

**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, January 12, 2009, at 7:00 p.m. at the Central Office, Leon, Kansas.

DISTRICT BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT

Melissa Hatfield	Vice-President	Brett Jurging (8:30)	Member
Kenny Sowers	Member	Phyllis Brewer	Member
Trish Stiger	Member	Trish Navarro	Member

DISTRICT BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT

Jeremy Nelson	Member
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OTHERS PRESENT

Randy Rivers, Superintendent; Ava McHone, Clerk; Ron Wrampe, BHS Principal; Kathy Metsker, Assessment Coordinator; Mark Womacks and Tod Johnson; Colleen Turner, Student; Mr. and Mrs. Turner, Parents

REGULAR PROCEEDINGS

Vice-President Hatfield called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.. Kenny Sowers moved and Trish Stiger seconded the motion that the agenda be approved.

Motion unanimously carried.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION FORUM

The Board heard a presentation by Colleen Turner describing a career fair project being planned by the high school chapter of Skills USA. Colleen also shared information about a summer opportunity she was raising funds to take advantage of.

BHS Skills USA sponsor, Tod Johnson, reported to the board that Kelsi Ferren would travel to Topeka on Tuesday, January 13th to meet with the Governor and Kansas State Board of Education members in her state leadership role with the Skills USA organization.

CONSENT AGENDA

Phyllis Brewer moved and Trish Stiger seconded the motion that the consent agenda be approved that included the following items:

Minutes of the December 8, 2008 Meeting
Financial Reports and Claims
2007-08 fiscal audit from Peterson, Peterson and Goss

Motion unanimously carried.

STAFF REPORTS

The Board reviewed written staff reports from building administrators and department supervisors.

POLICIES

Mr. Rivers presented the School Organization and Negotiations section of the policy book. It was the recommendation that the board abandon all but two of the old policies. This was considered the first reading of the policy.

POLICIES

Mr. Rivers presented the Board with the Personnel Section of the Board Policy Book for the second reading.

Kenny Sowers moved and Phyllis Brewer seconded the motion that the Personnel section of the policy book be approved.

Motion unanimously carried.

SRO VEHICLE

Randy Rivers presented the Board with a proposal to purchase a 2004 Explorer as a newer vehicle for the SRO. Total cost of the vehicle not to exceed \$11,000.00.

Trish Stiger moved and Kenny Sowers seconded the motion to give the superintendent authority to spend up to \$11,000 to acquire a newer vehicle for the school resource office.

NON-ELECTED PERSONNEL

BOARD RECESSES TO EXECUTIVE SESSION AT 7:45 P.M.

Kenny Sowers moved and Trish Stiger seconded the motion that the Board recess to executive session for a period of 1 hour for the purpose of discussing non-elected personnel. Those remaining for the executive session to be all Board members, Randy Rivers, Ron Wrampe and Mark Womacks.

Motion unanimously carried.

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

NEGOTIATIONS

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

Brett Jurging moved and Phyllis Brewer seconded the motion that the Board recess to executive session for a period of 30 minutes for the purpose of discussing negotiations.

Motion unanimously carried.

BOARD RECONVENES FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION AT 9:20 P.M.

The Board approved the transfer of Tara King from middle school secretary to high school custodian. The middle school secretary position will not be filled.

ADJOURNMENT

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

MELISSA HATFIELD, VICE-PRESIDENT
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