

Quinter Public Schools USD 293
Official Minutes of Regular Board Meeting
March 5, 2018

Call to Order:

President Aaron Betz called the Regular Board of Education meeting to order at 7:02 P.M. In attendance were, Robert Herl, Shane Mann, Tara Thornburg, Giovanni Caasi, Travis Hargitt and Kristal Werth. Also attending were Supt./Princ. Kari Kephart; Clerk Evone Waggoner; 43 teachers, students, parents, and community members.

Approval of Agenda:

Motion to approve the agenda as amended. Out of District was removed under new business. Mann/Herl (m/s/c 7-0)

Approval of Minutes:

Motion to approve the regular board of education meeting minutes of February 12, 2018 and the special board of education meeting minutes of February 22, 2018. Thornburg/Mann (m/s/c 7-0)

Approval of Bills:

Motion to approve bill checks #22685 thru 22721 including additional bills. Herl/Hargitt (m/s/c 7-0)

AD Report:

John Crist congratulated the Quinter girls' basketball team/coaches for qualifying for state and the boys' for how well they played at sub-state. He also complimented the fans for their turnout and behavior at the sub-state – sharing that he heard positive comments from several out of town spectators. Spring track numbers are: JH girls 14; JH boys 17; HS girls 16, HS boys 9. HS track numbers may change when the season actually starts.

OTA Report:

None

STUCO Report:

Kelli Getz reported on what STUCO has done this year, what is planned, and coming up.

Site Council Reports:

GS representative, Shane Mann, and HS representative, Tara Thornburg presented Site Council Reports.

PDC Reports:

None

NKESC Reports:

Aaron Betz presented the NKESC Report.

Transportation Report:

None

Grade School Building Report:

Mrs. Kephart is working on second round of teacher evaluations for first and second year teachers. Kindness Club had its first meeting - members left kind messages on the sidewalks at the GS with pennies face up inside hearts for the students to find in the morning. At GS faculty meetings the teachers have been reviewing reading instruction for: strengths, areas for improvement, norms, and needs. At the next GS faculty meeting teachers will work on setting two building goals for KESA; after that, they will look at math instruction for: strengths, areas for improvement, norms, and needs.

Junior-Senior School Building Report:

Mrs. Kephart reported that Brady Albin tied for 9th place at the regional Sunflower Spelling Bee and was the top finisher for Gove County. Senior class trip policy was reviewed. Mr. and Mrs. Countryman are currently attending the Kansas Can Symposium in Manhattan, Kansas. A large part of the conference focuses on Problem Based Learning and implementation of Individual Plans of Study.

All-School Building Report:

Mrs. Kephart reviewed projected enrollment numbers for 2018-2019. Mrs. Kephart is starting to plan for next year. Enrollment numbers in kindergarten are looking like only one class will be needed. Mrs. Kephart with Mr. Countryman are also looking at band/vocal and may recommend offering more classes or adding staff. It's possible USD 293 might need to add a position at the high school and/or grade school.

Old Business:

Mrs. Kephart did a presentation for JH sports practices covering why the topic was brought up by administration, concerns from parent, staff, community and coaches, and possible solutions that have been discussed. Patrons under public forum were given a chance to be heard. Mr. Betz asked the BOE members if they had any questions from the patrons who spoke and he asked the patrons who spoke if they had any additional questions for the board. After further BOE discussion on JH sports practices, it was tabled until the April meeting.

Information Report:

Board of Education took a 5-minute break.

Superintendent's Report:

Legislators have not released the most recent school finance study's results yet. State Math Assessments are all scheduled and Mrs. Kephart reviewed the assessment data from 2016 and 2017. Mrs. Kephart reminded the negotiations representatives of the annual negotiations training March 6th. Written notice of negotiation items must be to teachers' organization by March 31st. Board will need to finalize the letter tonight; if changes need to be made to the letter after the training, a special board meeting may be needed.

New Business:

Mrs. Kephart reviewed the current intruder active shooter plan that is part of the district's Crisis Intervention Plan. Nex-Tech has been contacted for a quote for security systems for the front doors of both schools so the doors can be locked while school is in session. Mrs. Kephart and city marshal Rodney Salyers will be attending a training on an active shooter civilian response, called ALICE (Alert, Lockdown, Inform, Counter, Evacuate). BOE reviewed and approved the Strategic Plan Goals.

Action Item:

Motion to approve the Strategic Plan Goals as presented. Herl/Caasi (m/s/c 7-0)

Executive Sessions:

Board of Education went into executive session at 10:21 PM.

Mr. President, I move to enter into executive session with Supt. Kari Kephart present to discuss a student issue pursuant to the exception relating to actions affecting a student under KOMA. The meeting will resume in the auditorium at 10:30 PM. Mann/Werth (m/s/c 7-0)

The Board of Education meeting returned to open session at 10:30 PM.

Executive Sessions:

Board of Education went into executive session at 10:32 PM.

Mr. President, I move to enter into executive session with Supt. Kari Kephart present to discuss a student issue pursuant to the exception relating to actions affecting a student under KOMA. The meeting will resume in the auditorium at 10:45 PM. Mann/Hargitt (m/s/c 7-0)

The Board of Education meeting returned to open session at 10:45 PM.

Executive Sessions:

Board of Education went into executive session at 10:46 PM.

Mr. President, I move to enter into executive session with Supt. Kari Kephart present to discuss certified nonrenewal pursuant to the non-elected personnel exception under KOMA. The meeting will resume in the auditorium at 10:56 PM. Werth/Thornburg (m/s/c 7-0)

The Board of Education meeting returned to open session at 10:56 PM.

Executive Sessions:

Board of Education went into executive session at 10:57 PM.

Mr. President, I move to enter into executive session with Supt. Kari Kephart present to discuss classified contracts pursuant to the non-elected personnel exception under KOMA. The meeting will resume in the auditorium at 11:05 PM. Herl/Caasi (m/s/c 7-0)

The Board of Education meeting returned to open session at 11:05 PM.

Action Item:

Motion to amend classified contracts using KASB recommendations on Sandii Ostmeyer and Doug Press. Herl/Mann (m/s/c 7-0)

Executive Sessions:

Board of Education went into executive session at 11:10 PM.

Mr. President, I move to enter into executive session with Supt. Kari Kephart present to discuss evaluation of employees pursuant to non-elected personnel exception under KOMA. The meeting will resume in the auditorium at 11:15 PM. Herl/Mann (m/s/c 7-0)

The Board of Education meeting returned to open session at 11:15 PM.

Executive Sessions:

Board of Education went into executive session at 11:17 PM.

Aaron Betz moved to enter into executive session with Supt. Kari Kephart present to discuss a student issue pursuant to the exception relating to actions affecting a student under KOMA. The meeting will resume in the auditorium at 11:23 PM. Betz/Mann (m/s/c 7-0)

The Board of Education meeting returned to open session at 11:23 PM.

Executive Sessions:

Board of Education went into executive session at 11:23 PM.

Mr. President, I move to enter into executive session with Supt. Kari Kephart present to discuss proposals for negotiation items pursuant to the exception for employer-employee negotiations under KOMA. The meeting will resume in the auditorium at 11:35 PM. Herl/Werth (m/s/c 7-0)

The Board of Education meeting returned to open session at 11:35 PM.

Action Item:

Motion to approve negotiations letter as presented. Herl/Hargitt (m/s/c 7-0)

Adjournment:

Aaron Betz adjourned the Board of Education meeting at 11:37 PM.

President:  _____

Date: 4/9/18

Clerk: Ernie Waggoner

Date: 4/10/18