

UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT # 368
BOARD OF EDUCATION
MIAMI COUNTY

Regular Meeting
NOVEMBER 14, 2011
7:00 P.M. – BOARD OF EDUCATION ROOM

MINUTES

Members Present:

Members Absent:

Stacy Bledsoe

Jim Fisher
Kelly Franke, Vice-President
Kevin Schasteen
Shelly Schierman
Tom Vohs
Mike Yocam, President

Judy Welter, Superintendent of Schools
Matt Meek, Asst. Superintendent of Schools
Jimmy Hay, Business Manager, /Clerk
Cheri Cowman, Deputy Clerk

Staff: Phil Bressler, Staci Wokutch, Mark Bloustine, Janis Grandon

Visitors: Brian McCawley, Kris Rogers

AGENDA

Ms. Franke moved to approve the agenda as written. Mr. Schasteen seconded the motion. Motion carried 6-0.

CONSENT AGENDA

Mr. Schasteen moved to approve the consent agenda. Mr. Fisher seconded the motion. Motion carried 6-0.

BOARD ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

Mr. Yocam attended a Site Council meeting at PMS where the topics were bicycle/pedestrian safety and encouraging patrons to join the Paola Booster Club. Mr. Schasteen congratulated the PHS FFA Farm management team for finishing 2nd in the nation; stated the PMS Veterans Day program was very good; and that he enjoys the Monday morning report on PHS activities from Asst. Principal Jeff Hines. Mr. Bloustine thanked PMS teachers Jody Garrison, Anita Ward, and Larry Criddle for organizing this year's Veterans Day program. Mrs. Welter reported on the following: the PHS Debate team placed 2nd in the League Tournament and the high school football team is playing in the play-offs. Schools had planned activities for Red Ribbon Week. Staff will be acknowledged during American Education Week as Central Building administrators/directors deliver treats baked by USD 368 food service.

CURRICULUM PRESENTATION

None

INFORMATION ITEMS

President Yocam reminded the Board of Education of the special meeting to be held at Sunflower Elementary School on Monday, November 28 at 7:30 am. These special meetings allow Board members to visit the individual buildings and observe students.

Judy Welter discussed bicycle and pedestrian safety now that more students are walking and riding their bicycles to school. Several steps have been taken to assist students in getting to and from school safely including increasing the time on the pedestrian lights at Hospital Drive and Baptiste Drive, the City of Paola continuing to pour more sidewalks on the main thoroughfares, and moving bicycle racks to the front of PMS. Mr. Schasteen reported he volunteers on a City of Paola task force to add more walking/riding trails through Paola.

PHS Principal, Phil Bressler, discussed various activities at Paola High School that highlight the three ideologies of instruction, communication, and assessment.

Business and Finance Director Jimmy Hay explained “cost per pupil” information to the Board of Education. The Kansas State Department of Education reported our cost per pupil as \$16,509 and Mr. Hay explained that is an inflated figure due to the over \$12 million of Special Education money that is run through our budget. Once Mr. Hay adjusted the budget figures, the cost per pupil dropped to \$10,668, which is closer to the actual cost to Paola.

ACTION ITEMS

The Board of Education selected two members to serve as the Board of Education’s representatives on the negotiation team. Mrs. Schierman moved to approve Tom Vohs to serve on the 2012-2013 negotiating team and Mr. Schasteen seconded the motion. Motion carried 6-0. Ms. Franke then moved to approve Kevin Schasteen to serve on the 2012-2013 negotiating team and Mrs. Schierman seconded the motion. Motion carried 6-0.

Mr. Vohs moved to approve hiring an SRO for the second semester at a cost of \$8,136. Ms. Franke seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-1.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

There was no executive session.

No further action was taken. The Board of Education adjourned at 8:09 pm.

President _____

Clerk _____

Date Approved: