

August Board Notes

The budget hearing was conducted at 5:45 p.m. for the 2011-2012 USD #498 district budget.

1. The Board of Education of Unified School District No. 498 met in regular session on August 8, 2011 at the Board office in Waterville. Board President Tim Manley called the meeting to order at 6:02 p.m.
2. It was moved by Kenny Steinfort and seconded by John Walsh to approve the agenda with additions to Item XI. of Acceptance of Board Member Resignation and Approve the Board Vacancy Resolution. The motion carried unanimously.
3. No one was present for Public Forum.
4. It was moved by Kenny Steinfort and seconded by David Vermetten to approve the Consent Agenda. The motion carried unanimously. Items on the Consent Agenda were as follows:
 - USD 498 Board of Education regular meeting minutes from July 11, 2011.
 - Bills Payable
 - Substitute Teachers for the 2011-2012 School Year as follows: Wanda Bean, Jan Bergkamp, Owen Brice, Leca Good, Carol Hood, Jill Hull, Kristel Mick, Chris Nelson, Sharon Osborne and Robert Stallbaumer.
 - Acceptance of Cash Donations from Guise-Weber Foundation in the amount of \$3,000 and \$500 from the Helvering Trust to the PAT program.
 - Supplemental Contract for Chris Nelson as mentor teacher for the 2011/2012 school year
 - Application for Reimbursement for Advanced Degree for Dawn Tryon
 - Declare designated monitors and computer equipment as surplus equipment
5. The Curriculum Corner was presented by Community Ed Director Ryan Bulson. Mr. Bulson gave a Valley Heights Summer Recreation and Camp Exploration update and also discussed the upcoming fall Community Ed activities.
6. Superintendent Bergkamp gave the financial report.
7. Principal Rhonda Trimble and Principal Don Potter gave a summer school update. Principal Trimble also updated the Board on the Early Childhood summer program. Principal Potter and Principal Trimble discussed the Kansas Common Core Standards and the transition timeline.
8. Superintendent John Bergkamp discussed the Whole Board training session and Goal Setting session that is scheduled for August 15th at 5:00 p.m. and invited the Board to the beginning of school staff development luncheon on August 23, 2011.

Superintendent Bergkamp also discussed the possible installation of age appropriate playground equipment at the preschool. It was the consensus of the Board to move forward and install age appropriate playground equipment at the preschool.

The Board was also invited to the Dan Palmateer Hall of Fame Induction and Benefit to be held on August 18, 2011.

9. It was moved by Kenny Steinfort and seconded by Joe O'Toole to approve the 2011-2012 USD #498 district budget with the total mill levy as 58.33 and General fund budget totaling \$3,068,698 and Supplemental General fund totaling \$1,046,173. The motion carried unanimously.

10. It was moved by David Vermetten and seconded by John Walsh to approve the following amendment to policy EE-R: Unpaid meal balances will be capped at \$50 per family. If an unpaid balance reaches \$50, a school meal will not be served until the balance is paid or falls below the \$50 maximum. The motion carried unanimously.

11. In Additions to the Agenda- Acceptance of Board Member Resignation - It was moved by Kenny Steinfort and seconded by Mike Vermetten to accept the resignation from Stephen Hendrickson as a Board member with thanks for his service to the Valley Heights school district. The motion carried unanimously.

In Additions to the Agenda- Approval of Board Vacancy Resolution- It was moved by Kenny Steinfort and seconded by Joe O'Toole to approve the Board Vacancy Resolution 12-1. The motion carried unanimously.

12. In Individual Board Member Issues- Joe O'Toole asked about a bill payable since he wasn't present when bills payable were approved. David Vermetten inquired about the immunization policy and Kenny Steinfort and the Board thanked everyone who worked with the summer programs, the summer play, and the summer camps in order to give the students of Valley Heights such great opportunities. He also wanted to thank the janitorial staff for all the work they do to keep the district's facilities looking nice.

13. There was no Executive Session.

14. There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 7:47 p.m.