

**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, December 14, 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
Phyllis Brewer	Member	Trish Navarro	Member

**DISTRICT BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT**

Jeremy Nelson	Member
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**OTHERS PRESENT**

Randy Rivers, Superintendent; Ava McHone, Clerk; Debbie Webster, BES Principal; Joel Lovesee, BMS Principal; Dennis Hatfield, Bobbi Anderson, Stacey Scribner, George Stewart, Theresa Smith, Angie Baker Melissa Winter, Jodi Crumrine and Chris Houseman, Teachers; Marlyn Brown, Transportation Supervisor; Jan Hus, School Nurse; Tanna Redenbaugh, Courtney Prewitt, and Ethel Taylor, Aides; Diane Remsberg and Maria Starker, Secretaries; Drew Wilson, Lois Carson, Connie Graves, Amy Potter, Jamie Turner, Jodi Laidler, Brendan Turner, Melanie Brewer, Mrs. Hrabe, and Lisa Kearns, Patrons; Cassidy Turner, Brendan Turner, and Men's Choir, Students

**REGULAR PROCEEDINGS**

President Sowers called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.. Trish Stiger moved and Brett Jurging seconded the motion that the agenda be approved with the deletion of item VII.

Motion unanimously carried.

**PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

The BHS men's choir performed for the Board during the public participation forum.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

Trish Stiger moved and Brett Jurging seconded the motion that the consent agenda be approved which included the following:

Approval of the November 9, 2009 meeting  
Approval of Financial Reports and Claims  
Site Council-Bluestem Elementary School Notes from 11/2/09  
Resolution to adopt the Butler County Hazard Mitigation Plan  
Updated Three Year Technology Plan for submission to KSDE  
2008-09 Financial Audit from Peterson, Peterson, and Goss, LLC

Motion unanimously carried.

### **STAFF REPORTS**

Jan Hus reported to the Board the district has received a grant from Blue Cross and Blue Shield in the amount of \$1,000 for Healthy Habits for Life. Randy Rivers and Joel Lovesee also reported briefly on they trip to the National Association for K-12 Online Learning Conference in Austin Texas.

### **BUDGET**

Randy Rivers reviewed with the Board a presentation regarding budget cuts for the current year and also anticipated budget cuts for the 2010-2011 year. It was the consensus of the Board not to pursue a 4-day school for the remainder of the current school year. The Board will discuss at the next meeting the possibility of shortening the current school year to help reduce expenditures. A list of possible budget for the 2010-11 school year was also discussed.

### **BOARD VACANCY**

Randy Rivers reported to the Board that Jeremy Nelson has resigned his Board position due to moving out of the distict.

Trish Stiger moved and TrishNavarro seconded the motion that the Board adopt resolution to fill the board vacancy due to the resignation of Jeremy Nelson.

Motion unanimously carried.

### **STUDENT INFORMATION SYSTEM**

Randy Rivers recommended to the Board that the district change from Go Edustar to Power School for the student information system effective in August 2010.

Brett Jurging moved and Trish Stiger seconded the motion that the district change to Power School as recommended.

Motion unanimously carried.

**PERSONNEL**

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

Trish Stiger moved and Trish Navarro seconded the motion that the Board recess to executive session for a period of 30 minutes for the purpose of discussing non-elected personnel. Those remaining for the executive session were all board members, Randy Rivers and Marlyn Brown.

Motion unanimously carried.

**BOARD RECONVENES FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION AT 9:10 P.M.**

**BOARD RECESSES TO EXECUTIVE SESSION AT 9:10 P.M.**

Melissa Hatfield moved and Trish Navarro seconded the motion that the Board recess to executive session for a period of 15 minutes for purpose of discussing non-elected personnel. Those remaining for the executive session were all board members, and Randy Rivers.

Motion unanimously carried.

**BOARD RECONVENES FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION AT 9:25 P.M.**

Brett Jurging moved and Phyllis Brewer seconded the motion that retirement resignations from Gary and NeAnn Jones be accepted.

Motion unanimously carried.

Brett Jurging moved and Trish Stiger seconded the motion that the Board approve with employment of Arminda Garcia and Silvia Guardado be approved as custodians.

Motion unanimously carried.

Trish Stiger moved and Brett Jurging seconded the motion that the following coaching positions be approved:

Chris Semisch—BHS Assistant Girls Basketball  
Darius Semisch—BHS Assistant Boys Basketball  
Sal Tovar—Softball Assistant

Motion unanimously carried.

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Trish Stiger moved and Phyllis Brewer seconded the motion that the Board terminate the employment of Fredrick Ates as BHS Custodian.

Motion unanimously carried.

**ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, President Sowers adjourned the meeting at 9:30 p.m..

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KENNY SOWERS, PRESIDENT  
BOARD OF EDUCATION

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