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Regular Meeting
 Board of Education
 Unified School District #211
 February 11, 2019
 7:30 P.M.

The regular meeting of the Board of Education USD 211, was called to order at 7:30pm at the Alice Tweed Center, 105 E. Waverly, Norton, Kansas, by Sean Kats, President. Seven members were present so a quorum was declared.

Call to Order
 Quorum

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Sean Kats, President
 Deena Wente, Vice-President
 Chris Harting
 April Karnopp
 Jennifer Miller
 Craig Renner
 Bill Jones

OTHERS PRESENT:

Phil Wilson – Superintendent
 Gina Riley – Clerk
 Corey Roy – Principal
 Dustin McEwen – Principal
 Rudy Perez – Principal(arrived at 7:31)
 Bill Johnson
 Lucas Melvin
 Gail Roy – NTA Rep
 Jamie Amlong

No items were removed from the consent agenda.

Motion by Chris Harting seconded by Deena Wente, to approve the consent agenda as presented. Motion carried 7-0. Approved in the consent agenda were the agenda for February 11, 2019, as presented; minutes for the regular meeting of January 14, 2019; minutes for the special meetings of February 5, 2019 and February 7, 2019; and monthly bills, transfers, and payroll. Bills and payroll approved for payment total:

Consent
 Agenda

	PAYROLL	BILLS
General Fund	\$ 343,634.52	\$ 46,334.07
Construction Fund		6,109.00
CTE	7,419.27	3,893.93
Capital Outlay		101,064.96
Food Service	17,847.19	23,625.99
Drivers Education		109.00
Title IV-A		1,500.00
Title I	8,607.21	333.31
Bond & Interest		150,553.21
Special Education	9,903.02	221,844.82
Recreation Commission		99,287.54
At-Risk	50,792.99	
Supplemental General	17,462.23	53,788.22
Butler Scholarship Fund		2,000.00
Della Connell Scholarship Fund		1,000.00
Title II-A	113.13	779.83

Tansill Trust Scholarship Fund	500.00
Dave Stuewe Scholarship Fund	500.00
Gifts & Grants	821.23
	\$ 455,779.56 \$ 714,045.11

April Karnopp commented that she had chaperoned at the Snowball Dance held the previous Saturday evening, and that she enjoyed the opportunity. The dance went well and it was a nice evening.

Comments from Public

Supt. Wilson informed the board that the teachers who have volunteered to become certified to teach drivers' education will not be able to get their certification in time to teach this summer due to no programs for certification being offered in Kansas at this time. The district would need to request the previous instructors to teach for this summer or it could not be offered. Other vacancies at this time that the district is looking to fill for next year are for a chemistry teacher, woods teacher, and ag teacher. Current classified staff needs include custodian, paraprofessionals, part-time cook, and bus driver. Supt Wilson also discussed school being dismissed two days last week, due to large numbers of influenza cases, and the KAYS Conference was still held since rescheduling the conference would have been difficult. The most illness had been concentrated at the elementary. With school also being dismissed due to icy conditions on Monday, administrators have been keeping close track of required hours. There is about one more extra day that can be dismissed before missed time will need to be made up. Lastly, he had a request for the 8th grade students' Washington DC trip to use a district bus for transportation to and from the airport as they have done in previous years.

Supt. Report

Motion by April Karnopp, seconded by Chris Harting, to allow the use of district bus transportation for taking the 8th grade students and sponsors to the airport for their Washington DC trip. Motion carried 7-0.

Approve Transportation

There was no curriculum presentation.

Curriculum Presentation

Supt. Wilson stated that he was contacted by an investigator regarding a Civil Rights complaint against the district filed with the Department of Education's Civil Rights Division concerning a student at the district. He was told the district would be contacted again if further investigation was deemed necessary. Mr. Wilson contacted KASB's legal department for advice and, since they have had previous experience with these types of cases, they could be contracted to help if further investigation is initiated by the Civil Rights Division. Motion by Chris Harting, seconded by Deena Wentz, to contract for the services of KASB attorneys if further investigation by the Civil Rights Division is initiated. Motion carried 7-0.

Civil Rights Complaint

Principal Roy provided the board with information about the summer school plans for this upcoming summer at Eisenhower Elementary. It will be scheduled in two week blocks after the end of the current school year and before the beginning of the next school year, using the same teachers as previous years. Approximately 60-70 students have participated in previous years.

Summer School

At the last meeting two board members were selected for negotiations for this year to meet with the teachers. Supt Wilson stated that one more board member would be ideal for the negotiations, and would need to be chosen now to plan for required training that needs to be completed beforehand. Bill Jones volunteered to join Chris Harting and Craig Renner on the negotiations team for this year.

