

USD 316 BOARD OF EDUCATION

November 16, 2020

7:00 PM

GOLDEN PLAINS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL & VIA ZOOM

210 W. 6TH STREET, SELDEN, KS 67757

Paul Bruggeman called the meeting to order at 7:01 pm. Present were Paul Bruggeman, Matt Cheney, Chad Focke, Jason Rogers. Via zoom Davis Rath, Jeremy Schiltz and Jay Todd. Others present were Charles Keller, Superintendent, via zoom. Present were Travis Smith, Administrative Assistant, Ed Weiner, teacher, Betty Hickert, Clerk, Parker Christensen, Transportation Director, Traci Bruggeman, freshman class sponsor, Jordon Fleckenstein, Emma Weimer, Mia Rogers and Ava Brantley, freshman class students. Others present via zoom, Stephanie Heier, CPA auditor, Ashley Arnberger, Lori Truetken, Dez Wark, Brandy Spresser, Tori Schwarz, Justine Tuttle, Judy Rogers and Don Koerperich.

Motion by Todd seconded by Focke, to approve the agenda as amended. Motion carried 7-0.

Motion by Focke seconded by Cheney, to approve the October 19, 2020 minutes as presented. Motion carried 7-0.

Jordan Fleckenstein, Emma Weiner, Mia Rogers and Ava Brantley representing the Freshman class and sponsor Traci Bruggeman presented the board information and a request to sell tumblers, snacks and coffee as a fund raiser to replace the bake sale they were unable to have earlier in the year.

Stephanie Heier, CPA with Mapes and Miller presented the annual CPA audit as of June 30, 2020 via zoom. She reviewed the audit and answered questions from the board.

Reports:

Transportation-Parker Christensen-see attached

Day Care-Brandy Spresser-see attached

NWKTC- Paul Bruggeman - no report

NWKEESC-Jay Todd – no report

Administrative Assistant-Travis Smith

1. Masks covering issues in Rexford - I sent you a letter Friday about the issues we have been having with the students in the Rexford building and not wearing masks.
2. We continue to be diligent in keeping the students healthy in Rexford by following the protocols put forth in our reopening plan.

3. We have our first home winter activities this coming week. It is reminded that everyone will be required to wear a mask in the building. Some leagues are stopping play on the court if fans are not following Covid protocols. If it is not being followed, I plan on doing the same.
4. The Scholar's Bowl team won our home meet a couple of weeks ago. Their meet at Cheylin was canceled due to Covid concerns. They will compete at Goodland this Thursday.
5. Mr. Weiner will be conducting the WKLL Scholarship Testing Competition for the Golden Plains students the first week of December. 4 students from each class are chosen by the teachers to participate in the contest.
6. The volleyball season ended with the girls earning Sub-State Runners Up.
7. All League and All State Volleyball has been announced:
 - First Team All-League Sr. Brooke Stoll and Jr. Kassie Miller
 - Second Team All - League Sr. Ashley Stoll and Jr. Carly Nieman
 - Honorable Mention Jr. Morgan Wark
8. Junior Kassie Miller was named Second Team All-State by the Kansas Volleyball Coaches Association.
9. The football team finished the season 6-3 (the extra win comes from the 1-0 forfeit from Western Plains), and by taking 3rd, winning the consolation game against Cunningham in the Wild West Bowl.
10. The K-Preps All - State Football team was announced:
 - Sr. Wade Rush was named First Team All-State Linebacker and First Team All-State Kicker.
 - Sr. Rojelio Loya was named Honorable Mention Linebacker and Kick Returner
 - Jr. Roberto Loya was named Honorable Mention Utility Player
 - Sr. Wade Rush was named Honorable Mention Running Back.
11. Brewster will decide this evening about how they will conduct the Sagebrush Tournament.
12. Emma Weimer, freshman placed 3rd at state cross-country

Superintendent-Charles Keller

The following is a summary of events in the month of November 2020

- We have had several cases of COVID in the Elementary and the Daycare center.
- For the most part we have been able to cover all classes with subs for both Para's and Teachers.
- Quarantines are continuing to keep both students and adults home for extended times.
- Students on remote for the most part have had very good productive experiences.
- I had to file truancy on two different students in the past couple of weeks. This makes a total of 6 students total that have qualified for truancy just this semester.
- Honeywell came out and got the boiler in Rexford up and running for the beginning of the cold weather. The system had to have a couple of full cycles done to get it back into correct cycling. In Selden Honeywell and Loren spent a couple of days getting the system running correctly. Loren has found several air bleeders for system that we were not aware of before. Now that the system has been up and running it is working the best it has ever since I started here.

