

MINUTES
BOARD OF EDUCATION
UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 248
GIRARD, KS
February 13th, 2025

The Board of Education of Unified School District 248 met in the Board Office on Thursday, February 13th, 2025. President, Peggy Marshall, called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm. Board members present were: Henry Ashbacher, Roger Breneman, Aaron Coester, Dave Goble, Lori Johnson, Peggy Marshall, and Kelly Peak. Also present were: Superintendent, Todd Ferguson; Board Clerk, Randee Hanks; Board Treasurer, Charlene Bolinger; GHS Assistant Principal, Chris Swartz; and GMS Principal BJ Pruitt. Also present was Tucker Hudson, Reporter with Hometown Girard.

Absent were: GHS Principal, Tim Davied; RVH Principal, Tina Daniel; and RVH Assistant Principal, Joni Benso.

Roger Breneman moved, Lori Johnson seconded the motion for the approval of the agenda, approval of the minutes of the January 9th, 2025 Board Meeting, approval of the treasurer's report and the bills be approved for payment, amounting to \$1,496,415.04. Motion carried 7 – 0.

Dave Goble moved, Henry Ashbacher seconded the motion to approve the following donation: \$3,000- ETCO- for student needs. Motion carried 7 – 0.

GHS Assistant Principal, Chris Swartz, and GMS Principal, BJ Pruitt presented the USD 248 PikmyKid information.

Superintendent, Todd Ferguson, presented the Facility Updates.

Dave Goble moved, Aaron Coester seconded the motion to approve the 2025-2026 Calendar. Motion carried 7 – 0.

Superintendent, Todd Ferguson, discussed establishing a Teacher Recruitment and Retention Team.

Aaron Coester moved, Henry Ashbacher seconded the motion to enter into Executive Session at 7:15 pm for a period of 10 minutes, for discussion of Non-Elected Personnel under KOMA, with Board Members and Superintendent present. Motion carried 7 – 0.

Back to regular session at 7:25 pm.

Aaron Coester moved, Dave Goble seconded the motion to approve the following employment recommendations: Madilyn Kramer, GMS ELA Teacher; and to approve the Superintendent's Contract extension, which would employ Mr. Ferguson through the 2026-2027 School Year. Motion carried 7 – 0.

Principals' Reports in the Board Packets.

Superintendent, Todd Ferguson, presented the Superintendent's Report.

Henry Ashbacher moved, Roger Breneman seconded the motion to move the May 8th, 2025 Board Meeting. The Board Meeting will be held on May 15, 2025. Motion carried 7 – 0.

Peggy Marshall reported on the Interlocal and Lori Johnson reported on Greenbush.

Roger Breneman moved, Dave Goble seconded the motion for adjournment of the meeting at 7:36 pm. Motion carried 7 – 0.

Randee Hanks
Clerk