

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING
BLUESTEM UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 205
LEON, KANSAS**

The regular meeting of Bluestem USD No. 205 Board of Education was held Monday, August 10, 2009, at 7:00 p.m. at the Central Office, Leon, Kansas.

DISTRICT BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT

Kenny Sowers	President	Trish Stiger	Member
Brett Jurging	Vice-President	Melissa Hatfield	Member
Jeremy Nelson	Member	Trish Navarro	Member

DISTRICT BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT

Phyllis Brewer Member

OTHERS PRESENT

Randy Rivers, Superintendent; Ava McHone, Clerk; Ron Wrampe, BHS Principal; Joel Lovesee, BMS Principal; Debbie Webster, BES Principal; Steve Shrogen, George K. Baum; Mark Carson and Dennis Hatfield, Teachers; Todd Leed, Technology Director; Melinda Leed, Connie Graves, Rick and Kathy Graves, Drew Wilson, Darci McCoy, Frank Miller, and Lois Carson, Patrons.

REGULAR PROCEEDINGS

President Sowers called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Brett Jurging moved and Melissa Hatfield seconded the motion that the agenda be approved with the addition of the following items: XA. Executive Session for Non Elected Personnel and XB Executive Session for Negotiations. The following supplemental contracts were also added to the consent agenda: Jacqueline Burris—BHS Spanish, Mark Carson BMS FB Coach, and Chris Day, BMS Assistant Volleyball Coach.

Motion unanimously carried.

BUDGET HEARING

Mr. Rivers reviewed the proposed budget with the Board. Items reviewed during the presentation were mill levy rates, assessed valuations, costs saving measures the district has implemented. Mr. Rivers also reviewed the maximum budget authority which was published. Mr. Rivers reviewed the QZAB bonds the district is using to repair the roof at BHS and to replace heating and air conditioning units. Mr. Rivers answered several questions concerning the budget from patrons in attendance at the meeting.

BOND REFINANCING

Steve Shrogen from George K. Baum gave a presentation to the Board regarding the option of refunding the elementary school bond issue. The district would be able to save approximately \$100,000 on the remaining five years of the bond issue. Superintendent Rivers recommended to the Board that the district consider refinancing the remaining bonds.

Jeremy Nelson moved and Melissa Hatfield seconded the motion that the Board adopt Resolution 09-08-01 authorizing the offering for sale of general obligation refunding bonds, series 2009, of Unified School District No. 205, Butler County, Kansas (Bluestem). (copy attached to permanent minutes)

Motion unanimously carried.

CONSENT AGENDA

Brett Jurging moved and Trish Stiger seconded the motion that the consent agenda be approved which included the following: Minutes of the July 20 regular meeting and the acceptance of a gift from the ONEOK on behalf of BASE; financial reports and claims, early payment of claims, Craig Brown as assistant BHS Football Coach, resignation of Natalie Cloud as BHS Spanish Teacher and waive any liquated damages; Jacqueline Burris as BHS Spanish Teacher, Mark Carson , BMS FB and Chris Day as BHS Volleyball.

Motion unanimously carried.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Several patrons in attendance at the meeting expressed concerns over issues regarding athletics and various policies and procedures.

STAFF REPORTS

Debbie Webster, Joel Lovesee and Ron Wrampe gave reports pertaining to each of their building.

BUDGET

Brett Jurging moved and Melissa Hatfield that the budget for the 2009-2010 school be adopted as follows: Maximum general fund budget authority; local option budget which is \$100,000 less than the maximum allowable budget authority; a capital outlay levy of 4 mills and some adjustments to the bond and interest fund due to the refunding of the 1999 bonds. The adopted budget approved at a local mill rate of approximately 59.1 mills.

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Motion unanimously carried.

PERSONNEL

BOARD RECESSES TO EXECUTIVE SESSION AT 8:35 P.M.

Brett Jurging moved and Jeremy Nelson seconded the motion that the Board recess to executive session for a period of 5 minutes for the purpose of discussing non-elected personnel. Those remaining for the executive session to be all Board members and Randy Rivers.

Motion unanimously carried.

BOARD RECONVENES FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION AT 8:40 P.M.

NEGOTIATIONS

BOARD RECESSES TO EXECUTIVE SESSION AT 8:40 P.M.

Melissa Hatfield moved and Trish Stiger seconded the motion that the Board recess to executive session for a period of 10 minutes for the purpose of discussing negotiations. Those remaining for the executive session to be all board members and Randy Rivers.

Motion unanimously carried.

BOARD RECONVENES FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION AT 8:50 P.M.

PERSONNEL

BOARD RECESSES TO EXECUTIVE SESSION AT 8:50 P.M.

Melissa Hatfield moved and Brett Jurging seconded the motion that the Board recess to executive session for a period of 5 minutes for the purpose of discussing non elected personnel. Those remaining in the executive session were only board members.

Motion unanimously carried.

BOARD RECONVENES FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION AT 8:55 P.M.

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The Board will meet at BES at 6 p.m. prior to the meeting on September 14 for building tours. A special meeting will probably be scheduled the first of September for action regarding the refinancing of bonds.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, President Sowers adjourned the meeting at 9:00 p.m..

KENNY SOWERS, PRESIDENT
BOARD OF EDUCATION

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BOARD OF EDUCATION

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