. Brock Johnson seconded the motion. Motion carried 6-0.

MIDDLE SCHOOL HVAC

Mr. Gower presented two bids for replacement of twenty-one rooftop HVAC units at the Middle School. Following discussion, Shawn Hoover moved the Board approve the lower bid from J & L Plumbing in the amount of \$285,385.00 including \$9,885.00 in crane service from Doyle's Welding. Danielle Bohl seconded the motion. Motion carried 6-0.

DISTRICT GROUNDS
MOWING BID

The district mowing bid was received from Robinson Lawn in the amount of \$9,400.00 (estimated). Following discussion, Todd Kennedy moved the Board accept the bid from Robinson Lawn Care for the care of specified school properties as needed. J.C. Sauer seconded the motion. Motion carried 6-0.

NCKSEC INTERLOCAL
#636 REPORT

Mr. Gower reported on recent interlocal meeting activities.

PERSONNEL

Todd Kennedy moved the Board enter into executive session for a period of 10 minutes, until 6:56 p.m., for the purpose of discussing personnel matters of non-elected personnel, to protect the privacy interests of an identifiable individual(s). Mr. Gower and Mrs. Laurin were asked to be present. Shawn Hoover seconded the motion. Motion carried 6-0. Todd Kennedy left the meeting at 6:53 p.m.

The Board returned to regular session at 6:56 p.m.

J.C. Sauer moved the Board re-enter into executive session for a period of 5 minutes, until 7:02 p.m., for the same purpose as stated above. Mr. Gower and Mrs. Laurin were asked to remain. Brock Johnson seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

The Board returned to regular session at 7:02 p.m.

J.C. Sauer moved the Board re-enter into executive session for a period of 5 minutes, until 7:08 p.m., for the same purpose as stated above. Mr. Gower and Mrs. Laurin were asked to remain. Shawn Hoover seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

The Board returned to regular session at 7:08 p.m. No action taken

CONTRACT APPROVAL

Danielle Bohl moved the Board approve the following contract:

Houghton, Debra – Elementary Music Teacher effective 2021-2022 School Year

Patty Northup seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

SUPPLEMENTAL AGREEMENT
APPROVAL

Shawn Hoover moved the Board approve the following supplemental agreement:

Wickham, Gillian – High School Head Volleyball Coach effective 2021-2022 School Year

Danielle Bohl seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

NEGOTIATIONS

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OUT OF DISTRICT REQUESTS TO
ATTEND USD #325

Brock Johnson moved the requests to attend USD #325 for the 2021-2022 school year be approved as recommended. Shawn Hoover seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0. (A copy of this list is attached to, and becomes a part of, these official minutes.)

RESIGNATIONS

Danielle Bohl moved the Board accept the following resignations:

Seems, Chalina – Elementary School Teacher effective end of the 2020-2021 School Year

Suchsland, Danielle – HS Scholars Bowl Sponsor effective end of the 2020-2021 School Year

Shawn Hoover seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0

REQUEST FOR USE
OF SCHOOL FACILITIES

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ADJOURNMENT

With no further business, Vice-President Sauer adjourned the meeting at 7:10 p.m.

MINUTES APPROVED:

MINUTES RECORDED:

DATE: