

**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, September 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		

DISTRICT BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT

Jeremy Nelson	Member	Trish Navarro	Member
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OTHERS PRESENT

Randy Rivers, Superintendent; Ava McHone, Clerk; Debbie Webster, BES Principal; David Carson, BHS Assistant Principal and Activities Director; Mark Carson, Mark Womacks and Dannis Hatfield, Teachers; Todd Leed, Technology Coordinator; Jodi Laidler, Connie Graves, Drew Wilson, Rick Graves, Kathy Graves, Michelle Chilcott, Lois Carson, Greg May, Darci McCoy, David Wilson, Mary Gail Harkins, Dr. Davy Harkins, Stan Chilcott, Michelle Chilcott, Chuck Bird, David Wilson, Shane Graves, and Kyle Wiseman, Patrons; Jessica Ablers, Student

REGULAR PROCEEDINGS

President Sowers called the meeting to order at 7:03 p.m.. Prior to calling the meeting the meeting to order the Board toured Bluestem High School and Bluestem Elementary School. Brett Jurging moved and Phyllis Brewer seconded the motion that the agenda be accepted with the addition of the following item. Addition to the Consent Agenda— Approval of the sale of the building trades class at 700 Stadium.

Motion unanimously carried.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Members from the Bluestem Care Coalition addressed the Board on several issues. David Wilson presented several questions to the Board. It was agreed by the Board and the Care Coalition that the Board would respond to the questions at the end the next Board of Education meeting on October 12, 2009.

CONSENT AGENDA

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

- Approval of the August 10, 2009 meeting minutes
- Approval of the September 8, 2009 meeting minutes
- Approval of Financial Reports and Claims
- Approval of the sale of the house at 700 Stadium Drive, Leon, KS

Motion unanimously carried.

STAFF REPORTS

The Board heard staff reports from Todd Leed, David Carson, and Debbie Webster. Randy Rivers reviewed staff reports from Joel Lovesee and staff at BHS. Mr. Rivers also updated the Board on current enrollments and the community that care data.

COOPERATIVE AGREEMENTS

Mr. Rivers reported to the Board on a meeting the county superintendents have scheduled to discuss cooperative agreements in the county beyond special education.

VIRTUAL SCHOOL

Mr. Rivers visited with the board on virtual schools and blended learning. He requested that the Board send a team to the Virtual School Symposium in Austin, in November. The team would be an administrator, staff member, superintendent, and board member. It was the consensus of the Board to send a team to the symposium.

PERSONNEL

BOARD RECESSES TO EXECUTIVE SESSION AT 8:10 P.M.

Trish Stiger moved and Melissa Hatfield seconded the motion that the Board recess to executive session for a period of 15 minutes for the 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 8:25 P.M.

BOARD RECESSES TO EXECUTIVE SESSION AT 8:25 P.M.

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Trish Stiger moved and Melissa Hatfield seconded the motion that the Board recess to executive session for a period of 20 minutes for purpose of discussing non-elected personnel. Those remaining for the executive session were all board members, Randy Rivers, David Carson, and Mark Womacks.

Motion unanimously carried.

BOARD RECONVENES FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION AT 8:45 P.M.

BOARD RECESSES TO EXECUTIVE SESSION AT 8:45 P.M.

Trish Stiger moved and Phyllis Brewer seconded the motion that the Board recess to executive session for a period of 10 minutes for the purpose of discussing non-elected personnel. Those remaining for the executive session were all Board members, Randy Rivers, David Carson, and Mark Womacks.

Motion unanimously carried.

Randy Rivers, David Carson, and Mark Womacks left the executive session at 8:47 p.m.

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

Randy Rivers recommended to the Board that resignations be accepted from Jimna Knapp and Annie Wilson at the end of the 2009-2010 school year due to retirement

Brett Jurging moved and Trish Stiger seconded the motion that the Board accept resignations from Jimna Knapp and Annie Wilson.

Motion unanimously carried.

Randy Rivers recommended that the Board accept the resignation of Wanda Thompson at the end of the 2009-2010 school year contingent on the Bluestem Teachers Association agreeing to provide the district paid insurance to Mrs. Thompson although she has not had continuous health insurance for the past five years.

Brett Jurging moved and Trish Stiger seconded the motion that the resignation from Wanda Thompson be accepted upon approval of the district paid health insurance by the Bluestem Teacher's Association.

Motion unanimously carried.

Trish Stiger moved Brett Jurging seconded the motion that a resignation from Kasie Kieffer as middle school assistant girl's basketball coach be approved.

Motion unanimously carried.

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

Kyle Madden—BHS Wrestling Head
Jenny Oliver and Nicole Taylor—BMS Cheerleading
Jacque Burris—Junior Class
Ken Butler—BMS Head Girls BB Coach

Motion unanimously carried.

Trish Stiger moved and Brett Jurging seconded the motion that the minutes of the July 20, 2009 be amended to state that Melissa Hatfield made the motions regarding personnel instead of Dennis Hatfield.

Motion unanimously carried.

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