

## **USD 316 BOARD OF EDUCATION**

**December 18, 2023**

**7:14 PM**

**GOLDEN PLAINS HIGH SCHOOL FACS ROOM**

**335 SCHOOL ST, REXFORD, KS**

The meeting was called to order by President Paul Bruggeman with the Pledge of Allegiance at 7:14 pm in the FACS room of the Middle/High School. Present were Matt Cheney, Chad Focke, Davis Rath, Jason Rogers, Jeremy Schiltz and Chad Wark. Others present were Ashley Arnberger, Superintendent, Travis Smith, Administrative Assistant, Brandy Spreser, Principal, Parker Christensen, Transportation Director, Nicole Schiltz, Clerk, Tanner Black, Mindy Fleckenstein, Jan Juenemann, Lane Patmon & Siena Vargas.

Motion made by Focke, seconded by Schiltz to approve the agenda as presented (Motion carried 7-0)

**Audience with Visitors:** Night at the Lab participants, Tanner Black & Siena Vargas along with instructor, Mindy Fleckenstein presented to board about their experience at KU Medical Center.

### **Consent Items:**

Motion made by Schiltz, seconded by Rogers to approve the consent calendar. (Motion carried 7-0)

Minutes of the November 13, 2023 Board Meeting

Treasurers' report, check #49380-49433, ACH #6474-6534, Bank Reconcilements, Encumbrance report, Cash summary and other financial reports

Activity account bank reconciliation.

Gifts and grants – Midwest Energy (Daycare) \$850, Midwest Energy (4<sup>th</sup> Grade) \$315, Midwest Energy (Kindergarten) \$420, Dane G. Hansen (Daycare) \$1965 and Darrel Dible electric range for FACS

### **REPORTS:**

Transportation: Parker Christensen – see attached

Daycare: Brandy Spreser

- We have 2 openings for 5 and over
- We will be taking a new child in February
- Proposed regulations have yet to be passed

NWKTC: Paul Bruggeman

- Christmas Party meeting
- Diesel building addition should be completed in January
- Men's wrestling rated 6<sup>th</sup> in the Nation
- Plumbing program received some grants to purchase equipment
- Building project a 'She Shed'
- Eligible for the Aspen Prize to the Top 150 U.S. Community Colleges
- Interest in presentation to the board by the President of NWKTC
- Thanksgiving meal was given by patrons of the town for students

NKESC: Jeremy Schiltz – no report

Administrative Assistant : Travis Smith

- All League Football was announced two weeks ago. Will Bruggeman and Diego Perez were named first team all-league, while Josh Rath and Wyatt Amlong were named Honorable Mention.
- Will Bruggeman, Diego Perez and Josh Rath were named Honorable Mention All-State on Sports in Kansas. Will and Diego were named Honorable Mention All-State on the KSHSAA Covered.
- I was contacted by the KSHSAA about hosting a 1A Div 2 Sub State at the Event Center in Colby. They said it would not affect our ability of hosting anything next year. We are hosting it with the aide of the events center. I will be in contact with the event center over break to work out the details. I believe they are wanting to host there as a trial run for the State Tournament they are hosting this year.
- Regional Scholars Bowl will be held at Western Plains.
- We are looking to continue hosting a combined league volleyball tournament with the teams of the NWKL, but under a diffident name. KSHAA normally doesn't allow for a combined league tournament. If it is named something else it will be allowed.
- Winter Moratorium runs from Dec 24-28. No practices, gym access or weight room is allowed during that time!

Principal: Brandy Sprester

1. November 16, 2023: KELI Cohort in Dodge City. Types of teachers, why did you become a leader, effective instructional leaders, school family, who do you serve, stakeholders, communication, key jobs of a school leader
2. November 30, 2023: Holiday Fun Night-82% attendance
  - a. Santa, Mrs. Claus, Scavenger Hunt, Crafts, snack, photo booth
  - b. Thank you's have been sent out
3. December 6, 2023: Conservation Award Ceremony with the Sheridan County Conservation District
4. December 12, 2023: ES/MS/HS music program at Rexford

5. December 13, 2023: Attended Project Frontier information session at NKESC, NHS/STUCO came over for Fun Day
6. December 14, 2023: December Student of the Month: Jordan Pape
7. December 20, 2023: Teacher inservice 12:30-4:00-review data and plan for benchmark groups after January benchmark

Ashley Arnberger: Superintendent

### **Holiday Party**

You should have had an invitation to the Golden Plains Holiday Party on your binder. As a public notice - Members of the USD 316 Board of Education have been invited to the Golden Plains Holiday Party at the Colby Event Center. This will take place on Saturday, January 13, 2024. "NO official board action will take place."

### **Foundations of Boardmanship**

KASB will be offering a Foundations of Boardmanship training in Goodland on January 24th and also as an online series in February. A description of the training follows this report. Any board member interested in attending the Goodland training should let Nicole or Ashley know by the January board meeting. If any board member wishes to register for the online series, Nicole can provide you with your KASB+ login information. These training sessions are included in our yearly membership.

