

MINUTES
BOARD OF EDUCATION
UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 248
GIRARD, KS
JULY 9, 2020

The Board of Education of Unified School District 248 met in the GHS/GMS Cafeteria on Thursday, July 9, 2020. President, Beth Murphy, called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm. Board members present were: Roger Breneman, Dave Goble, Lori Johnson, Peggy Marshall, Beth Murphy, and Kelly Peak. Also present were: Superintendent, Blaise Bauer; Clerk, Becky Mein; Treasurer, Laurie Masters; HS Principal, Todd Ferguson; Assistant HS Principal, Chris Swartz; MS Principal, BJ Pruitt; RVH Assistant Principal, Tina Daniel; RVH Teacher, Joni Benso; Technology Support Specialist, Cindy Murphy; Brandon Callaway-Agriculture Education Teacher-FFA Advisor; FFA Students, Leo Bass, Ryan Jarboe, Zoi Rhodes, Kaleb Scales, and Rhian Slack; John Staton with Greenbush; and Hometown Girard Reporter, Cecily Perry.

Absent: Board Member; Dale Shireman.

President Beth Murphy called the meeting to order and turned the meeting over to Dave Goble, President of the Board for 2020-2021.

Roger Breneman moved, Peggy Marshall seconded the motion to elect Lori Johnson as the Chair-Elect (VP) for the 2020-2021 school year. Motion carried. 6 – 0.

Beth Murphy moved, Roger Breneman seconded the motion to elect Lori Johnson to be the representative for the Southeast Kansas Education Service Center (Greenbush) Board of Trustees. Motion carried. 6 – 0.

Beth Murphy moved, Peggy Marshall seconded the motion to elect Roger Breneman as the Board representative for the Southeast Kansas Inter Local 637 (Special Education). Motion carried. 6 – 0.

Roger Breneman, Kelly Peak seconded the motion to elect Beth Murphy and President, Dave Goble as the Board representatives to meet with the representatives for the Girard Teachers Association. Motion carried. 6 – 0.

Lori Johnson moved, Roger Breneman seconded the motion for the approval of the agenda with additions #41A- Amend the 2020-2021 School Calendar and #41B-purchase Technology Equipment, approval of the minutes of the June 11, 2020 board meeting, approval of the treasurer's report and the bills be approved for payment, amounting to \$1,433,315.79. Motion carried. 6 – 0.

Beth Murphy moved, Lori Johnson seconded the motion to approve the following donations: GHS Class of 1984-\$920.00-Stage Curtains; Learning Tree Institute-

\$2,260.00-Food Service; Year 3 Football Field Turf Donations: \$5,000-Community National Bank, \$5,000-Pepsi-Cola of Pittsburg, KS, \$5,000-Producers Cooperative Association, \$5,000-Craw-Kan Telephone, \$16,667-GNBank, \$5,000-GACF; \$15,000-Dan Smith Family, \$5,000-Freeman Surgical Center of Pittsburg and \$2,500-AgChoice of Hepler. Motion carried. 6 – 0.

John Staton, with Greenbush, presented the proposed 2020-2021 budget.

Beth Murphy moved, Lori Johnson seconded the motion to establish the 2020-2021 Budget Hearing on August 13, 2020 at 7 pm. Motion carried. 6 – 0.

Mr. Brandon Callaway, Agriculture Education Teacher-FFA Advisor introduced the Novice Parliamentary Law Team Members: Leo Bass, Ryan Jarboe, Zoi Rhodes, Kaleb Scales, and Rhian Slack. They presented their competition piece.

Roger Breneman moved, Peggy Marshall seconded that the following be approved: 1.) Designate the Community National Bank-Girard Branch, The Exchange State Bank of Girard, The Farmers Bank, and GNBank of Girard as depositories for the district funds. 2.) Designate the Morning Sun as the official newspaper. 3.) Appoint Becky Mein as Clerk of the Board. 4.) Appoint Laureen Masters as Treasurer of the Board. 5.) Appoint Laureen Masters as Freedom of Information Officer. 6) Adopt a resolution for the annual wavier of requirements for generally accepted accounting principles and fixed asset accounting. 7.) Adopt 1,116 hour calendar with the 182, six and one-half hour day format. 8.) Adopt a resolution establishing dates for regular meetings of the Board of Education. 9.) Designate the building principals as truant officers. 10.) Appoint Angie Stallbaumer, KASB as the School District Attorney. 11.) Appoint the Superintendent as Administrator of all federal programs; Coordinator for Title IX; Coordinator for Section 504 and Coordinator for Homeless Children. 12.) Appoint Korey Kimrey as Director of Food Service. 13.) Adopt a resolution authorizing the early payment of claims. 14.) Designate Laureen Masters as the District KPERs Representative. 15.) Approval of the petty cash fund reports and that the petty cash limits be reestablished at \$500.00 for Haderlein Elementary, with Tina Daniel as custodian; \$500.00 for the Girard Middle School with Brandon Pruitt as custodian; \$1,500 for the Girard High School, with Todd Ferguson as custodian. 16.) Reestablish the petty cash limits for the district office at \$1,500.00. 17). Appoint Laureen Masters as custodian for the district petty cash fund. 18.) Appoint Todd Ferguson as custodian for the Girard High School Activity fund; Brandon Pruitt as custodian for the Girard Middle School activity fund; Tina Daniel as custodian for the Haderlein Elementary School activity fund. 19.) approve the resolutions for the Activity Funds for Haderlein Elementary, Girard Middle School and Girard High School 20.) rescind all policy actions from the previous year and adopt current written policies as those that will govern for the current school year and 21.) give the authority to the Food Service Director to solicit and award food service related bids. Motion carried. 6 – 0.

No action taken, the JDC/Alternative School Agreement with Greenbush was not ready.

The USD 248 back to school information was discussed and by consensus of the Board, the “expectation is that students will attend face to face in August, unless circumstances dictate otherwise.”

Beth Murphy moved, Kelly Peak seconded the motion to enter executive session at 7:20 pm for a period of 30 minutes, for the exception for employer-employee negotiations under KOMA with the Board Members, Superintendent, Building Administrators, and Joni Benso present. This executive session was required for Meet and Confer items. Motion carried. 6 – 0.

Back to regular session at 7:50 pm.

Peggy Marshall moved, Kelly Peak seconded the motion to approve the resignation of Dina Blevins-RVH Instructor. Motion carried. 6 – 0.

Lori Johnson moved, Peggy Marshall seconded the motion to approve the employment recommendation of Hilary Rieck-RVH Instructor. Motion carried. 6 – 0.

Principal’s Reports in the Board Packets.

Superintendent, Blaise Bauer, presented information.

Beth Murphy presented her report from the Interlocal and Lori Johnson presented her report from Greenbush.

Beth Murphy moved, Peggy Marshall seconded the motion to approve the amended 2020-2021 School Calendar as presented, and also giving the Superintendent flexibility to make changes as needed with approval of the Calendar Committee by the 24th of July. Motion carried. 6 – 0.

Peggy Marshall moved, Roger Breneman seconded the motion to approve the purchase of \$60,000.00 Technology Equipment. Motion carried. 6 – 0.

Kelly Peak moved, Lori Johnson seconded the adjournment of the meeting at 8:07 pm. Motion carried. 6 – 0.

Becky Mein
Clerk