

Minutes of the Meeting of the Board of Education, Unified School District No. 466,

704 S. College Street, Scott City, Kansas, Monday, October 9, 2023

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The Board of Education of Unified School District No. 466 met for public hearing on Monday, October 9, 2023, at 6:50 p.m. in the Administration Building Board Room, 704 S. College, Scott City, KS, with the following members present:

Julia Cheney, Stephen Kucharik, Scott Noll, Lynnette Robinson, and Andy Trout.

Others present were Jamie Rumford, Superintendent, Courtney McEachern, Shawn Roberts, Aaron Dirks, Stacy Rogers, Melissa Batterton and Suzanne Hess, Board Clerk.

President Andy Trout called the hearing to order at 6:50 p.m.

**Non-Resident Enrollment Policy Hearing**

Superintendent Rumford reviewed the non-resident enrollment policy proposal.

**Adjournment**

Scott Noll made a motion to adjourn the hearing. Stephen Kucharik seconded the motion and it passed unanimously. The hearing adjourned at 6:59 p.m.

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The Board of Education of Unified School District No. 466 met in regular session on Monday, October 9, 2023, at 7:00 p.m. in the Administration Building Board Room, 704 S. College, Scott City, KS, with the following members present:

Jon Berning, Julia Cheney, Stephen Kucharik, Scott Noll, Lynnette Robinson, and Andy Trout.

Others present were Jamie Rumford, Superintendent, Courtney McEachern, Dr. Shawn Roberts, Aaron Dirks, Matt Bayer, Dustin Hughes, Jana Irvin, Stacy Rogers, Melissa Batterton, and Suzanne Hess, Board Clerk.

President Andy Trout called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Motion to Adopt the Agenda**

Jon Berning made a motion to adopt the agenda. Scott Noll seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

**Comments from the Public**

Melissa Batterton read a prepared statement regarding the high school finals and attendance policy. Stacy Rogers read a prepared statement regarding free days at the high school.

## **Board Representative Reports**

No update for the High Plains Educational Cooperative meeting.

Julia Cheney shared information from the Northwest Technical meeting. The rat rod build is starting, reviewing apprenticeships with Haiti, and building tiny houses to sell.

## **Administrative Reports**

Dr. Shawn Roberts, Scott City Elementary School, informed the Board the teachers are reviewing all lessons to restructure and make better use of time while working through the new curriculum.

Jana Irvin, Scott City Middle School Principal, shared October is a busy month with activities. There was good discussion during in-service today on Amplify new curriculum.

Dustin Hughes, Scott City Middle School Assistant Principal/Activity Director discussed wrapping up fall sports and preparing for winter sports. We host GWAC cross country at Camp Christy this week.

*Jana Irvin leaves the meeting at 7:15 p.m.*

Matt Bayer, Scott City High School Principal, informed the Board it has been a rough couple of weeks and thank you to the community for their support. Katie Comley has been nominated for new teacher of the year award.

Aaron Dirks, Scott City High School Assistant Principal/Activity Director, shared wrapping up fall sports with regional golf in Wellington; hosted 4A regional tennis last Friday and qualified some teams. We host GWAC cross country at Camp Christy this week and then host GWAC Volleyball at the Events Center later this month.

Superintendent Rumford discussed the following with the Board:

- The overall student FTE has increased but it is subject to change after the KSDE audit.
- It appears that there is a leak in one of five wells of the underground loop for the geothermal system. Trane will attend next month's meeting to discuss the proposal for the HVAC system and options to repair or abandon the underground field.
- Millings could be added at the Scott City Events Center that would be more useful for events.
- The house across the street from the district office was demolished this week.
- KASB annual convention meeting is in November with 3 board members attending.
- The January 29<sup>th</sup> meeting will include a facility tour of the elementary school.
- October is Principal Appreciation Month.

*Cheryl Kucharik joined the meeting at 7:31 p.m.*

## **Treasurer's Report, Bills Payable and Bond Financials**

### **A. Bills Payable**

Lynnette Robinson made a motion to pay the bills as presented check numbers 70714 -70842; wire transfers 70071 – 70097 in the amount of \$947,779.22. Jon Berning seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

There were no transfers presented.

### **Consent Agenda**

Scott Noll made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda with a correction on the September 11, 2023 minutes to correctly state the adjournment of the budget hearing and in the open discussion add masks would not be implemented here. Jon Berning seconded the motion and it passed 6-0.

Consent Agenda Items approved were:

- A. Approval of Previous Minutes for September 11, 2023**
- B. Technology Surplus**

### **Consideration of Items Pulled from the Consent Agenda**

There were no items pulled.

### **Board Matters**

#### **A. Approval of Policy JBCC – Non-Resident Enrollment**

Scott Noll made a motion to approve the policy JBCC – Non-Resident Enrollment. Julia Cheney seconded the motion. The motion passed 4 – 2. Jon Berning and Stephen Kucharik voted nay.

#### **B. Discussion of Comments from the Public Procedure**

Superintendent Rumford reviewed a proposal to update the procedure for comments from the public. The board requested additional items added. The procedure will be reviewed again with additions in the November meeting.

#### **C. Approval of Building Site Councils**

Lynnette Robinson made a motion to approve the building site councils. Stephen Kucharik seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

*Courtney McEachern and Cheryl Kucharik leave meeting at 8:12 p.m.*

### **EXECUTIVE SESSION – Non-Elected Personnel**

Scott Noll made a motion that the Board go into executive session after a 10-minute break from 8:12 pm. – 8:22 p.m. to discuss matters relating to non-elected personnel, pursuant to the non-elected personnel exception under KOMA for fifteen (15) minutes with the open meeting to

resume in the board meeting room at 8:37 p.m. Superintendent Rumford, Matt Bayer, Aaron Dirks, Dustin Hughes and Dr. Shawn Roberts were included in the session. Jon Berning seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

The meeting resumed in open session at 8:37 p.m.

*Dr. Shawn Roberts leaves the meeting at 8:37 p.m.*

**Approve Resignations and Hires**

Julia Cheney made a motion to approve the resignations/hires as listed below. Scott Noll seconded the motion and it passed 6-0.

**Hires:**

Zach Dyer - Custodian  
Melissa Lethem - Custodian  
Faith Eikelberger - .5 MS Quiz Bowl  
Kylie Stoeklein - .5 MS Quiz Bowl

**Resignations:**

Armida Hernandez – Custodian  
Keegan Finch – HS Business Teacher

**Open Discussion by Board**

Matt Bayer will review the free days on Fridays. There was discussion on the attendance policy at the high school and it will remain as written. The policy will be reviewed after the 1<sup>st</sup> semester. Superintendent Rumford is working on feedback forms for staff and the district incorporating the strategic goals. New board room tables will be ready sometime this year. One of the district office staff will be on leave in November and December. There was discussion on usage of the parking lot at the middle school and in the alleyway by the school.

**Adjournment**

Jon Berning made a motion to adjourn. Stephen Kucharik seconded the motion and it passed unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 9:03 p.m.

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Board President

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Board Clerk