

**Unified School District #404  
Riverton School Board Regular Meeting  
Riverton Board of Education Office  
Thursday, February 9, 2017  
6:30 P.M.**

The regular school board meeting of the Board of Education, Unified School District #404, was held on February 9, 2017 at 6:30 P.M. in the Riverton Board of Education Office.

Mr. Tim Wilson called the meeting to order. Members present: Mr. Tim Wilson, Mr. Danny Anderson, Mr. Tom Wimmer, Mr. Greg Walker, Ms. Amy French and Mr. John Gaines. A six member board.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

Mr. Danny Anderson moved to approve the following consent agenda:

1. February 9, 2017 school board meeting agenda with the following additions:  
X-A: Resignations; X-B: Long-Term Substitute; XI-B: Amy French-Executive Session
2. Regular U.S.D. school board meeting minutes for January 12, 2017.
3. January expenses totaling: \$1,046,337.67

Mr. Tom Wimmer seconded; carried unanimously.

**INSURANCE**

Mr. Marc Shepherd with Copeland Insurance presented the board with the District's renewal proposal and answered questions from the board about various aspects of the District's coverage.

**CONSTRUCTION UPDATE**

Mr. Chad Greer with CGA and Mr. Aaron Hight with Crossland Construction gave the board a construction update.

**REQUEST TO APPEAR**

Steve and Lacey Studer addressed the board in executive session.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Mr. Tim Wilson moved that the board go into executive session for the purpose of non-elected personnel. The executive session is required to protect the privacy interests of an identifiable individual(s) to be discussed. The board will return to the open meeting in ten (10) minutes at 7:25 p.m. in the Board of Education Room. Mr. Tom Wimmer seconded; carried unanimously. The board retained Mr. & Mrs. Steve Studer, Mr. Todd Berry, Mrs. Shelly Livingston and Mr. Chad Harper.

The board returned to the open meeting at 7:25 p.m.

*The board took a five (05) minute break*

## **PRINCIPAL'S REPORT**

Mr. Chad Harper, High School Principal, reported that the Scholar's Bowl Team would be competing this weekend in the state tournament in Russell, Kansas.

Mr. Chad Harper, High School Principal, reported that the High School Select Choir would be singing the National Anthem at the MSSU basketball games on February 15<sup>th</sup>.

Mr. Zach Martin, Middle School Principal, reported that the 8<sup>th</sup> grade students would be participating in the NAEP testing next week.

Mr. Keith Wilson, Elementary Principal, reported on the recent Family Night as well as the recent Site Council meeting. Mr. Wilson reported that the Site Council and faculty are looking at establishing guidelines for winter recess.

Mr. Keith Wilson, Elementary Principal, reported that Landyn Martin was the District Spelling Bee Champion and would be representing Riverton in the Joplin Globe Spelling Bee on March 20<sup>th</sup>.

## **SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT**

Mr. Todd Berry, Superintendent, gave the board a legislative update.

Mr. Todd Berry, Superintendent, gave the board an update on the construction of the new softball dugouts.

The board discussed the current board vacancy position.

Mr. Bart Dugan, Maintenance and Transportation Director, reported on the status of the District's buses.

## **2017-18 SCHOOL CALENDAR**

Mr. John Gaines moved to approve the 2017-18 school calendar as presented. Mr. Danny Anderson seconded; carried unanimously.

## **RESOLUTION TO EXTEND TERM OF OFFICE**

Mr. Tom Wimmer moved to approve the following resolution:

### **RESOLUTION TO EXTEND TERM OF OFFICE**

#### **RESOLUTION**

BE IT RESOLVED THAT, the Board of Education of Unified School District No. 404, Cherokee County, Kansas hereby extends the term of office for any elected board member whose term would expire at any time in 2017 until the second Monday in January of 2018, when newly elected members of the governing body and other newly elected officials shall take office pursuant to K.S.A. 2015 Supp. 25-21a01.

Ms. Amy French seconded; carried unanimously.

## **GIFTS/DONATIONS TO DISTRICT**

Mr. Danny Anderson moved to accept the following gifts/donations:

Family of Lester Jones donation to softball field

Donation in memory of Mary Ann Talbot from Susie Angwin Heflin

Ms. Amy French seconded; carried unanimously.

## **RESIGNATIONS**

Mr. John Gaines moved to accept the resignation of Pam Bevis as head volleyball coach and summer weights and conditioning coordinator. The board expressed their appreciation to Ms. Bevis' for her dedication to the volleyball program for the last 17 years.

