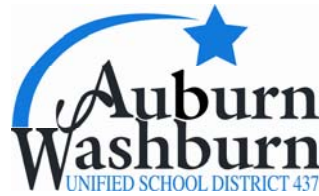


UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 437

Minutes of the Board of Education

May 21, 2007



The Board of Education of Auburn-Washburn Unified School District No. 437 held a Board Meeting Monday, May 21, 2007, at 6:30 p.m. at Shuler Education Center with the following persons present: Joyce Martin, Board President; Bill Sneed, Board Vice President; Board Members Steve Cavanaugh; Christine Garrett; Dr. Jim Owen; Dr. Brenda Dietrich, Superintendent; Dr. Cheryl Allen, Associate Superintendent; Keith Love, Director of Business Services; Dr. Dennis Johnson, Director of Support Services; Dr. Ann Elliott, Director of Student Services; and Denise Taylor, Board Clerk. Board Members Darren Haddock and Shawn Tipping were absent.

Public Hearing on
Republication of
FY 2006-2007 Budget

Keith Love provided information on the republication of the FY 2006-2007 budget. There were no questions or discussion from the public.

Open Forum

No one to speak.

Agenda Approved

Bill Sneed made a motion the agenda be approved as revised. Seconded by Steve Cavanaugh. Carried 5-0.

Disposition of
Business By Consent

Bill Sneed made a motion the Board approve Business By Consent as follows:

3-A Approval of the minutes of May 7 and May 17, 2007.

3-B Approval of bills in the amount of \$2,609,904.74.

3-C^R Approval of the following classified resignations/retirements/terminations: The retirement of Jan Johnston; and the termination of Rosie Mendoza and Alicia Arnold.

3-D^R Approval of the following new classified employees: Jessica Baker; and the following summer employees: Molly Stutzman, Stacy Scott, Novica Lazarevski, Karla Love, Carol Wike, Addie Cole, Kim Biermann, Nicholas Johnson, Patrick Johnson, and Elizabeth Henley.

3-E Approval of the following certified resignations/retirements: the resignation of Alice Frost and Michele Love (0.5 FTE).

3-F^R Approval of the following new certified personnel: Elexia Kilgore, Marc Linton, Denise Moore, Sheila Stephens, and Katherine Tenbrink.

3-AA Building Permits
Seconded by Christine Garrett. Carried 5-0.

WRHS Student
Representative

4-A Colby Henning, WRHS Student Council Representative, updated the Board on year end activities at the high school. She also introduced the new STUCO representative for next year, Brandon Carney.

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| Health Insurance Rates | 4-B | Keith Love provided information to the Board about the rates for health insurance premiums and the changes in plan benefits beginning October 1, 2007. This information will be given to the Employee Benefits Committee who will then make a recommendation to the Board once the committee has researched the options. |
| WRHS Athletic Trainer | 4-C | Keith Love informed the Board that there will now be a cost for athletic trainer services provided by Kansas Orthopedics and Sports Medicine beginning in August 2007. The services in the past have been provided for free. The Board directed Mr. Love to determine the coverage needed and to ask for written quotes from all groups offering this service. This item will return for discussion at the next regularly scheduled Board of Education meeting. |
| Parents As Teachers Update | 4-D | Dr. Ann Elliott updated the Board about the Parent As Teachers waiting list for USD 437 as well as the resources to meet the increasing demands. |
| Special Education Enrollment Audit - December 1, 2006 | 4-E | Dr. Ann Elliott provided the Board with information from the December 1, 2006, Special Education Enrollment Audit. |
| Traffic Flow Study 61 st and Wanamaker | 5-A | Dr. Brenda Dietrich presented information to the Board about a proposal from Bartlett and West to conduct a traffic flow study during peak hours in and around the high school, middle school and Tallgrass. This item will be brought back for approval at the next regularly scheduled Board of Education meeting. |
| Barrage Performance at WRHS | 5-B | David Ohse, WRHS Orchestra Instructor, presented information to the Board about offering a workshop with professional string musicians to high school students in December 2007. The professional group is <u>Barrage</u> . There is no charge for the workshop, but Barrage recoups its costs by selling tickets to a performance that evening. This item will be brought back for approval at the next regularly scheduled Board of Education meeting. |
| WRHS 2007-2008 Student Handbook – First Read | 5-C | Dr. Brenda Dietrich provided the Board with a first read of the WRHS 2007-2008 Student Handbook. This item will be brought back for approval at the next regularly scheduled Board of Education meeting. |
| Tallgrass 2007-2008 Student Handbook – First Read | 5-D | Dr. Brenda Dietrich provided the Board with a first read of the Tallgrass 2007-2008 Student Handbook. This item will be brought back for approval at the next regularly scheduled Board of Education meeting. |
| WRAHS 2007-2008 Student Handbook – First Read | 5-E | Dr. Brenda Dietrich provided the Board with a first read of the WRAHS 2007-2008 Student Handbook. This will be brought back for approval at the next regularly scheduled Board of Education meeting. |

