

MINUTES FOR REGULAR USD251 BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING JANUARY 11, 2010

7:00 P.M.

NORTHERN HEIGHTS HIGH SCHOOL

Meeting called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Bill Leffler, President.

Members present: Jim Davis, Bill McClellan, Sally Anderson, Bill Leffler, Wayne Symmonds, Mike Hanks, Sarah Meenen, Mike Nulton, Superintendent, Cindy Jackson, Board Clerk.

Guests present: See attached sheet.

Sally Anderson (Wayne Symmonds) moved for approval of the consensus agenda with the addition of i listed below:

- a. Approval of consensus agenda with addition of i
- b. Approval of agenda
- c. Approval of minutes of December 9, 2009 regular meeting
- d. Approval of minutes of the January 6, 2010 special meeting
- e. Treasurers report as of 12/31/09
- f. Accept donations of books on 12/17/09 from Ruth Nelson, retired NHHS Librarian.
- g. Approval of the Section 125 Amendment to the Flexible Benefit Plan
- h. Approval of the following transfers: \$74,616.00 from General Fund to Special Ed (flow through), \$10,000.00 from General Fund to Vocational Education.
- h. 44380-44386 Bill Listing
44387-44393 Bill Listing
44394-44418 Teachers payroll
7873-7929 Direct Deposit
44419-44429 Bill Listing
44430-44468 Semi-monthly payroll
7930-7984 Direct Deposit
44469-44489 Bill Listing
- i. Early Out Request #1 -#4

President Bill Leffler asked for hearing of delegations. The following persons spoke before the Board: Marc Ballinger, Ann Birney, Joyce Thierer, Earl Lyddane, Kim Nettleton, Eric Wooderson, Joe Fehr, Tammy Patterson, Michelle Wooderson, June Millsap, Brian Sundberg, Audra Sundberg, Deborah Morrison, Jami Mott, Glen Coats, and Rick Bush.

Bill Leffler, President, thanked those who spoke and assured those in attendance that the Board has and will take their concerns into consideration and have read and reviewed the many emails that have been forwarded. The Board then discussed in length the issues regarding cost saving measures for the 2010-11 school year. The Board members presented ideas and suggestions and discussed them.

Wayne Symmonds (Sally Anderson) moved to review a plan for combining classes at Reading and Admire School, eliminating a principal and other cost savings measures as needed to reach the goal of meeting the budget and review a plan to consolidate Reading and Admire into one K-8 and other cost savings measures as needed to meet the budget.

Yeas 5
Nays 2 motion carried

Sarah Meenen stated that it is the Board's responsibility to review the plan and come up with the additional cost saving measures. The Board agreed and Wayne Symmonds and Sally Anderson agreed to work on the motion just passed and to present ideas to the Board at the next meeting.

Sally Anderson (Wayne Symmonds) moved to have a Special Board of Education work session with the agenda to discuss the motion made by Wayne Symmonds which is set out above and approved by the Board at 7:00 p.m. on Monday, January 25, 2010 at the Americus Board of Education Meeting Room. After discussion Sally Anderson (Wayne Symmonds) moved to amend the motion to change the time to 6:00 p.m. The vote on the amendment was:

Yeas 7
Nays 0 - amendment to original motion carried

The Board then voted on the original motion with a 6:00 p.m. start time.

Yeas 7
Nays 0 motion carried

The Clerk had nothing to report.

The President thanked Mr. Nulton and the District Office staff for all their time and work preparing documentation and answering questions and emails.

The Superintendent had nothing to report.

Wayne Symmonds (Jim Davis) moved to adopt the capital outlay mill resolution for 5 mills for 5 years for the 2010-11 school year (Resolution attached and incorporated herein).

Yeas 7
Nays 0 motion carried

Sarah Meenen (Bill McClellan) moved to change the mileage rate for employee use of their private vehicle for school use when a school vehicle is not available to the new State of Kansas rate of .50 a mile.

Yeas 7
Nays 0 motion carried

Mike Hanks (Jim Davis) moved to adjourn the meeting at 9:30 p.m.

Yeas 7
Nays 0 motion carried

Cindy Jackson, Board Clerk