

**Minutes for Regular Called Meeting
Pope County CUSD #1
Board of Education
J. H. Hobbs Memorial Library
September 20, 2018
7:00 p.m.**

Meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm by Board President Hansen and the following members were present: Schuchardt, Wallace, Simmons, Coen, Hogg, and Hansen. Clay was absent.

Motion was made by Hogg and seconded by Simmons to approve the agenda.

Roll call vote: all yeas.

Motion was made by Coen and seconded by Simmons to approve the consent agenda including the following: 1) Approve Minutes of Board Meetings on 8/16/2018; 2) Approve Closed Session Minutes; 3) Approve Bills for Payment; 4) Accept Financial Reports; 5) Application for Recognition of Schools; and 6) Accept Resignation from Jacob Wilson as Assistant Drama sponsor. Roll call vote: all yeas.

Lindsey Lake met with the Board in closed session. Lynn Penrod was not in attendance for her agenda item.

Under Administrative reports, Mr. Blankenship reported the following: 1) School pictures have been scheduled for September 28th; 2) Aimsweb testing for the

Fall benchmark is finished; 3) Progress reports for the 1st quarter went out this past Friday, September 14th; 4) Boy's and girl's basketball try-outs will be on September 24th and 26th; 5) The Student Council elections are over and the members have been selected; 6) The fall pre-school screenings will take place on Thursday, September 27th; 7) We had the Jr. High students complete a student questionnaire. We used part of the questionnaire to guide us on one part of the school improvement plan; and 8) Current enrollment is 354 as of September 19th.

Mr. Fritch reported the following: 1) All clubs and organizations have had their first meetings; 2) In the process of getting the projector in the community room replaced; 3) Cross Country has kicked off their season and have been performing very well. Several students have received medals and placed high at the meets; 4) Boys Fall Baseball season is in full swing. They have a busy next two weeks with games and a tourney; 5) FFA organization has been participating in several activities already; 6) In the process of dismantling the old green house. It is now gone. We are going to erect what is called a "High Tunnel". It was purchased with the Ag Incentive Funding Grant; 7) Hometown Heroes has selected a project and are in the planning phases. They are looking at the Eddyville area and are meeting with the Village Council tonight; and 8) Enrollment is 153; 46 Freshman, 35 Sophomores, 41 Juniors, 31 Seniors

Mr. Climer reported the following: 1) I have been visiting all the classrooms from Kindergarten to 12th grade; seen a lot of engagement and liking what I see; 2) Dr.

Bagley from PSIC Insurance met with Mr. Fritch and I to go over our policies; 3) Tim, Mr. Fritch, and myself meet with Ben Hanewinkel from Central States Bus Sales regarding leasing buses; 4) Dr. Larry Fillingim from the ROE meet with Mr. Fritch and I regarding truancy; 5) Mr. Andy Antonellis came and completed a safety inspection on the buildings; and 6) I attended a workshop on the ESSA program.

Motion to enter executive session for the purpose of personnel performance and employment was made by Wallace and seconded by Schuchardt. Roll call vote: all yeas. Board entered executive session at 7:17 pm.

Motion to return to regular session was made by Simmons and seconded by Hogg. Roll call vote: all yeas. Board returned at 8:49 pm.

Motion to approve the FY 2018-19 District Budget was made by Hogg and seconded by Schuchardt. Roll call vote: all yeas.

Motion to approve the FFA overnight/out-of-state trip to National Convention in Indianapolis, IN October 23-26 was made by Wallace and seconded by Hogg. Roll call vote: all yeas.

Motion to approve the FFA overnight trip to BUILD Conference in Decatur, IL November 9-10 was made by Hogg and seconded by Wallace. Roll call vote: all yeas.

Motion to approve Mrs. Broadway's out-of-state trip to WKCTC in Paducah, KY to attend a Spanish Culture Event September 24 was made by Schuchardt and seconded by Coen. Roll call vote: all yeas.

Motion to approve maternity leave as requested by Amanda Evenson was made by Simmons and seconded by Wallace. Roll call vote: all yeas.

Motion to approve Austin Ferrell as volunteer assistant for high school baseball was made by Simmons and seconded by Wallace. Roll call vote: all yeas.

