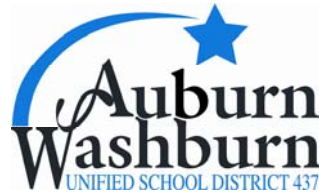


# UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 437



## Minutes of the Board of Education

January 22, 2008

The Board of Education of Auburn-Washburn Unified School District No. 437 held a Board Meeting Tuesday, January 22, 2008, at 6:30 p.m. at Shuler Education Center with the following persons present: Bill Sneed, Board President; Dr. Jim Owen, Board Vice President; Board Members Steve Cavanaugh; Christine Garrett; Dr. Bob Lohse; Shawn Tipping; Dr. Brenda Dietrich, Superintendent; Keith Love, Director of Business Services; Bruce Petersen, Director of Human Resources; Dr. Dennis Johnson, Director of Support Services; Dr. Ann Elliott, Director of Student Services; and Denise Taylor, Board Clerk. Board Member Darren Haddock and Associate Superintendent Steve Johnston were absent.

- Board Appreciation Month    Dr. Dietrich announced that January is Board Appreciation Month and thanked the Board of Education Members for their work in the District.
- Open Forum                      No one to speak.
- Agenda Approved                Shawn Tipping made a motion the agenda be approved as revised.  
Seconded by Dr. Jim Owen. Carried 6-0.
- Disposition of  
Business By Consent            Steve Cavanaugh made a motion the Board approve Business By Consent as follows:
- 3-A    Approval of the minutes of January 7, 2008.
  - 3-B    Approval of the bills in the amount of: \$1,749,932.58.
  - 3-C    Approval of the following resignations/retirements/terminations:  
the resignation of Nicole Droge, Cassie Gile, Judy McPherson, Joyce Klein; and the termination of Jackie Culbertson.
  - 3-D<sup>R</sup>    Approval of the following new classified employees: Holly Brooks, Gayla Harris, Randall Cummings, Olivia Best, Brooke Brownell, Stephanie Errebo-Hollinsworth, Shelly Howell, Sherri Enneking, Mary Burgess; and the transfer of Darlene Coelho.
  - 3-E    Approval of the following certified resignations/retirements: None to report at this time.
  - 3-F    Approval of the following new certified personnel: Megan Schuette for the 2008-2009 school year.
  - 3-AA    Building Permits  
Seconded by Dr. Bob Lohse. Carried 6-0.
- WRHS Student  
Representative                    4-A    Brandon Carney, WRHS Student Council Representative for 2007-2008, updated the Board on upcoming activities at the high school.

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| Update from Auburn Elementary Site Council  | 4-B | Mark Koepsel, Melissa Sanders, and Alan Meier, Auburn Elementary Site Council members, updated the Board on the goals and activities of the Site Council for the year.   |
| Update from Indian Hills Site Council   | 4-C | George Huckabee, Co-Chairperson of the Indian Hills Site Council, presented the goals and activities of the Site Council for the year to the Board. Lori Hutchinson was present from the Site Council.   |
| Construction Update   | 4-D | Dr. Dennis Johnson provided the Board with an update of ongoing activities related to the bond construction. Dr. Johnson also provided a list of carpeting to be replaced in the buildings this summer from the bond proceeds.   |
| Demographic Data Book 2007-2008   | 4-E | Dr. Dennis Johnson distributed the 2007-2008 Demographic Data Book to the Board.   |
| Kaw Area Technical School/ Washburn University Merger                                 | 4-F | Dr. Brenda Dietrich updated the Board on the Transition Plan for the merger of KATS with Washburn University that was approved by USD 501 and Washburn, then forwarded to the Kansas Board of Regents.   |
| Human Resources Considerations for New Hires  | 5-A | Bruce Petersen provided the Board with information about an incentive plan to offer discounts from local businesses that would help new teachers as they relocate and establish a household in our district. Other incentive programs for classified staff are also being considered.                      |
| Board Policy KM Revision Visitors to School (Smoking) First Read                      | 5-B | Dr. Brenda Dietrich provided the Board with a first read of Policy KM Revision, Visitors to the School (Tobacco Use). This item will be brought back for approval at the next regularly scheduled Board of Education meeting.  |
| Board Policy GAOC Revision – Use of Tobacco Products in District Buildings First Read | 5-C | Dr. Brenda Dietrich provided the Board with a first read of Policy GAOC Revision, Use of Tobacco Products on District Property. This item will be brought back for approval at the next regularly scheduled Board of Education meeting.  |
| Smoking Cessation Plan  | 5-D | Dr. Brenda Dietrich and Bruce Petersen informed the Board of possible programs that may offer tobacco cessation support for current district employees who might be affected by a new policy that prohibits use of tobacco on school property.   |
| Approve Investment of Bond Proceeds   | 6-A | Dr. Bob Lohse made the motion the Board of Education accept the bid from Core First Bank and Trust (26 basis points above MIP 1-89 day rate) for the first \$10,000,000 of bond proceeds and the remaining funds with MIP at the daily published rate. Seconded by Dr. Jim Owen. Carried 5-0; 1 abstained. |

