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Regular Meeting
Board of Education
Unified School District #211
May 11, 2020
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. The meeting was broadcast live at live.usd211.org for public viewing. Six members were present so a quorum was declared.

Call to Order
Quorum

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Sean Kats, President
Deena Wentz, Vice President
Jamie Amlong
Jennifer Miller
Craig Renner
Michael Terry

OTHERS PRESENT:

Phil Wilson - Superintendent
Gina Riley - Clerk
Corey Roy - Principal
Dustin McEwen - Principal
Julie Schrum - Principal

No items were removed from the consent agenda.

Motion by Deena Wentz, seconded by Jamie Amlong, to approve the consent agenda as presented. Motion carried 6-0. Approved in the consent agenda were agenda for May 11, 2020; the minutes for the regular meeting of April 13, 2020; and monthly bills, transfers, and payroll. Bills and payroll approved for payment total:

Consent
Agenda

	PAYROLL	BILLS
General Fund	\$ 347,207.32	\$ 1,963.75
CTE	6,864.99	235.59
Capital Outlay		27,541.55
Food Service	16,551.39	21,224.61
Title IV-A		5,369.39
Title I	9,183.10	
Special Education	8,812.29	129,190.00
At-Risk	52,696.61	
Professional Development		
Supplemental General	15,385.45	71,532.47
Title II-A		10,553.53
Gifts & Grants		371.90
	\$ 456,701.15	\$ 267,982.79

There were no comments from the public. A letter from the Norton County Health Department regarding graduation was held to be read during the discussion of that agenda item.

Comments
from Public

Supt. Wilson reported that the school year and the continuous learning plan is coming to a close, with students returning school property on May 15th. Teachers will finish up with a workday on May 18th. He commented that he was happy with how everything finished up, with staff handling the situation very well, and students and parents participating and accepting the new plan very well. He discussed some of the maintenance projects being started as we transition into the summer months. The lunch program has received the all clear to resume on May 12th, and will run through May 15th. The Methodist Church will start their summer meal service beginning June 1st. Lastly, he reviewed the Governor's opening plan for the state to be phased in through June 15th, if everything stays on plan. He reminded the board that school buildings remain closed through the end of May.

Supt. Report

Principal Roy shared his thoughts on summer school and confirmed that the first session that would have been held the first two weeks after school dismissed in May is cancelled. He anticipates having a larger session in August before school begins, with more time and staff being needed, to help those students that are struggling as a result of the decreased classroom time. He also stated that kindergarten and ECD screening has had to be postponed until July as well.

Summer
School Update

Principal McEwen reviewed the KSHSAA summer guidelines that have been developed for this year, explaining the phase-in plan for allowing conditioning and camps for student athletes. He also stated that he is working with the clinic to try to get a date for sports physicals to take place, as those requirements have not been waived by the state.

KSHSAA
Summer
Update

Supt. Wilson reviewed the plans for the track, stating that Hellas Construction will continue with tearing up the remaining asphalt, recompact and test the subsoil, and then reconstruct the track. He proposed that the board reconsider paying for the entire project from the Capital Outlay fund, rather than 50% from the Contingency fund and 50% from Capital Outlay. With state funding uncertain at this time, he would like to keep the Contingency fund available for paying other expenditures if funding decreases for the next fiscal year.

Track Update

Motion by Craig Renner, seconded by Michael Terry, to approve paying the Hellas Construction contract for \$380,600 all from Capital Outlay. Motion carried 6-0.

Approve Fund
Change

The board discussed changing the property, liability, and workers compensation insurance bids to a 3 year rotation, which would allow for renewing the insurance with the winning bidder for two additional years, so that bids would not have to be obtained every year. No action was taken at this time.

Discuss
Insurance Bids

Jennifer Miller gave an update of the most recent NCKSEC board meeting, stating that the coop had participated in the continuous learning plan and all employees continued to be paid during this time. They are looking for candidates for open positions for the fall. Deena Wentz stated that there was no curriculum meeting during the previous month. Craig Renner reported that the district held its final PDC meeting earlier today.

Board Reports

The letter from the Norton County Health Department was read that supported graduation being held on June 21st, as long as the state did not change the time-frame of the current phases of the re-opening plan of the Governor. Principal Schrum reviewed her current

Graduation
Discussion

plans for graduation, which under the current plan could be held at Stull Gym, or could be held at the football field to allow for people to spread out, if the restrictions from the state are extended. The preference at this time is to use the football field, with Stull Gym as a backup if necessary for the weather. Moving the ceremony to earlier in the day was discussed to avoid high heat, but that would conflict with church services on a Sunday. It was then discussed to move the date to Saturday, June 20th, at an earlier time in the day.

Graduation
Discussion
(cont.)

Motion by Jamie Amlong, seconded by Michael Terry, to set the graduation ceremony for June 20, 2020 at 10:00am, with the location to be determined. Motion carried 6-0.

Set
Graduation

Motion by Jamie Amlong, seconded by Deena Wentz, to approve the appointment of Abby Rice to the open Position 7 of the board of education. Motion carried 6-0.

Appoint Board
Member

Motion by Deena Wentz, seconded by Jamie Amlong, 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 8:50pm. Motion carried 6-0. Supt. Wilson and Principals Roy, McEwen and Schrum stayed in the executive session.

Executive
Session

The Board returned to open meeting at 8:50pm.

Open Meeting

Motion by Deena Wentz, seconded by Craig Renner, to accept the resignation of Karla Reed as Custodian, Carla Richards as Bus Driver, and Dorla Jones with appreciation of her 24 years of service as NJHS Secretary. Motion carried 6-0.

Accept
Resignations

Motion by Deena Wentz, seconded by Jennifer Miller, to approve the hiring of Kathy Richards and Tony Fiscus as summer maintenance help; Hadley Hauser, Tessa Hauser, and Lucas Melvin as summer technology help; Lucas Melvin and Jeremy Hawks as summer weight room attendants; Cheri Brooks as part time substitute summer weight room attendant; Retain all certified staff who have not resigned or retired by May 11, 2020; and approve the coaching and sponsor positions as presented. Motion carried 6-0.

Approve
Summer
Hires/Renew
Contracts &
Supplemental
Positions

Motion by Sean Kats, seconded by Deena Wentz, to approve the PDC points from the May 11, 2020 meeting. Motion carried 6-0.

Approve PDC

President Sean Kats adjourned the meeting at 8:54pm.

Adjourn

Gina Riley
Clerk of the Board