

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

704 S. College Street, Scott City, Kansas, Monday, December 9, 2024

The Board of Education of Unified School District No. 466 met in regular session on Monday, December 9, 2024, at 7:00 p.m. in the Administration Building, Board Room, 704 S. College, Scott City, KS, with the following members present:

Yanet Contreras, Julia Cheney, Elizabeth Cox, Debbie Drohman, Mindi Edwards, Scott Noll, and Andy Trout.

Others present were Jamie Rumford, Superintendent, Corbin Janssen, David Dirks, Katie Eisenhour, Nicole Martin, Courtney McEachern, Cheryl Kucharik, and Suzanne Hess, Board Clerk.

President Andy Trout called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Motion to Adopt the Agenda

Elizabeth Cox made a motion to adopt the agenda as presented. Debbie Drohman seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Comments from the Public

Katie Eisenhour announced she is retiring and introduced Nicole Martin as the new Economic Development Director.

Adam Kadavy joined the meeting 7:04 p.m.

Katie Eisenhour and Nicole Martin leave 7:07 p.m.

Board Representative Reports


Debbie Drohman reported on the High Plains Educational Cooperative meeting. They are considering an alternative graduation plan for students on IEP. Mr. Rumford explained the virtual school in Elkhart; HPEC's responsibility for all of the kids on IEPs in the virtual school district; and the impact on cost for all districts within the cooperative.

Julia Cheney reported on the meeting from Fort Hays Tech Northwest which is certified as one of the first education institutions to build the passive homes. FHNW is considering adding a lineman school.

Administrative Reports

Dr. Shawn Roberts, Scott City Elementary School Principal, shared they have a busy December with fun activities.

Corbin Janssen, Scott Community High School Assistant Principal/Activity Director, informed the board of the successful starts with winter sports so far. Finals are next week on Wednesday and Thursday for all students.



David Dirks, Information Technology Director, gave a report on the status of technology in the district.

Aaron Dirks joined at 7:19 p.m.

Aaron Dirks, Scott Community High School Principal, shared info on Market Day, December 16, 2024, and finals schedule next week.

Superintendent Rumford discussed the following with the Board:

- KASB conference in November attended by 4 board members
- Geothermal status of pre-filing with IRS under the IRA Act
- Receiving millings bids for the parking lot at the middle school
- Surplus of elementary furniture did not sell in the last surplus and will consider giving away
- Reviewed enrollment of all of KS students with Scott City is in the top 50 schools of schools which enroll 70% of all Kansas students.
- Board meeting on February 10 is all day.

Treasurer's Report, Bills Payable and Financials

An activity bus was purchased and is currently in the shop getting a check-up and looking for a truck for the maintenance department to help with snow removal.

Scott Noll made a motion to pay the bills as presented check numbers 72534 – 72607, wire transfers 70304 - 70314 in the amount of \$346,711.30. Yanet Contreras seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

Consent Agenda

Scott Noll made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda. Debbie Drohman seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Consent Agenda Items approved were:

- A. **Approval of Previous Minutes November 11, 2024**
- B. **Old Elementary Furniture Surplus**

Consideration of Items Pulled from the Consent Agenda

None pulled.

Board Matters

A. KASB Policy Review Update
Superintendent Rumford briefly reviewed the latest recommended board policy updates from KASB. These will be up for approval in January 2025 meeting.

Jana Irvin joined meeting at 7:54 p.m.

- B. **Approval of Attachment of USD 468 – Healy School District**

Julia Cheney made a motion to approve the attachment of USD 468, Healy School District, to USD 466, Scott County Schools. Debbie Drohman seconded the motion and it passed 7-0.

Dustin Hughes joined meeting at 7:58 p.m.

C. KSDE Audit Report

Superintendent Rumford reviewed the KSDE Audit report. The student number is similar to the FTE last year. The at-risk and transportation were down 20 FTE but this did not have a great impact on funding. The CTE numbers are being finalized. Our actual is \$125,000 less than what we budgeted. \$90,000 less in General fund and \$30,000 less in Local Option budget. The district will move our budget down to make that work.

Dustin Hughes, Scott City Middle School Assistant Principal/Activity Director, informed the board of wrestling tournament tonight and girls basketball plays tonight before the change over in other winter sports.

Jana Irvin, SCMS Principal, reported the MS is searching for an ESL paraprofessional. The students enjoyed the Reality U day.

Courtney McEachern, Cheryl Kucharik, David Dirks, Adam Kadavy left at 8:13 p.m.

EXECUTIVE SESSION – Non-Elected Personnel

Yanet Contreras 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 twenty-five (25) minutes following a 10 minute break with the open meeting to resume in the board meeting room at 8:48 p.m. Superintendent Rumford, Aaron Dirks, Corbin Janssen, Jana Irvin, Shawn Roberts and Dustin Hughes were included in the session. Julia Cheney seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Dustin Hughes, Shawn Roberts and Jana Irvin left at 8:18 p.m.

Corbin Janssen, Aaron Dirks left at 8:26 p.m.

Jamie Rumford exited executive session at 8:26 p.m.

The meeting resumed in open session at 8:48 p.m.

Approve Resignations and Hires

Yanet Contreras made a motion to approve the resignations/hires as listed below. Mindi Edwards seconded the motion and it passed 7-0.

Hires:
Shane Faurot – SCMS Track Asst
Matt Crist – SCMS 7th Head Basketball
Justin Faurot – SCHS Assistant Baseball

Resignations:
Angel Everett – SCMS ESL Paraprofessional
Brian Appel – Maintenance
Cody Brittan – SCMS Assistant Basketball
Jordan Carter – SCMS 7th Basketball

Scott Noll made a motion to approve Superintendent Rumford's contract for 2 more years. Debbie Drohman seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Open Discussion by Board

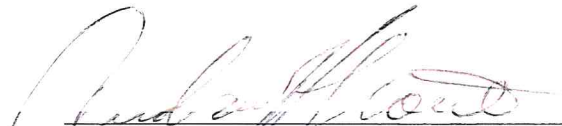
Discussion was held on student attendance in chronic absenteeism, Electronic hall pass.

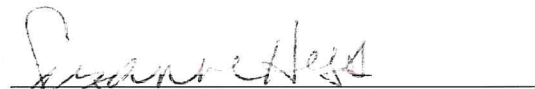
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Adjournment

Yanet Contreras made a motion to adjourn. Debbie Drohman seconded the motion and it carried unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 9:06 p.m.


Board President


Board Clerk