Negotiations
Reps

Supt. Wilson reviewed the proposed academic calendar for the 2019-2020 school year. Chris Harting pointed out that although it was not part of this calendar approval, he disagrees with having sports practices twice a day after school is in session (before and after the school day). Motion by Deena Wentz, seconded by Sean Kats, to approve the 2019-2020 academic calendar for USD 211 as presented. Motion carried 7-0.

Approve
Calendar

Supt. Wilson informed the board about donations received by the district for specific projects to be completed. The first set of donations was for new glass backboards for the side goals at East Campus. Those donations were \$1000 from North Wheat Ridge LLC, \$1000 from F&F Iron, and \$2000 from Norton Recreation Commission. The second donation was for a metal sign to go on the exterior wall of the locker room at Travis Field for Track & Field and Cross Country Champions and Placing Teams. This donation was for \$2800 from Connie and Allan Miller. Supt Wilson asked the board to accept the donations for these projects.

Donations
Received

Motion by Craig Renner, seconded by Bill Jones, to accept the donations for the East Campus backboards and the Travis Field sign for Cross Country and Track. Motion carried 7-0.

Accept
Donations

April Karnopp reported the agenda for the upcoming NCKSEC meeting was short, and that one of the topics they will be discussing is the parents as teachers program. Deena Wentz gave a summary of the curriculum presented at the last committee meeting, and reported that state testing will be in March through April and the state funded ACT test for juniors is February 20. Due to scheduling conflicts there will be no meeting on Tuesday, February 12.

Board
Member
Reports

Principal McEwen gave a report as spokesperson of the meetings of the Student Drug Testing Committee with suggestions for possible modifications and/or clarifications to the Student Drug Testing Policy. Topics discussed included deadlines, forms, procedures, late opt-in opportunities, and consequences of violations. Motion by April Karnopp, seconded by Sean Kats, to have administrators work on a revised Student Drug Testing Policy taking into consideration the recommendations from the committee, with a draft to be presented for evaluation and additional discussion at the March meeting if it could be completed by then or, if not, no later than the April board meeting. Motion carried 7-0.

Student Drug
Testing
Committee
Report

Motion by Deena Wentz, seconded by Craig Renner, to go into executive session to discuss personnel job assignments pursuant to the non-elected personnel exception under KOMA and the open meeting will resume in the board room at 9:00pm. Motion carried 7-0. Supt. Wilson stayed in the executive session.

Executive
Session

Jamie Amlong left the meeting at 8:50pm.

The Board returned to open meeting at 9:00pm.

Open Meeting

Motion by Deena Wentz, seconded by Chris Harting, to accept the resignations of Megan Reed as Custodian, Kim Heaslet as Bus Driver, and Margi Nielsen as Asst. HS Volleyball coach, all effective immediately, and the resignation of Alan Neal as high school science teacher, effective at the end of the 18-19 school year. Motion carried 7-0.

Accept Resignations

Motion by Chris Harting, seconded by April Karnopp, to accept the retirement of Garrett Beydler as high school ag instructor and FFA advisor, effective at the end of the 18-19 school year, with appreciation for his 35 years of service to the district. Motion carried 7-0.

Accept Retirement

Motion by Deena Wentz, seconded by April Karnopp, to extend the contracts with Principal Corey Roy, Principal Dustin McEwen, and Technology Director Keith Hauser through the 2020-2021 school year, and to approve a two-year contract with Julie Schrum as High School Principal, beginning August 1, 2019. Motion carried 7-0.

Extend and Approve Contracts

Motion by April Karnopp, seconded by Deena Wentz, to approve the January 28, 2019 PDC meeting minutes and points. Motion carried 7-0.

Approve PDC Minutes

Motion by April Karnopp, seconded by Deena Wentz, to go into executive session to discuss a student matter pursuant to the exception relating to actions affecting a student under KOMA and the open meeting will resume in the board room at 9:15pm. Motion carried 7-0. Supt. Wilson stayed in the executive session.

Executive Session

Bill Johnson, Lucas Melvin, Gail Roy, and Principals Perez, McEwen and Roy left the meeting at 9:05pm.

The Board returned to open meeting at 9:15pm.

Open Meeting

Motion by April Karnopp, seconded by Deena Wentz, to go into executive session to discuss a student matter pursuant to the exception relating to actions affecting a student under KOMA and the open meeting will resume in the board room at 9:25pm. Motion carried 7-0. Supt. Wilson stayed in the executive session.

Executive Session

The Board returned to open meeting at 9:25pm.

Open Meeting

President Sean Kats adjourned the meeting at 9:26pm.

Adjourn

Gina Riley
Clerk of the Board