- Loren had to replace one of the circulating pumps and one of the pump clutches. Luckily we ordered a new pump to have one on hand and I ordered a new one today to replace the back up one we just got.
- Loren was also able to rebuild the industrial bread mixer in the Elementary kitchen. Basically the gearbox needed to have new bearings and a drive shaft replaced.
- We have several hand sanitizer stations and the sanitizing backpacks and hand held wands fully in stock.
- Our financial audit went very well a couple of weeks ago primarily due to all the diligent work that Betty is and has done to organizing all the financials.
- COVID positivity rates in both Sheridan and Thomas Counties have hovered around 50 to 60 percent of the tests given. Hospitalizations and numbers of cases have skyrocketed in the past three to four weeks. We were told last Thursday afternoon that there are no hospital beds to be had throughout Kansas or neighboring states.
- I met with both Sheridan and Thomas counties health departments last Friday and they are extremely concerned about the rise in cases. There is a great concern that after our Thanksgiving break and Christmas breaks we will see another spike in cases.
- Several counties across the state have moved back into the basically phase 2 where they are limiting gatherings to no more than 10 people. Some of the schools that have come back to in person have already gone back to online classes. Basketball across the state is inconsistent. Some schools are going forward, and others have delayed the season.
- We had our Workers Compensation review a couple of weeks ago and even though our payroll is up from the previous year our rate is still falling. It has stayed consistently under a 1.0 for the past three years. This year we are down to .71 that is just about as good as it gets.
- We will have to republish our budget before the end of the fiscal year due to an increase in state aid. This will give us the budget authority to spend the extra money.

Site council-no report

CONSENT ITEMS:

Motion by Focke seconded by Rogers, to approve the consent items. Motion carried 7-0.

Gifts and Grants: Dane G. Hansen - \$2,200.00 for daycare; Midwest Energy - \$250.00 – 1st grade; Midwest Energy - \$390.00 – Daycare; Sheridan County Sparks funds - \$9,620.81; Sunflower Bank – ABC program - \$368.44

Treasurer's Report: check # 47284-47328; ACH #4260-4321

Encumbrances-as presented

High School Activity account bank rec/General Fund Bank rec.

ACTION ITEMS:

Motion by Focke seconded by Todd to approve the freshman class new fund raiser as presented. Motion carried 7-0

Motion by Focke seconded by Rogers to approve the out of district students as presented. Motion carried 7-0

Motion by Todd seconded by Focke to approve the participation in the Rawlins County Revitalization agreement as presented. Motion carried 7-0

Motion by Todd seconded by Rath to change the mask policy at the MS/HS as follows:

In an attempt to keep the students in an on-site learning environment, the USD 316 Golden Plains Board of Education is now requiring that masks be worn by all students and staff at the middle/high school building in Rexford. Masks must be worn in all instances where social distancing cannot occur. If the students do not comply with this new policy, the following consequences will occur: 1st Offense: Detention and call home to parents. 2nd Offense and beyond: in School Suspension and call to parents. Motion carried 7-0.

Motion by Focke seconded by Rogers to approve a Holiday Bonus for all staff in the amount of \$300.00 and will be paid December 10th with the monthly payroll. Funds will be taken from the Contingency Fund. Motion carried 7-0

Motion by Focke seconded by Bruggeman to approve the Food Service remote plan as presented. Motion carried 7-0

Motion by Focke seconded by Cheney to appoint Judy Rogers as representative to the Northwest Kansas Library System board. Motion carried 7-0

Motion by Focke seconded by Todd to approve the annual CPA audit as of June 30, 2020 as presented by Stephanie Heier, auditor. Motion carried 7-0

Motion by Focke seconded by Cheney, to enter in to executive session for non-elected personnel exception under KOMA at 9:06 pm for 30 minutes with the board and Betty Hickert, clerk. Motion carried 7-0.

The board returned at 9:36 and no motion was made.

Motion by Schiltz seconded by Rogers, to enter in to executive session for non-elected personnel exception under KOMA at 9:38 pm for 20 minutes with the board and Betty Hickert, clerk. Motion carried 7-0.

The board returned at 9:58 and made the following motions:

Motion by Todd seconded by Schiltz to approve the Resolution for Final Action of non-renewal of Administrator Contract. Motion carried 7-0. Board signed the resolution

Motion by Focke seconded by Cheney to approve that in the absence of a district administrator the board president can sign purchase orders as needed. Motion carried 7-0

Motion by Focke seconded by Rogers to amend the clerks contract to specify what days are required for the clerk to be present in the district office during holiday and spring break. Motion carried 7-0.

Motion by Focke seconded by Cheney, to enter in to executive session for non-elected personnel exception under KOMA at 10:22 pm for 30 minutes with the board, Mr. Keller, Superintendent and Betty Hickert, clerk. Motion carried 7-0.

The board returned at 10:53 pm and made the following motions:

Motion by Todd seconded by Focke to accept the resignation of Charles Keller, Superintendent effective November 30, 2020 as amended with recommendations from Donna Whiteman, KASB attorney Motion carried 7-0.

Schiltz exited the meeting.

Motion by Focke, seconded by Rogers to hire Rob Schiltz as Interim Superintendent starting December 1, 2020 through June 30, 2021. Motion carried 6-0.

Schiltz returned to the meeting.

Motion by Cheney, seconded by Rogers to adjourn at 11:00 pm. Motion carried 7-0.

Approved:

Date: _____

President

Date: _____

Clerk

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