

INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT #775 SCHOOL BOARD MINUTES

Independent School District #775
KMS Public Schools
Monday, March 13, 2017

Regular Meeting
Board of Education
7:30 p.m. KMS HS Board Room

Members present: Harmon Wilts, Amber Doering, Philip Hauge, Pam Mansfield, Jeremy Winter, Tom Walsh, and Martin Heidelberg Members absent: Steve Collins

Also present: Ted Almen, Annette Fernholz, Jeff Keil, Sandy Baker, Inna Linder, Leanne Buettner, Candace Larson, Bella Quisberg, Ximena Gonzales.

Chairman Tom Walsh called the meeting called to order 7:30 pm. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Motion made by Harmon Wilts and seconded by Amber Doering to approve the March 13, 2017 school board meeting agenda with the addition of an FCCLA presentation and Choir request.

Public Comment. None.

Motion made by Jeremy Winter and seconded by Harmon Wilts to approve the minutes of the February 13, 2017 board meeting. Voting aye: unanimous, motion carried.

Motion made by Jeremy Winter and seconded by Pam Mansfield to approve payment of the bills.
Roll Call: Winter, Hauge, Doering, Mansfield, Wilts and Walsh. Voting aye: unanimous, motion carried.

Motion made by Amber Doering and seconded by Pam Mansfield to approve electronic payment of bills.
Voting aye: unanimous, motion carried.

Motion made by Harmon Wilts and seconded by Jeremy Winter to approve a donation from the Benson Hockey Association to the ClayBusters Target shooting league. Voting aye: Unanimous, motion carried.

Sandy Baker presented a sample itinerary and request to approve a choir trip in March 2018 for choir members to attend a trip to New York. Motion made by Amber Doering and seconded by Pam Mansfield to approve the choir trip. Voting aye: Unanimous, motion carried.

Board members moved to the FACS room to view a presentation by FCCLA students Candace Larson, Bella Quisberg and Ximena Gonzales. The students presented "Bundle up with FCCLA" coat drive and spoke of their project that has earned them a trip to the state competition.

Mr. Heidelberg led the Strategic Planning Committee report. Committee members had met with building principals and are working on a draft to bring forward in April.

Athletic Review committee members Pam Mansfield and Jeremy Winter led discussion from their meeting with spring sports coaches. Fencing needs to be completed around the ball fields, electrical lines need to be run to the areas and bathroom updates. Both softball and baseball are in excess of 40 players and requested a 4th paid coach. Members proposed coach numbers based on athlete numbers.

Motion made by Harmon Wilts and seconded by Amber Doering to provide a 4th coach for each softball and baseball based on athletic numbers less than 40=3 coaches, athletic numbers more than 40=4coaches with the 4th coach at the Junior High Salary scale. Voting aye: Unanimous, motion carried.

Motion made by Pam Mansfield and seconded by Jeremy Winter to appoint Dwayne Riley as the 4th paid softball coach. Motion made by Pam Mansfield and seconded by Amber Doering to appoint Matt Fragodt as the 4th paid baseball coach. Voting aye: Unanimous, motion carried.

Mr. Heidelberg, Pam Mansfield and Tom Walsh had met with Chris Ziemer of ICS regarding finishing project checklist items, potential redesign of the elementary music/computer lab area in Murdock as well as kitchen needs. As for the high school Freetly Electric has been working on geothermal system controls and heat pumps.

Mr Heidelberg reviewed the SWWC 2017-18 Cooperative Agreements and recommended to continue with the current contracts. Motion made by Harmon Wilts and seconded by Phil Hauge to approve the SWWC 2017-18 Cooperative agreements. Voting aye: Unanimous, motion carried.

Jeff Keil presented elementary happenings of the upcoming science fair, kindergarten registration, author illustrator, MCA testing and grants for Vista, Reading and Math Corps.

The board reviewed the March 1, PK-12 enrollment and staffing needs for the 2017-18 school year.

Mr. Heidelberg reviewed the Achievement and Integration FY2018 budget. Motion made by Jeremy Winter and seconded by Harmon Wilts to approve the AIFY18 budget. Mr. Heidelberg then reviewed the Achievement and Integration 2017-2020 3-year plan with goals and objectives. Motion made by Jeremy Winter and seconded by Pam Mansfield to approve the AI3year plan. Voting aye: Unanimous, motion carried.

Mr. Heidelberg and the board reviewed legislative updates, 2017-18 staffing with a posting for an elementary teacher as all classes will be 3 sections due to numbers. Speech schedule changes, City of Kerkhoven proposed improvements, HITA Insurance proposal bid openings and lawn mower equipment.

Jeremy Winter expressed concern with elementary kitchen ovens and meals served, space frustrations for groups using multipurpose and gym areas and the board looking into digital board books.

Amber Doering talked of summer needs for camps, workshops, science/art in the park and of Friday, March 17 Career Fair at the high school.

Harmon Wilts mentioned lack of EA attendance at board meetings, informed the board of FFA instructor Christa Williamson induction into the hall of fame and the desire to fix the Murdock lunch room.

Tom Walsh reiterated the Career Fair on Friday, CE Scheduling, open gym on Sundays, requests for weight room availability and FFA pancake breakfast meal prep arrangement.

Meeting adjourned by Chairman Walsh at 10:25 pm.