

May 2023 Minutes

U.S.D. # 227 Board of Education met May 1, 2023, at 7:00 p.m. for the Regular Board Meeting. Board members in attendance were: Bill Carr, Brenda Shelton, Jesse Jones, Matt Antonelli, Michael Cossman, Todd Ruff and Erin Washburn (arriving at 7:02 p.m.). Administrators in attendance were Doug Chaney and Jason Fawcett. Others attending: Christina Cohoon, Debra Webb, Katie Olson, Nicole Kline, Colby Kline, Kerra Cossman, and Kelli Beougher.

1. Brenda Shelton (Jesse Jones) motion to approve the agenda. Motion carried
2. Michael Cossman (Todd Ruff) motion to approve April minutes as written. Motion carried.
3. Nicole and Colby Kline addressed the board with their concerns regarding the new valedictorian/salutatorian policy adopted by the Board in February. They offered some suggestions on ways to improve the policy. They also addresses their concerns with the board minutes not being updated on the website and the lack of detail in them. They suggested that the Board videotape their meetings to be made available for the public to view. The Board discussed some of the options presented and will make a discussion at a later date however, the new criteria would not affect the incoming juniors or seniors and would take effect for the incoming freshmen and sophomores.
4. Superintendent Chaney and the KESA Committee, Debra Webb, Katie Olson, Kerra Cossman and Kelli Beougher, spoke about the recent OVT visit and shared some current data regarding Hodgeman County's academics with the Board.

(Debra Webb, Katie Olson, Nicole Kline, Colby Kline, Kerra Cossman, and Kelli Beougher left the meeting at 7:38 p.m.)

5. Superintendent Chaney notified the Board that he has been in contact with D.V. Douglas Roofing and they are looking to get started on the roofs at the end of May or beginning of June depending on the weather. Jason Pelton is planning to be here to start fixing the water line at the high school as soon as school gets out. Weins Construction plan to be here the week of May 8th to repair the VoAg roof. Mr. Chaney is still jumping through hoops to get the ESSER III money taken care of.
6. The Board viewed and discussed the Clark S. Carlile scholarship applications.
7. Matt Antonelli (Jesse Jones) motion to award Kaylee Hendrickson, Jaydon Hahn, Whitney Salmans and Sawyer Bowman \$500 each; Kaitlyn Ewy, Malynn Beil, Jessie Ruff and Logan Lee \$300 each; Grace Shiew and Candice Chaney \$200 each and Abigail Chaney \$100 Motion carried.
8. Superintendent Chaney informed the board that we will be having summer school. There will be approx. 23 students but we are still waiting on some permission slips.
9. Superintendent Chaney informed the board Mr. Liggett will have 11 kids and he anticipates being completed by Memorial Day.
10. Principal Fawcett talked to the Board about ms/hs activities.

11. Jesse Jones will hand out diplomas this year.
12. Superintendent Chaney notified the board we are anticipating 19, possibly 20 kids for kindergarten next year. Dog patch is the last day of school and we will dismiss at 11:15 am.
13. Todd Ruff (Jesse Jones) motion to approve the classified staff list as presented with the exception of the cooks. Motion carried.
14. Todd Ruff (Jesse Jones) motion to approve the high school supplemental list as presented with the exception of KESA and high school boys basketball coaches. Motion carried
15. Michael Cossman (Jesse Jones) motion to approve Gustavo Flores as high school boys head basketball coach and Hunter Hope as high school boys assistant basketball coach. Motion carried 5-2 (no votes – Matt Antonelli and Erin Washburn)
16. Todd Ruff (Brenda Shelton) motion to approve the jr. high supplemental list as presented. Motion carried.
17. Todd Ruff (Brenda Shelton) motion to approve the certified staff list as presented. Motion carried.
18. Jesse Jones (Matt Antonelli) motion to pay bills as presented. Motion carried.
19. Brenda Shelton (Jesse Jones) motion to adjourn 8:14 p.m.

(Board President)

(Clerk)

(Date)