

MINUTES
Regular Board of Education Meeting
Garden City Unified School District No. 457
Board Meeting Room, 1205 Fleming Street
Monday, December 5, 2016; 6:00 p.m.
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The Board of Education of Garden City USD 457 met in regular session on Monday, December 5, 2016, at 6:00 p.m. in the Board Meeting Room of the Educational Support Center, 1205 Fleming, Garden City, Kansas.

Board members present were Lara Bors, Jean Clifford, Tim Cruz, Gloria Hopkins, Dana Nanninga, Mark Rude and Jennifer Standley. Joining board members at the conference table was Superintendent, Steven Karlin. Also in attendance were Heath Hogan, Deputy Superintendent; Renee Scott, Assistant Superintendent of Student Services; Leigh Ann Roderick, Director of Elementary Education; and KJ Knoll, Financial Officer. Approximately 40 observers were present in the audience.

Jean Clifford, President, called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. The meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

	Bors	Clifford	Cruz	Hopkins	Nanninga	Rude	Standley
Motion			X				
Second	X						
Aye	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Nay							
Abstain							
<u>Carried</u>							

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion: That the Board of Education approve the meeting agenda with the following amendment:

1. Additional certified and classified personnel actions for consideration, item E-3.

DELEGATIONS, Q & A, PUBLIC COMMENTS, (a speaker or group will be allotted five minutes to speak after signing a request to address the Board of Education), RECOGNITIONS, COMMITTEE REPORTS

Chad Knight requested to address the Board of Education in regards to the YMCA Thank You Campaign and the after school program. He was allowed five minutes to make comments.

Recognition of Melanie Garrison, teacher at Garfield Early Childhood Center (GA), for being selected as one of the Teachers of the Year by the Kansas Council for Exceptional Children – Josh Guymon, Principal at GA, was present to recognize her and he spoke briefly about the recognition event in Topeka on November 14, 2016.

Buffalo Living Legacy Fund – Melissa Savolt and Renee Wallace presented information in regards to the new foundation that has been started. Mrs. Savolt spoke about the reason for starting the foundation which will award 10 \$2,500 scholarships and a \$5,000 scholarship in May to Garden City High School (GCHS) graduating seniors. Selection after blind application will be based on a 3.0 GPA, community involvement, and school involvement. Administration at the high school will oversee the choices to make sure they are good representation of GCHS and the community. Mrs. Wallace presented information in regards to their first event – Buffalo Ball on New Year’s Eve at Southwind. They will sell around 330 tickets at \$50 per ticket.

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Building Presentation – Abe Hubert Elementary School. Martha Darter, Principal, introduced and recognized staff members that were present for the meeting as well as a Site Council Member, Joe Gonzalez, that was also present for the meeting. Four teachers – Sarah Cross, Aly Amos, Brittany Turner and Julisa Flores, presented information about a project they are working on in their building – implementing the Energy Bus for kids. This book has five rules they are focusing on and the rules were presented by four students that are members of their Student Council - Nevaeh Robinson, Sydni Ruiz-Hernandez, Yazmine Ortiz, and Cesar Morales-Gomez. Information was presented in regards to promoting leadership and participation in the school bank

There was no correspondence.

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Motion		X				
Second					X	
Aye	X	X	X	X	X	X
Nay						
Abstain						
<i>Carried</i>						

APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

Motion: That the Board of Education approve all consent agenda items as amended. Lara Bors recused herself due to a possible conflict of interest. Mrs. Bors left the Boardroom at 6:37 p.m. and returned at 6:40 p.m. after the following action was taken.

1. **MINUTES** of the November 14, 2016, Board of Education meeting – approved as presented.
2. **ACCOUNTS PAYABLE** totaling \$6,100,698.66 noting that all major accounts contain adequate balances to meet current obligations – approved as presented.
3. **PERSONNEL** – all certified and classified personnel action as follows:
 - a. **Certified**
Appointments: Lisa Morton, Kylie Travers
Resignations: Cody Swartz – released from his contract and liquidated damages fee waived
Tuition Reimbursement Agreement: Adriana Caro, Deanna Spears
 - b. **Classified**
Appointments: Peggy Dinkel, Natalie Faust, Audrey Foil, Maria Murillo-Avalos
Resignations: Melissa Lanning, Blanca Morales-Fernandez, Wilson Ausmer
Retirement: Blanca Corral, Jeff Dawson
Transfers: Gina Basilio
Deceased: Robert Hubbard
Other: Moved an open special education-speech paraprofessional position from Garfield Early Childhood Center to Plymell Elementary School as a special education paraprofessional – CWC

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4. OTHER

- a. New or revised courses – approved as presented.
- AP World History
 - Employability Skills
 - Advanced Repertory Theatre
 - Creative Writing
 - Mythology and Folklore
 - 8 Math Honors Plus
 - 7 Math Honors Plus

CURRICULUM REPORT

Graduation Rate – Renee Scott, Assistant Superintendent, spoke briefly about the Graduation Rate. She invited Steve Nordy, Principal at GCHS, to present his information. Mr. Nordby presented information about GCHS graduates, how the calculation is done in regards to 4 year and 5 year graduates and 2016 GCHS 4-Year Graduation data.

