

**Unified School District #404  
Riverton School Board Regular Meeting  
Riverton Board of Education Office  
Thursday, November 10, 2022  
6:30 P.M.**

The regular school board meeting of the Board of Education, Unified School District #404, was held on Thursday, November 10, 2022 at 6:30 P.M. in the Riverton Board of Education Office.

Tim Wilson called the meeting to order. Members present: Tim Wilson, Judy Adams, Kyle Anderson, Kristin Greer, Jennifer Edwards, Matt Darnaby and Gary Neal. A seven-member board.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

Judy Adams moved to approve the following consent agenda:

1. November 10, 2022 school board meeting agenda.
2. Regular U.S.D. school board meeting minutes for October 13, 2022.
3. October 31, 2022 Treasurer report by Royce Donaldson, Treasurer, U.S.D #404
4. October expenses totaling \$286,208.20

Matt Darnaby seconded; carried unanimously.

**AUDITOR'S REPORT**

The board heard from Terry Sercer with Diehl, Banwart, Bolton, CPA, P.A. regarding the District's 2021-22 audit report. Kyle Anderson moved to approve the auditor's report as presented; Jennifer Edwards seconded; carried unanimously.

**PRINCIPAL'S REPORT**

Adam Thomasson, Elementary Principal, reported the Elementary had a 98% attendance rate for Parent-Teacher conferences.

Adam Thomasson, Elementary Principal, reported on the Fall Festival, the upcoming PTO Carnival, the upcoming Family Night and Christmas concert.

Adam Thomasson, Elementary Principal, reported the Elementary Site Council met on November 10<sup>th</sup>.

Zach Martin, Middle School Principal, reported the Middle School had a 96% attendance rate for Parent-Teacher conferences.

Zach Martin, Middle School Principal, reported the Middle School Site Council met on November 2<sup>nd</sup>.

Zach Martin, Middle School Principal, reported on intramurals and girls' basketball.

Chad Harper, High School Principal, reported the High School had a 96% attendance rate for Parent-Teacher conferences.

Chad Harper, High School Principal, reported on athletic events, FBLA competition, Rams Writing League, FCCLA blood drive, National FFA convention, band fundraiser, FEA/Science Club field trip, Scholar's Bowl competitions, District Music auditions, upcoming musical, parades and Christmas program.

Chad Harper, High School Principal, reported the High School Site Council met on November 10<sup>th</sup>.

Zach Martin and Adam Thomasson gave the board an update on recent meetings with the committee established to explore a 4-day school week. Zach and Adam will continue updating the board with their research findings and committee meetings.

### **SUPERVISOR'S REPORTS**

Justin Wilson, Maintenance Director, gave the board a facilities update.

Jon Bruce, Transportation Director, gave the board a transportation update.

### **SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT**

Todd Berry, Superintendent, gave the board information on the upcoming Food Service Administrative Review with KSDE scheduled for November 15<sup>th</sup>.

Todd Berry, Superintendent, reported that the County had recently provided the final tax levy rates for the year. The County Clerk reported an increase in the District's assessed valuation which will allow taxpayers to see a slight decrease in the local mill rate.

Todd Berry, Superintendent, reported that information is being explored to allow the District to process online payments in the future.

Todd Berry, Superintendent, gave the board information on the upcoming insurance review audit scheduled for December.

Todd Berry, Superintendent, gave the board information on the recent legislative hearings for Special Ed funding.

Todd Berry, Superintendent, gave the board information on the need to list a surplus bus on Purple Wave as well as the District need for a new bus.

### **SURPLUS BUS**

Judy Adams moved to list the surplus bus (#53) on Purple wave. Matt Darnaby seconded; carried unanimously.

## **BUS BIDS**

Judy Adams moved to seek bids for a new school bus. Jennifer Edwards seconded; carried unanimously.

## **AUDITOR'S CONTRACT**

Kristin Greer moved to approve the audit contract for Diehl, Banwart, Bolton, CPA, P.A. to conduct the audit for the 2022-23 school year. Kyle Anderson seconded; carried unanimously.

## **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Tim Wilson moved that the board go into executive session to discuss employment recommendations pursuant to the non-elected personnel exception under KOMA for fifteen (15) minutes and the board will return to the open meeting at 8:15 p.m. Judy Adams seconded; carried unanimously. The board retained Todd Berry.

The board returned to the open session at 8:15 p.m.

Tim Wilson moved that the board go into executive session to discuss employment recommendations pursuant to the non-elected personnel exception under KOMA for ten (10) minutes and the board will return to the open meeting at 8:25 p.m. Judy Adams seconded; carried unanimously. The board retained Todd Berry.

The board returned to the open meeting at 8:25 p.m.

## **RETIREMENTS**

Judy Adams moved to accept the retirement of Elizabeth LaTurner, Food Service Clerk, effective June 30, 2023. Matt Darnaby seconded; carried unanimously. The board expressed their sincere appreciation to Elizabeth for her hard work and dedication to the District over the past 23 years.

Tim Wilson moved to accept the retirement of Todd Berry, Superintendent, effective June 30, 2023. Judy Adams seconded; carried unanimously. Tim Wilson reflected on the various accomplishments and work Todd has done for the District over the years. The board expressed their sincere appreciation for Todd's hard work and dedication to the District over the past 30 years as a teacher, administrator and superintendent.

## **3<sup>RD</sup> PARTY SUPERINTENDENT SEARCH FIRM**

Tim Wilson moved to use Greenbush as the 3<sup>rd</sup> party Superintendent search firm. Judy Adams seconded; carried unanimously.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

Judy Adams moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:33 p.m. Tim Wilson seconded; carried unanimously.

The next regularly scheduled board meeting will be Thursday, December 8<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 p.m. in the Riverton Board of Education Office.

Tim Wilson  
Board President

Susie Nowlin  
Board Clerk