Fundraising Proposal – Debit 5-F Check Card		Keith Love presented information to the Board about a possible fundraising opportunity from Heritage Bank. The consensus of the Board was to not pursue this opportunity further.
Phonics Program Adoption First Read	5-G	Kim Rasmussen provided the Board with a first read of the K-2 Phonics Program. This item will be brought back for approval at the next regularly scheduled Board of Education meeting.
NSBA Resolution on the Reauthorization of NCLB	5-H	Dr. Brenda Dietrich provided information to the Board from KASB regarding a resolution supporting H.R. 648, the No Child Left Behind Improvements Act of 2007. The consensus of the Board was that more information is needed from KASB.
Approve Human Resources Director	6-A	Steve Cavanaugh made the motion the Board of Education approve Bruce Petersen as Director of Human Resources for USD 437. Seconded by Bill Sneed. Carried 5-0.
Approve Therapy Dog at Auburn Elementary	6-B	Steve Cavanaugh made the motion the Board of Education approve the use of a therapy dog at Auburn Elementary School for the 2007-2008 school year. Seconded by Christine Garrett. Carried 5-0.
Approve Waste Water Facility Plan	6-C	Bill Sneed made the motion the Board of Education approve the Wastewater Treatment Facility Plan as presented. Seconded by Christine Garrett. Carried 5-0.
Driver Education Curriculum Resources – Final Read	6-D	Christine Garrett made the motion the Board of Education approve the selected texts for Driver Education as presented. Seconded by Steve Cavanaugh. Carried 5-0.
Approve Bid for Buses	6-E	Bill Sneed made the motion the Board of Education accept the offer from Kansas Bus Connection to purchase the two used 71 passenger buses for a total of \$6,209; and, accept from Kansas Truck Equipment the bid price of \$285,560 for four 71 passenger buses; accept the bid price of \$96,290 for two 28 passenger buses; and, accept the trade-in offer of \$3,750 for one used 19 passenger bus; to be paid from previously approved Capital Outlay Funds. Seconded by Dr. Jim Owen. Carried 5-0.
Approve Bid for Painting	6-F	Steve Cavanaugh made the motion the Board of Education accept the bids from Zack Taylor Contracting, Inc., as follows: repaint the Middle School metal roofs for \$6,486; repaint the Auburn Elementary east canopy for \$6,864; and repaint the Auburn Elementary west canopy for \$2,780; to be paid from approved capital outlay funds. Seconded by Christine Garrett. Carried 4-0; 1 abstaining.
Approve Bid for Electrical Work	6-G	Bill Sneed made the motion the Board of Education accept the bid from DL Smith Construction, Inc., to perform the specified electrical work at the High School and Middle School for a total price of \$45,133 to be funded through the approved Technology Lease. Seconded by Steve Cavanaugh. Carried 5-0.

- Approve Bid for Concrete 6-H Dr. Jim Owen made the motion the Board accept the five bids from Ben Schreiner Construction as follows: curb construction at Indian Hills for \$4,121; construct freezer base at Auburn Elementary for \$1,787; construct sidewalk at Wanamaker Elementary for \$8,019; construct freezer base at Wanamaker Elementary for \$4,832; and replace apron at Shuler Education Center for \$17,154; to be paid from approved capital outlay and food service funds. Seconded by Christine Garrett. Carried 5-0.
- Approve Republished
2006-2007 Budget 6-I Christine Garrett made the motion the Board of Education approve the amended FY 2006-2007 budget as published in the *Topeka Capital Journal* on May 10, 2007. Seconded by Bill Sneed. Carried 5-0.
- End of Year Schedule 7-A Dr. Brenda Dietrich reminded the Board of the changes in the student and staff calendar for the last week of school per the Negotiated Agreement.
- Annual Report 7-B Martin Weishaar provided the Board with a copy of the Annual Report published last June. A similar publication with the same type of information is planned for this year.
- Executive Session Board President Joyce Martin made a motion the Board of Education go into executive session at 8:00 p.m. for fifteen (15) minutes for preliminary discussions relating to the acquisition of real property and matters relating to actions adversely or favorably affecting a person as a student, patient or resident of a public institution, except that any such person shall have the right to a public hearing if requested by that person. Seconded by Bill Sneed. Carried 5-0.
- Five Board Members, the Superintendent, the Associate Superintendent, the Director of Business Services, the Director of Support Services, and the Director of Student Services, entered the executive session.
- Regular Session Board President Joyce Martin declared the meeting back in regular session with five members present at 8:15 p.m.
- Steve Cavanaugh made the motion the Board of Education finalize the purchase of real property of approximately 51.37 acres located between 30th and 32nd Street on Urish Road for the purchase price of \$1,284,250 with projected date of closing of December 31, 2007, conditioned on the Board Attorney being comfortable the planned unit development will be modified for the intended use of the property. Seconded by Bill Sneed. Carried 5-0.
- Adjournment Bill Sneed made the motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:17 p.m. Seconded by Steve Cavanaugh. Carried 5-0.

Denise Taylor, Board Clerk