Mr. Kipp, Associate Principal at GCHS, presented the 2016 GCHS 5-Year Graduation data and contributing factors to increase the graduation rate over the last several years.

Mark Ronn presented information in regards to the Garden City Alternate Education Center and the Garden City Virtual Academy, the graduation rate for 2012-2016, and projected graduates for 2017. He also introduced staff members present.

Board Members questions were answered. No action was taken.

NEW BUSINESS

Receive update on Garden City housing initiative – Matt Allen, City Manager, presented an accountability update on taxing for financing projects around the City, most specifically for a rural housing incentive district.

Carol Davidson, Assistant Director of the Neighborhood Development Services Department, presented information in regards to additional housing needed in Garden City, recent history of housing developments in Garden City, remaining RHID's developments, 2015-2024 housing estimates, 2015-2024 overall need vs actual/predicted with and without Prairie View Acres.

BOARD OPEN DISCUSSION

- Gloria Hopkins spoke about the Kansas Association of School Boards Convention in Wichita over the weekend that several Board Members attended. Mrs. Hopkins stated that Lara Bors was elected Vice President for Region 10 for the KASB Legislative Committee, Tim Cruz gave a great speech supporting the KASB president elect, Patrick Woods. Jean Clifford was on the nominating committee. Gloria Hopkins served as a delegate for the legislative session and she asked to have tax abatement evaluated.
- Lara Bors asked what we have learned from the adoption of Common Core to avoid some of the same issues that we had with implementation. Sally Cauble offered to come to a Board Meeting to explain development of the new standards. Kansas is taking charge of our own standards.

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- Jean Clifford presented information in regards to the National School Board Association meeting in March. She also stated that there is an Advocacy Meeting in January that Board Members might consider attending.
- Lara Bors spoke about the Crystal Apple Teachers.

NEXT BOARD MEETING - THE NEXT MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION WILL TAKE PLACE ON THURSDAY, DECEMBER 15, 2016, AT 5:00 P.M. IN THE BOARD MEETING ROOM AT THE EDUCATIONAL SUPPORT CENTER, 1205 FLEMING STREET, GARDEN CITY, KANSAS.

	Bors	Clifford	Cruz	Hopkins	Nanninga	Rude	Standley
Motion			X				
Second	X						
Aye	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Nay							
Abstain							
<u>Carried</u>							

EXECUTIVE SESSION - the following action was taken.

Motion: That the Board of Education go into executive session at 8:00 p.m. for the purpose of discussing matters of non-elected personnel because if this matter were discussed in open session it might invade the privacy of those discussed and that the Board of Education reconvene into open session at 8:30 p.m. in the Board Meeting Room.

Jean Clifford, Gloria Hopkins, Dana Nanninga, Mark Rude, and Jennifer Standley returned to the Board Meeting Room at 8:30 p.m. and the following action was taken.

	Clifford	Hopkins	Nanninga	Rude	Standley
Motion		X			
Second			X		
Aye	X	X	X	X	X
Nay					
Abstain					
<u>Carried</u>					

Motion: That the Board of Education extend the executive session for 20 minutes for the purpose of discussing matters of non-elected personnel because if this matter were discussed in open session it might invade the privacy of those discussed and that the Board of Education reconvene into open session at 8:50 p.m. in the Board Meeting Room.

Board Members returned to the Board Meeting Room at 8:50 p.m. and the following action was taken.

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Motion			X				
Second	X						
Aye	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Nay							
Abstain							
<u>Carried</u>							

Motion: That the Board of Education extend the contract of Dr. Steven R. Karlin for an additional year with compensation to be discussed at a later date.

	Bors	Clifford	Cruz	Hopkins	Nanninga	Rude	Standley
Motion	X						
Second						X	
Aye	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Nay							
Abstain							
<u>Carried</u>							

ADJOURNMENT - There being no further business to come before the board, the following action was taken.

Motion: That the Board of Education meeting be adjourned at 8:52 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Approved:


 Joanne Nelson, Clerk


 Jean Clifford, President