

MINUTES FOR USD251 REGULAR BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING
OCTOBER 26, 2009
AMERICUS BOARD OFFICE, AMERICUS, KANSAS
8:00 P.M.

The Meeting was called to order at 8:00 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: Terry Heins and Karen Heins

Jim Davis (Mike Hanks) moved for approval of the agenda and consensus items listed below **with additions in bold:**

- a. Minutes of October 12, 2009 Regular Meeting
- b. Acceptance of notice of retirement at the end of the 2009-10 school year from Connie Douglas and Barabara Schmidt.
- c. Approval of resignation of Wendy Linsey as Americus Jr. High Cheer Sponsor for the remainder of the 2009-10 school year.
- d. Approval of supplemental contracts as follows: Mark Ballinger – NLC Asst. Jr. High Girls Basketball; Americus Jr. High: Angie Becker – Girls BB, Paige Fort – Asst. Girls Basketball; Brian Hadley – Boys Basketball, Nathan Troyer – Asst. Boys Basketball, Vickie Ross – remainder of Jr. High Cheerleading Sponsor for the 2009-10 school year
- e. Approval of donation of laminator, playground balls, jump ropes and computer programs for the 3rd and 4th grade from Reading School PTO.
- f. Approval to change location of the following Regular Board Meetings as published:
October 26, 2009 BOE meeting from Reading School to Americus BOE Office;
November 23, 2009 BOE meeting from Americus BOE Office to Reading Grade School.
- g. **43946-43979 SM payroll**
DD7470-7526 SM payroll
43980 unissued
43981-44017 bill listing
44018-44041 Teachers payroll
DD7527-7583 Teachers payroll
44042-44047 bill listing
44048-44073 bill listing
44074-44109 SM payroll
DD7584-7642 SM payroll

Yes: 7

Nays: 0 motion carried

There were no hearings of delegations

The Clerk reminded the Board of the changes in location of the November meetings as listed in the consent items.

The President had nothing to report.

The Superintendent cautioned the Board that they must be proactive in regard to the financial shortfalls that the Legislature is projecting for the remainder of this school year and more importantly the 2010-11 school year. In light of this information, he asked the Board to review the Futures Planning Committee report that was printed for them off the website and be ready to discuss it at the next Board Meeting. Mr. Hanks thought there were other “lists” that were not included in the power point. Mr. Nulton will copy any items he has and forward them to the Board for their review. Mr. Nulton reminded that Board that because of the reduction in funding from the State, the District had cut approximately \$40,000.00 during the 2008-09 budget, an additional \$200,000.00 from this year’s budget, and will be looking at possibly double that for next year. The Board questioned Mr. Nulton on what our options are in light of the funding shortfalls from the State. Mr. Nulton told the Board that our only real options in light of the gravity of the cuts were: closing a building, cutting staff and increasing class size.

He also reminded the Board that he, Mrs. Clopton and Mr. Poertner would be attending the Technology Conference later this week.

Wayne Symmonds (Hanks) moved for adjournment at 8:09 p.m.

Yeas: 7

Nays: 0 motion carried

Cindy Jackson, Board Clerk