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Regular Meeting  
Board of Education  
Unified School District #211  
October 14, 2019  
7:30 PM

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

Call to Order

Quorum

**MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Sean Kats, President  
Deena Wentz, Vice-President  
Craig Renner  
Bill Jones  
April Karnopp  
Chris Harting – arrived at 7:32

**OTHERS PRESENT:**

Phil Wilson, Superintendent  
Gina Riley, Clerk  
Corey Roy, Principal  
Julie Schrum, Principal  
Jeremy Hawks, Curriculum Director  
Jason Jones, ELA Dept. Chair  
Kendra Lowry, JH Math Teacher  
Shelby Mann – NTA Rep  
Caroline Howsden – NTA Rep  
Donna Liddle – Norton Chamber  
Jamie Amlong - Patron

**MEMBERS ABSENT:**

Jennifer Miller

Motion by Craig Renner, seconded by Deena Wentz, to approve the consent agenda as presented. Motion carried 5-0. Items approved with the consent agenda were the agenda for the October 14, 2019 meeting, the minutes of the September 9, 2019 regular meeting and payment of bills. Expenditures approved for payment total:

Consent  
Agenda

|                          | PAYROLL<br>Sept & Oct | BILLS                |
|--------------------------|-----------------------|----------------------|
| General Fund             | \$ 739,686.77         | \$ 2,596.73          |
| Construction Fund        |                       | 401.71               |
| CTE                      | 13,730.44             | 13,145.82            |
| Capital Outlay           |                       | 70,747.81            |
| Food Service             | 39,859.86             | 24,393.43            |
| Title IV-A               | 689.60                | 55.47                |
| Title I                  | 19,061.34             | 4,108.80             |
| Special Education        | 20,459.21             | 482.44               |
| Recreation Commission    |                       | 9,195.83             |
| At-Risk                  | 113,479.75            |                      |
| Professional Development | 11.82                 | 965.14               |
| Supplemental General     | 49,551.67             | 52,487.80            |
| Title II-A               | 2,246.57              | 1,506.33             |
| Gifts & Grants           |                       | 907.67               |
|                          | <b>\$ 998,777.03</b>  | <b>\$ 180,994.98</b> |

Donna Liddle, Norton Area Chamber of Commerce Director, introduced herself and invited the board to use the chamber services and to work together to promote community involvement.

Comments  
from Public

Supt. Wilson gave an update on fall maintenance around the district as the weather gets cooler and buildings switch from air conditioning to heat. He informed the board that the district was named as host of high school regional cross country and will also be hosting the high school MCL league volleyball tournament this month. He stated that the staff inservice on October 7<sup>th</sup> went well and feels that it will be very beneficial to the district. He reported that the grab-and-go breakfast has been successful at the high school, with number of breakfasts served in September 2019 almost triple that of September 2018. He informed the board that he, Principal McEwen, and several teachers would be attending the KSDE conference at the end of this month. He also informed the board of the KASB conference coming up in December and asked the board if anyone was interested in attending. He told the board he was approached by a mobile GPS company interested in paying the school to place an antenna on one of the buildings for their system and would try to get more information before asking for approval from the board. He informed the board about the music teachers applying for a grant to purchase new risers to use for music programs and were awarded half the price from the community foundation. They would like the district to match the grant so the risers can be purchased.

Supt.  
Report

Jeremy Hawks asked the board to approve the curriculums for wellness and language arts that were presented at the September board meeting. He stated that there was an additional delay on the applied tech curriculum for additional corrections being made and hopes to have the curriculum to present at the November meeting. Motion by April Karnopp, seconded by Deena Wente to approve the revised curriculums for wellness and language arts that were presented at the September board meeting. Motion carried 6-0.

Approve  
Curriculum

Kendra Lowry explained the web based program called MobyMax she is using in addition to her regular classroom work and also gave an example of real life scenarios she is using in her classes to help the students see how they will use what they learn.

Curriculum  
Spotlight-  
Math

Kendra Lowry left the meeting at 7:57pm.

The board discussed options for the track repairs or improvement project. There is still uncertainty about the park project presented by Scott Sproul at the September meeting. The board asked Supt. Wilson to do additional research on options for expanding to an eight lane track.

Track  
Improvement

Jeremy Hawks and Jason Jones left the meeting at 8:17pm.

Motion by April Karnopp, seconded by Deena Wente, to approve purchasing risers for the music programs for \$5,730, which is half the cost, and the other half of the cost provided by the grant from the Community Foundation. Motion carried 6-0.

Approve  
purchase

Supt. Wilson asked the board to declare route bus #10 as surplus so it could be sold by bid or auction. Motion by Craig Renner, seconded by Chris Harting, to declare route bus #10 as surplus and to be sold. Motion carried 6-0.

Declare  
surplus bus

Deena gave an update of the last curriculum council meeting. Craig Renner reported on the last PDC meeting, with few updates.

Member  
Reports

Motion by Deena Wentz, seconded by Chris Harting, to go into executive session to discuss confidential student information pursuant to the exception relating to actions adversely or favorably affecting a student under KOMA, and that the Board return to the open meeting at 8:35pm in this room. Motion carried 6-0. Supt. Wilson, Principal Roy and Principal Schrum stayed in the executive session.

Executive Session

Jamie Amlong, Shelby Mann, Caroline Howsden, and Donna Liddle left the meeting at 8:28pm.

The board returned to open meeting at 8:35pm.

Open Meeting

Motion by Deena Wentz, seconded by Sean Kats, to go into executive session to discuss personnel actions pursuant to the non-elected personnel exception under KOMA, and that the Board return to the open meeting at 8:55pm in this room. Motion carried 6-0. Supt. Wilson, Principal Roy and Principal Schrum stayed in the executive session.

Executive Session

The board returned to open meeting at 8:55pm.

Open Meeting

Motion by Deena Wentz, seconded by April Karnopp, to go into executive session to discuss personnel actions pursuant to the non-elected personnel exception under KOMA, and that the Board return to the open meeting at 9:00pm in this room. Motion carried 6-0. Supt. Wilson, Principal Roy and Principal Schrum stayed in the executive session.

Executive Session

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

Open Meeting

Motion by April Karnopp, seconded by Sean Kats, to go into executive session to discuss personnel actions pursuant to the non-elected personnel exception under KOMA, and that the Board return to the open meeting at 9:07pm in this room. Motion carried 6-0. Supt. Wilson, Principal Roy and Principal Schrum stayed in the executive session.

Executive Session

The board returned to open meeting at 9:07pm.

Open Meeting

Motion by Deena Wentz, seconded by Chris Harting, to approve the termination of Ashle' Dole as EES Cook. Motion carried 6-0.

Approve Termination

Motion by April Karnopp, seconded by Chris Harting, to approve the hiring of Emily Rogers as assistant cook at Eisenhower Elementary; Ray Caldwell as part-time cook at Eisenhower Elementary; Melissa Granberry as Asst. JH Scholars Bowl; Clayton Cox as two-thirds time asst. JH boys basketball coach; and Cayla Cox as one-thirds time asst. JH boys basketball coach. Motion carried 6-0.

Approve Hires

Motion by Craig Renner, seconded by April Karnopp, to approve the September 23, 2019 PDC meeting minutes and points. Motion carried 6-0.

Approve PDC Minutes

President Kats adjourned the meeting at 9:12pm.

Adjourn