

USD 316 BOARD OF EDUCATION

July 17, 2023

7:00 PM

**GOLDEN PLAINS MIDDLE/HIGH SCHOOL – FACS ROOM
335 SCHOOL STREET, REXFORD, KS**

The meeting was called to order by President Paul Bruggeman at 7:00 PM in the FACS Room of the Middle/High School with the Pledge of Allegiance. Present were Davis Rath, Jeremy Schiltz and Jay Todd. Jason Rogers entered meeting at 7:05 PM. Matt Cheney & Chad Focke were absent. Others present were Ashley Arnberger, Superintendent, Travis Smith, Administrative Assistant, Parker Christensen, Transportation Director, Nicole Schiltz, Clerk and Jan Juenemann, community member. Brandy Spresser, Principal/Daycare Director entered at 7:05 PM.

Motion by Todd, seconded by Schiltz to approve the agenda as amended to include approval of Classified Salary Schedule under new business.
(Motion carried 4-0).

Consent Items:

Motion by Schiltz, seconded by Rath to approve the consent calendar
(Motion carried 5-0)

Minutes of the June 19, 2023 regular meeting and special meeting June 28, 2023.

Treasurers' report, check #49146-49177, ACH #6275-6276, bank reconcilements, encumbrance report, cash summary and other financial reports

Activity Account Bank Reconciliation, Current Cash Balance Report & 22/23
School Year Cash Balance Report

Gift and Grants – KSDE Mental Health Intervention Team Grant

Appointments for Routine Personnel for 2023-2024 year
Appoint the following individuals:

Board Clerk – Nicole Schiltz

Treasurer of the Board – Traci Bruggeman

Freedom of Information Officer – Nicole Schiltz

Food Service Representative – Traci Bruggeman

School Attorney - KASB

Official Officer for All State & Federal Programs – Ashley Arnberger

Hearing Officer for Free & Reduced Price Meal Application Appeal – Ashley

Arnberger
District KPERS Representative – Nicole Schiltz
Homeless Liaison for USD 316 – Ashley Arnberger
Individuals in each building for reporting children truant, (K.S.A. 72-1113) –
Ashley Arnberger, ES/MS/HS; Brandy Spresser, ES; Travis Smith, MS/HS
Compliant coordinator for Federal Anti-Discrimination Laws including Title VI, title
VII, title IX and Section 504 (ADA) – Ashley Arnberger, Brandy Spresser
School Attendance Officer – Ashley Arnberger, Brandy Spresser
Establish Hearing Officer for Suspension and Expulsion Hearings – Ashley
Arnberger
NKEESC – Jay Todd
NWKTC – Paul Bruggeman

Resolutions for 2023-2024 year as presented 1-24 to 15-24.

REPORTS:

Transportation: Parker Christensen – see attached

Daycare – Brandy Spresser – Patterson Grant Update – extended deadline,
should know in August if awarded any grant money to complete backyard.

NWKTC – Paul Bruggeman- Workers Comp Increase. Elevator in Goodland
purchased by Scoular Grain, school looking to do possible Apprenticeship
program with them.

NWKEESC – Jay Todd- Reorganizational meeting, Negotiations Completed,
Surplus supplies in Monument trying to help Atwood Schools. Next meeting
invited several area State Representatives to attend.

Administrative Assistant – Travis Smith

1. All practices are completed for the summer. Coaches can work with one more than half of their starting lineup through the end of July if they wish. It cannot be mandatory.
2. Summer weights will run through the end of July.
3. Summer sports practices officially begin on Aug 14th.
4. A mandatory KSHSAA Athletic Director meeting will take place July 27th at 8:00 am at the Colby Event Center. They started these last year. Go over new policies and such.
5. The current hot topic is the Home School participation policy passed by the Kansas Legislature as part of their 2023-2024 funding bill. I will have a handout from the KSHSAA. I sat in on a webinar Thursday that went more in-depth about the policy. I will use the handout to present this topic to you. (See attached)
6. Von Lintel will be here the last week of July for the gym floor maintenance.

7. Currently, I have raised about \$5000 through our banner project. I still have a couple of businesses to contact.

Superintendent – Ashley Arnberger

District Office -

We moved the district office last Tuesday and are working to settle in. One of the biggest obstacles has been getting the phones set up. I appreciate the extra work that so many have put in to make this move possible.

ESSER III -

The ESSER III application has been updated to reflect actual expenditures in FY '23 and adjusted to allow use of all of our funds based upon the line items previously approved through the state board of education.

3rd Grade Split Unit -

CB Heating & Air Conditioning replaced the split unit in the 3rd grade classroom at the beginning of last week. With that, the only remaining older unit at the elementary school is the 1st grade classroom.

Big Gym Roof -

Roofmasters was in Rexford on Thursday, July 13 completing the seams on the gym. They also addressed a small leak on the northeast landing of the main building.

Rexford Phone System -

It is believed that there was a power surge or lightning strike that caused damage to the phone and intercom system in Rexford. Annette came into work at the beginning of July and there were no working phones. Nex-Tech has been out to get most phones working in the building, but not all phones are functioning and the paging/intercom system is not working at all. Nicole has filed a claim with our insurance company. Our deductible for this portion of our policy is \$5000. We received a quote for materials only based on the materials that have already been utilized as well as the items that will be needed to repair the system. The materials quote is over \$8000. This does not include labor which will be billed at \$130/hour. I have included a copy of the quote for your review.