### **Heater in the north shop**

CB was able to do some additional cleaning and slight adjustments now have this heater operating properly.

### **KSDE School Nutrition Program Review @ MS/HS**

Members of KSDE's School Nutrition Program conducted a program review on November 28th. Thank you to Traci and Delores for all of their preparation and work to make certain that things are running smoothly.

### **Roofmasters Preventative Maintenance**

Crews from Roofmasters were out at the end of November to conduct annual preventative maintenance at both the Selden and Rexford buildings. I am working with Roofmasters to get an updated quote to replace the conductor heads and downspouts on the MS/HS building. I have also asked them to quote installing heat tape in the guttering at the elementary main entrance as well as updating to a commercial downspout for the downspout directly to the east of the main entrance.

### **Broken Window @ MS/HS**

The northwest cafeteria window was broken over the first weekend in December. It was noticed by cafeteria staff on December 4th. It was reported to the Thomas County Sheriff's Department as there were visible tire tracks and reports from students of what had occurred. There is no way to hold anyone accountable for this incident. Colby Glass has ordered replacement glass. It will cost approximately \$800 to replace.

### **K-12 Music Program & Art Show**

The K-12 Christmas Concert was held on Tuesday, December 12th. This is the second year that the music teachers have chosen to hold one Christmas concert. I think this

provides a wonderful opportunity to bring our entire school community together to showcase the talents of our students.

**Mr. Karnes - Northwest KMEA High School Outstanding Educator of the Year**

Congratulations to Mr. Michael Karnes on being recognized by his peers as the Northwest KMEA High School Outstanding Educator of the Year.

**Elementary Special Education Placement**

I have been notified by NKESC that we will have someone placed at our elementary school full time beginning in January. This placement will be in addition to the part-time placement we have had this first semester.

**Project Frontier**

Mrs. Spresser and I attended a meeting at NKESC regarding Project Frontier. NKESC received a grant from the US Department of Health and Human Services to address trauma in education. We will continue to track the development of this grant and determine how it might benefit our district.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

Information item: Continued discussion of Enrollment of Nonresident Students Policy time to consider testimony

Motion made by Schiltz, seconded by Rath to approve the following adjustments to the ESSER III plan for Option #3 presented. (Motion carried 7-0)

**NEW BUSINESS:**

Motion made by Schiltz, seconded by Rogers to adopt Resolution 18-24 and include the policy Enrollment of Nonresident Students JBCC as presented, with the two additional criteria to determine a student in good standing.  
(Motion carried 7-0)

Motion made by Focke, seconded by Rath to approve Myah Ritter as an out-of-district student. (Motion carried 7-0)

Motion made by Focke, seconded by Schiltz to enter into executive session to discuss confidential student information pursuant to the exception relating to actions adversely or favorably affecting a student under KOMA at 8:31 pm for 10 minutes with the Board, Ashley Arnberger, Superintendent & Travis Smith, Administrative Assistant. (Motion carried 7-0)

The meeting resumed at 8:41 pm and no action was taken

A short 3 minute break was taken

The meeting resumed at 8:44 pm

Motion made by Schiltz, seconded by Wark to extend administrative contracts for Mrs. Arnberger & Mrs. Brandy Sprester for the 2024-2025 and 2025-2026 school years, and Mr. Smith for the 2024-2025 school year. (Motion carried 7-0)

Motion made by Rogers, seconded by Focke to approve the KASB policy updates as presented. (Motion carried 7-0)

Motion made by Focke, seconded by Cheney to allow our district to participate in the Strategic Superintendent Legislative Education Campaign at the discretion of the superintendent. (Motion carried 7-0)

Motion made by Schiltz, seconded by Cheney to authorize Ashley Arnberger, Superintendent, and Nicole Schiltz, board clerk, to sign the Rawlins County Neighborhood Revitalization Plan on behalf of USD 316. (Motion carried 7-0)

Motion made by Focke, seconded by Rath to approve the uniform rotation and allow administrative discretion on uniform purchases. (Motion carried 7-0)

Motion made by Focke, seconded by Schiltz to accept, with regret, the resignation of Melinda Fleckenstein effective at the end of the 2023-2024 school year. (Motion carried 6-1) Rogers abstained

Motion made by Schiltz, seconded by Cheney to enter into executive session to discuss non-elected personnel information pursuant to non-elected personnel exception under KOMA at 9:08 pm for 10 minutes with the Board & Ashley Arnberger, Superintendent . (Motion carried 7-0)

The meeting resumed at 9:18 pm and no action was taken

The next meeting is set for January 15, 2024 at 7:00 pm in the Golden Plains Middle/High School FACS room Rexford, Kansas.

There being no further business, motion made by Cheney, seconded by Focke to adjourn the meeting at 9:19 pm. (Motion carried 7-0)

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President

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Date

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Clerk

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