Motion to hire Brett Oxford as Assistant High School Baseball coach was made by Wallace and seconded by Simmons. Roll call vote: all yeas.

Motion to hire Phillip Hosfeldt as Assistant Drama sponsor was made by Coen and seconded by Wallace. Roll call vote: all yeas.

Motion to hire Tonya Walker for individual aide position was made by Wallace and seconded by Simmons. Roll call vote: all yeas.

Mr. Climer explained to the Board the State has put in place a short-term substitute teacher license for people who have 60 college credit hours. There is a training that the administration and teacher's union have to develop to complete the process. There is a PowerPoint model and a sign-off model training available. Mr. Fritch and Mrs. Hosfeldt are working on a sign-off model training for our district. Once the substitute signs off on the training, they will be good to sub. With a short-term sub license, a sub can only sub five consecutive days in the same classroom and the license is only valid for five years. Mr. Climer recommended a pay of \$80 per day regardless of the length of assignment be approved to help save on the cost of subs. A motion was made by Wallace to set sub teacher pay at \$80 per day regardless of the length of assignment and seconded by Simmons. Roll call vote: Schuchardt, yea; Wallace, yea; Simmons, yea; Coen, abstain; Hogg, yea; Hansen, yea. Motion passed.

Mrs. Lisa Reed presented a PowerPoint presentation to the Board explaining the ESSA Quality Framework and IBAM Rubric. This is a part of the school improvement plan and has to be completed in order to apply for grants. The district vision statement and celebrating student success are weak areas that they will focus on in the plan this year. The Board needs to approve the framework and rubric for the grant to be submitted. A motion to approve ESSA Quality Framework and IBAM Rubric was made by Wallace and seconded by Simmons. Roll call vote: all yea.

Under Old Business, Mr. Blankenship reported the HVAC units in the elementary gym and kitchen have been fixed and are working properly.

President Hansen reported that the School Safety Committee is trying to set up a training for the teacher on student mental health. He has met with Melissa Presser, State's Attorney, regarding an RSO officers and the cost of this officers would be around \$20,000. She also gave him a sample contract from another school district. He has also met with the City Clerk, Jim Suits, and will be meeting with the City Council to discuss some cost sharing options.

Mr. Fritch reported the insurance company is going to go with Thorton's bid for the dugout repairs and will cut the district a check for \$5,700. He will also talk with a potential donor to see what they are willing to donate. President Hansen stated a meeting needs to get scheduled and the project needs to get started as soon as possible while the weather is still good.

Mr. Climer explained to the Board the leasing option of two new school buses. We have an older fleet with lots of miles. The funding models are a 2-3 year lease term with a mileage cap or a lease to own over a 5 year term. The transportation reimbursement would cover 75% of the cost at 20% per year for five years. The upfront cost would be \$32-34,000 the 1st year and over the next 4 years we would get the money back to pay toward the lease payment. This would be a little over budget for this year but will balance out over time. The older buses

could be sold out right or scrapped. They have no trade-in value. The new buses would be gasoline. Tim has spoken with FS and they could provide a tank. The Board agreed to bid out two buses with a leasing option on both types; gasoline and diesel, and also bid gasoline and tank.

President Hansen stated the grant submitted for the replacement of the doors and windows was denied. The Goals Committee will schedule a meeting to start working on a plan for the replacement of the doors, windows, and split units. Member Wallace added we need to get at least one set of doors and windows completed this summer. President Hansen stated we could work it in next year's budget. Mr. Blankenship added the compressor in the HVAC unit in the computer lab went out and the unit in Mr. Graves' room may not have heat. The Board agreed these need to be fixed and gave approval to the administration.

Other school business that was added, President Hansen stated the audit was passed out to each member for them to take and look over and asked them to bring any questions they may have to the next meeting.

Mr. Fritch added the FFA has a scrapbook if anyone would like to look at it. He also passed out GEC passes.

With no further business to be discussed, a motion was made by Schuchardt and seconded by Simmons to adjourn the meeting until the next scheduled meeting

to be held on Thursday, October 18, 2018 at 7:00 pm in the J.H. Hobbs Memorial Library. All members present voted yea.

Meeting adjourned at 9:59 pm.

**Michael Hansen, President
Board of Education**

**Paula Baker, Secretary
Board of Education**