Upstairs Furnace in Big Gym -

The blower motor on one of the furnaces that serves the upstairs classrooms and locker rooms in the big gym has quit working. This is one of the original furnaces. Because of its age, CB is unable to get a replacement blower motor. A new furnace will be compatible with the current AC unit that serves the upstairs classrooms. Without replacing this unit, we do not have heat or AC to the upstairs classrooms in the big gym.

Update on Summer Maintenance/Projects

Selden -

Completed

- Gas shut off valves on gym heaters
- Shampoo classroom carpets
- Paint restrooms
- Fix dumpsters in Selden & Rexford

- The dumpsters in Rexford were beyond repair. Loran fixed the Selden dumpsters with the materials we purchased.
 - We will be able to purchase 3 dumpsters from the City of Colby at the end of this month for \$300 each.
- Waxing tile floors

Rexford -

Completed

- Remove toilets for common's area floor update
- Old desks & junk hauled off
- Railing on ramp painted
- Wachendorfer Construction completed the project in the home ec room/special education room.
- Creative Coatings completed work on the common's area floor on Friday. Traffic could resume today.
- Replace toilet seals in common's area
- Repair warping in cafeteria floor after pipe has been repaired by American Boiler
 - Odie from American Boiler was out Tuesday, 6/13.
 - Bill has the floor patched.
 - Floor has been completed.
- Fix/repair south wall in nw classroom on 2nd floor (computer lab)
 - Bill removed the corkboard that had been covering that wall and sheet rocked it. Mrs. Spresser has been working on painting the classroom.

In Progress

- Continue with efforts to declutter buildings & grounds
- Paint floor of 1st floor (Schedule for late afternoon on July 21st)
- Buff & apply protectant to 2nd & 3rd hallway floors (Scheduled for July 28th)

OLD BUSINESS:

Motion by Todd, seconded by Schiltz to enter executive session to discuss negotiations pursuant to the exception for employer-employee negotiations under KOMA at 7:38 PM for 5 minutes with the Board of Education and Ashley Arnberger, Superintendent. (Motion carried 5-0)

Meeting resumed at 7:43 PM with no action taken.

Motion by Todd, seconded by Schiltz to enter executive session to discuss negotiations pursuant to the exception for employer-employee negotiations under KOMA at 7:44 PM for 5 minutes with the Board of Education and Ashley Arnberger, Superintendent. (Motion carried 5-0)

Meeting resumed at 7:49 PM with no action taken.

Board took a short break at 7:50 PM

Board resumed meeting at 8:00 PM

Motion by Todd, seconded by Schiltz to approve negotiations terms and conditions for 2023-2024 presented on tentative agreement signed by both the Golden Plains Teachers Association representatives and the USD 316 Board of Education negotiation team. (Motion carried 5-0)

Motion by Todd, seconded by Rogers to table board clerk/superintendent secretary salary until next meeting. (Motion carried 5-0)

NEW BUSINESS:

Motion by Rogers, seconded by Rath to approve the addendum to the Mapes & Miller, LLP engagement letter. (Motion carried 5-0)

Building Needs Assessment & State Assessment review. Ashley Arnberger, Superintendent presented a slide presentation and held discussion with the Board of Education.

Motion by Todd, seconded by Schiltz to approve the Little Paws Day Care, Classified Staff, Paraeducator, Class Sponsor, Teacher, Activities & Student Handbooks as presented. (Motion carried 5-0)

Motion by Rath, seconded by Todd to approve supplemental endorsements for ESL to Shanda Brown and Lori Truetken, for Welding to Darrel Dible, for Chemistry to Melinda Fleckenstein, and Family and Consumer Science to Robynn Wessel. (Motion carried 5-0)

Motion by Rogers, seconded by Rath to approve Lisa Stoll as the two day per week school nurse with additional hours as needed to fulfill the needs of the district for the 2023-2024 school year. (Motion carried 5-0)

Motion by Rogers, seconded by Schiltz to set the hearing date, place, and time for the USD 316 2023-2024 Revenue Neutral Tax Rate Hearing for September 18, 2023 in the Golden Plains Middle/High School FACS Room, 335 School St., Rexford, Kansas at 7:00 PM, followed by our regular BOE meeting. (Motion carried 5-0)

Motion by Schiltz, seconded by Rath to approve an hourly rate of \$15.25 for Kathryn Koerperich as the lead day care provider at Little Paws Day Care and an hourly rate of \$14.00 for Lindsey Johnson as a provider at Little Paws Day Care. (Motion carried 5-0)

Motion by Rogers, seconded by Rath to approve Procurement Plan for 2023-2024 school year as presented. (Motion carried 5-0)

Motion by Rath, seconded by Rogers to approve the bid from CB Heating and Air Conditioning for the replacement of a furnace unit in the big gym. (Motion carried 5-0)

Motion by Rath, seconded by Todd to approve Wendi Armbruster as the head cook at the middle/high school and place her on Scale C Step 15. (Motion carried 5-0)

Motion by Rath, seconded by Todd to approve Stephanie Spresser as 4th grade teacher for the 2023-2024 school year on an E-sub license. (Motion carried 5-0)

Staffing discussion continued need for 1-2 para educators at the elementary school, as well as kitchen subs.

Motion by Todd, seconded by Rogers to approve the classified salary schedule as presented for the 2022-2023 year with a 1% increase on the base. (Motion carried 5-0)

The next meeting is set for August 21st in the Golden Plains Middle/High School FACS room, 335 School Street, Rexford, Kansas at 7:00 PM.

There being no further business, motion by Rogers, seconded by Bruggeman to adjourn the meeting at 9:10 PM. (Motion carried 5-0).

President

Date

Clerk

Date