## **LONG TERM SUBSTITUTE**

Mr. Tim Wilson moved to hire Dylan Weaver as long-term substitute for Physical Conditioning and Strength for the Spring 2017 semester only. Hiring is contingent upon waiver approval by Kansas State Board of Education on February 14, 2017. Pay will be according to the long term substitute guidelines with 5 days of sick leave and 1 ½ days of personal leave. Mr. Tom Wimmer seconded; carried unanimously.

## **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Ms. Amy French moved that the board go into executive session for the purpose of non-elected personnel. The executive session is required to protect the privacy interests of an identifiable individual(s) to be discussed. The board will return to the open meeting in fifteen (15) minutes at 9:20 p.m. in the Board of Education Room. Mr. Danny Anderson seconded; carried unanimously. The board retained Mr. Todd Berry and will call in Mr. Bart Dugan at a later time.

*Mr. Bart Dugan entered the executive session at 9:17 p.m.*

The board returned to the open meeting at 9:20 p.m.

Ms. Amy French moved that the board go into executive session for the purpose of non-elected personnel. The executive session is required to protect the privacy interests of an identifiable individual(s) to be discussed. The board will return to the open meeting in ten (10) minutes at 9:30 p.m. in the Board of Education Room. Mr. Danny Anderson seconded; carried unanimously. The board retained Mr. Todd Berry and Mr. Bart Dugan.

The board returned to the open meeting at 9:30 p.m.

Ms. Amy French moved that the board go into executive session for the purpose of non-elected personnel. The executive session is required to protect the privacy interests of an identifiable individual(s) to be discussed. The board will return to the open meeting in five (05) minutes at 9:35 p.m. in the Board of Education Room. Mr. Danny Anderson seconded; carried unanimously. The board retained Mr. Todd Berry and Mr. Bart Dugan.

The board returned to the open meeting at 9:35 p.m.

Ms. Amy French moved that the board go into executive session for the purpose of non-elected personnel. The executive session is required to protect the privacy interests of an identifiable individual(s) to be discussed. The board will return to the open meeting in five (05) minutes at 9:40 p.m. in the Board of Education Room. Mr. Danny Anderson seconded; carried unanimously. The board retained Mr. Todd Berry and Mr. Bart Dugan.

The board returned to the open meeting at 9:40 p.m.

Ms. Amy French moved that the board go into executive session for the purpose of non-elected personnel. The executive session is required to protect the privacy interests of an identifiable individual(s) to be discussed. The board will return to the open meeting in ten (10) minutes at 9:55 p.m. in the Board of Education Room. Mr. Danny Anderson seconded; carried unanimously. The board retained Mr. Todd Berry and Mr. Danny Weaver.

The board returned to the open meeting at 9:55 p.m.

### **RETIREMENTS**

Ms. Amy French moved to accept the early retirement request of Mrs. Deb Burns, Middle School Language Arts/Reading, effective at the end of the 2016-17 school year. The board expressed their appreciation to Mrs. Burns for her many years of service and dedication to the district. Mr. Tom Wimmer seconded; carried unanimously.

### **SUPPLEMENTAL CONTRACTS**

Mr. John Gaines moved to approve the following supplemental contracts:

HS Head Track: CJ August  
HS Head Golf: JD Heatherly

Middle School Fall Coaches:  
Football: Adam Babcock-Head Coach  
Kyle Dannelley-Asst. Coach  
Todd Lee- Asst. Coach

Volleyball: Amanda Williamson-Head Coach  
Morgan Gavin-Asst. Coach  
Paige Pate-Asst. Coach

Ms. Amy French seconded; carried unanimously.

### **PRINCIPAL'S CONTRACTS**

Mr. Tim Wilson moved to approve renewal of the Principal's contract through the 2018-19 school year. Mr. Tom Wimmer seconded; carried unanimously.

### **TRANSFER**

Mr. Greg Walker moved to approve the transfer of Lori Scantlin from Middle/High School Music to Elementary Music. Mr. Danny Anderson seconded; carried unanimously.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Mr. Tim Wilson moved to adjourn the meeting at 10:05 p.m. Mr. John Gaines seconded; carried unanimously.

The next regularly scheduled board meeting will be Thursday, March 9<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 p.m. in the Board of Education Office.

Tim Wilson  
Board President

Susie Nowlin  
Board Clerk