

Minutes of the Meeting of the Board of Education, Unified School District No. 466,

704 S. College Street, Scott City, Kansas, Monday, December 11, 2023

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The Board of Education of Unified School District No. 466 met for public hearing on Monday, December 11, 2023, at 8:00 p.m. in the Administration Building Board Room, 704 S. College, Scott City, KS, with the following members present:

Julia Cheney, Yanet Contreras, Stephen Kucharik, Scott Noll, Lynnette Robinson, and Andy Trout.

Others present were Jamie Rumford, Superintendent, Taylor Scheuerman, Shawn Roberts, Jana Irvin, Dustin Hughes, Aaron Dirks, Matt Bayer, Cheryl Kucharik, Mindi Edwards, Elizabeth Cox, Debbie Drohman, and Suzanne Hess, Board Clerk.

President Andy Trout called the meeting to order at 8:00 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Motion to Adopt the Agenda**

Scott Noll made a motion to adopt the agenda. Lynnette Robinson seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

**Comments from the Public**

No comments from the public.

**Board Representative Reports**

Andy Trout informed the board of High Plains Educational Cooperative Board current shortage of paraprofessionals across their cooperative. The coop has dissolved their self-funded health insurance program.


Julia Cheney shared information from the Northwest Technical meeting in which they are working on a welding program to put into any high school. There is an upcoming KS Senate Bill 102 for residency requirements of students in technical colleges which would impact Northwest Tech financially.

**Administrative Reports**

Dr. Shawn Roberts, Scott City Elementary School Principal, informed the Board of Reading Horizon's coach was on site and provided training. The school has received the translation devices to assist in working with non-English speaking students.

Jana Irvin, Scott City Middle School Principal, shared mid-term assessments are ongoing.

Dustin Hughes, Scott City Middle School Assistant Principal/Activity Director discussed wrestling finished up Monday as league runner-up.



Matt Bayer, Scott City High School Principal, informed the Board of finals are on Monday/ Tuesday and students will receive information if they are exempt or not from the finals.

Aaron Dirks, Scott City High School Assistant Principal/Activity Director, shared there has been a good start to winter season sports. The girls wrestling team attended a new tournament in Great Bend. Scholars' Bowl tournament on January 15, 2024.

Superintendent Rumford discussed the following with the Board:

- The geothermal field testing is set to begin on December 15<sup>th</sup>.
- Healy school board met last Monday to discuss dissolving and would like our district to consider receiving their kids.
- Strategic planning is underway. Mr. Rumford has received feedback from 45 surveys and will meet individually with those giving feedback.

### **Treasurer's Report, Bills Payable and Bond Financials**

#### **A. Bills Payable**

Scott Noll made a motion to pay the bills as presented check numbers 71015-71134; wire transfers 70117 - 70131 in the amount of \$500,668.87. Lynnette Robinson seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

There were no transfers presented.

### **Consent Agenda**

Julia Cheney made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda. Yanet Contreras seconded the motion and it passed 6-0.

Consent Agenda Items approved were:

#### **A. Approval of Previous Minutes for November 13, 2023**

### **Consideration of Items Pulled from the Consent Agenda**

There were no items pulled.

### **Board Matters (continued)**

#### **A. Policy Updates**

Superintendent Rumford reviewed proposed updates to the Board policies. The Board will review further in January.

#### **B. Insurance Broker RFP**

Superintendent Rumford shared the District office is reviewing options for an insurance broker.

#### **C. ESSDACK Interlocal Agreement Approval**

Julia Cheney made a motion to approve the ESSDACK Interlocal Agreement. Stephen Kucharik seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

*Taylor Scheuerman, Shawn Roberts, Jana Irvin, Dustin Hughes, Aaron Dirks, Matt Bayer, and Cheryl Kucharik leave meeting at 8:55 p.m.*

**EXECUTIVE SESSION – Non-Elected Personnel**

Lynnette Robinson made a motion that the Board go into executive session to discuss matters relating to non-elected personnel, pursuant to the non-elected personnel exception under KOMA for fifteen (15) minutes with the open meeting to resume in the board meeting room at 9:10 p.m. Superintendent Rumford was included in the session. Yanet Contreras seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

The meeting resumed in open session at 9:10 p.m.

**Approve Resignations and Hires**

Julia Cheney made a motion to approve the resignations/hires as listed below. Lynnette Robinson seconded the motion and it passed 6-0.

**Hires:** Karen Appel – SCHS Paraprofessional  
Melanie Aguilera & Valarie Whipple – Junior Class Sponsors  
Jordan Carter – 7<sup>th</sup> Grade Boys’ Basketball Head Coach  
Cody Briton – 7<sup>th</sup> Grade Boys’ Basketball Assistant Coach

**Resignations:** Icy Butler – SCES Secretary

Scott Noll made a motion to renew the 2-year contract for Jamie Rumford as USD 466 Superintendent beginning 2024-2025. Stephen Kucharik seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.


**Open Discussion by Board**

There will be a new board member orientation on December 18, 2023 in the BOE office for the 3 new board members. Scott Wagner requested facility usage for an upcoming wrestling competition, Ring of Destiny, on March 2, 2024. WKCAC and Compass are considering a mental health fair similar to one held in Cimarron recently.

**Adjournment**

Yanet Contreras made a motion to adjourn. Scott Noll seconded the motion and it passed unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 9:17 p.m.

  
Board President

  
Board Clerk