- Approve Banking Services with Silver Lake State Bank 6-B Christine Garrett made the motion the Board of Education approve continuing banking services with Silver Lake Bank through June 30, 2009. Seconded by Dr. Jim Owen. Carried 6-0.
- BOE Policy GBK Suspension – Final Read 6-C Steve Cavanaugh made the motion the Board of Education approve policy GBK as presented and to eliminate policy GBK-R. Seconded by Christine Garrett. Carried 6-0.
- Approve Special Board Meeting on January 28, 2008 6-D Bill Sneed made the motion the Board of Education approve a Special Board Meeting on January 28, 2008, at 6:30 p.m. as noted on the attached agenda. Seconded by Christine Garrett. Carried 6-0.
- Approve Selection of Construction Manager at Risk Firms to Interview 6-E Shawn Tipping made the motion the Board of Education approve the following firms to interview on January 28<sup>th</sup>, to provide Construction Manager at Risk Services: BA Green Construction Company; Crossland Construction Company; Ferrell Construction; Murray and Sons Construction Company; and S.M. Wilson and Company. Seconded by Dr. Jim Owen. Carried 6-0.
- Calendar SY 2008-2009 Final Read 6-F Dr. Bob Lohse made the motion the Board of Education approve Option C as the calendar for SY 2008-2009, subject to Negotiations. Seconded by Steve Cavanaugh. Carried 6-0.
- Approve Bid for Baseball Restroom 6-G Steve Cavanaugh made the motion the Board of Education accept the base and two alternate bids totaling \$133,541 from Shirley Construction Company to construct the specified restroom and concession building to be funded from previously approved funds for this project and from unused previously approved funds from the projects listed. Seconded by Christine Garrett. Carried 6-0.
- Easement for Water Tower Water Line – Final Read 6-H Dr. Jim Owen made the motion the Board of Education approve the easement for the water tower water line as requested by Consolidated Rural Water District #3. Seconded by Steve Cavanaugh. Carried 6-0.
- Organizational Charts 7-A Martin Weishaar distributed the updated Organizational Charts to the Board.
- KSHSAA Board of Directors and Appeal Board Elections 7-B Dr. Brenda Dietrich informed the Board that Bill Sneed is currently the representative on the KSHSAA Appeal Board. His term expires this year. Mr. Sneed will submit his letter of interest for reelection to KSHSAA by February 15, 2008.
- Executive Session Board President Bill Sneed made a motion the Board of Education go into executive session at 7:30 p.m. for five (5) minutes for matters relating to employer-employee negotiations whether or not in consultation with the representative or representatives of the body or agency. Seconded by Dr. Jim Owen. Carried 6-0.

Six Board Members, the Superintendent, the Director of Business Services, the Director of Human Resources, the Director of Support Services, the Director of Student Services entered the executive session.

Regular Session

Board President Bill Sneed declared the meeting back in regular session with six members present at 7:35 p.m.

Adjournment

Steve Cavanaugh made the motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:35 p.m. Seconded by Dr. Bob Lohse. Carried 6-0.

Denise Taylor, Board Clerk