

Minutes of the Meeting
September 8, 2008

**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 8, 2008, at 7:00 p.m. at the Central Office, Leon, Kansas.

DISTRICT BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT

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

OTHERS PRESENT

Randy Rivers, Superintendent; Ava McHone, Clerk; Ron Wrampe, BHS Principal; Debbie Webster, BES Principal; Kevin Hood, BMS Principal; Mary Beth Ogle, BAC Committee, and Jeff Eastman, Teacher

REGULAR PROCEEDINGS

President Nelson called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Melissa Hatfield moved and Kenny Sowers seconded the motion that the agenda be approved with the addition of one item: Item VA Additional Bids

Motion unanimously carried.

CONSENT AGENDA

Jeff Eastman updated the Board on the Professional Development Plan.

Kenny Sowers moved and Melissa Hatfield seconded the motion that the consent agenda be approved that included the following items:

- Approval of August 11, 2008 meeting minutes
- Approval of financial reports and claims
- Approval of updated Professional Development Plan
- Approval of sale of excess vehicles and mowers
- Approval of sponsors and staff appointments.

Motion unanimously carried.

The board directed Randy Rivers to rebid two vehicles that received no bids prior to the bid deadline.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

During the Public Participation Forum, Jeff Eastman, Bluestem Elementary School teacher, gave a faculty and staff report. Mary Beth Ogle, representing the Bluestem Advisory Council, presented an update on recent BAC activities.

STAFF REPORTS

The Board briefly reviewed staff reports.

POLICIES

Mr. Rivers presented the Board of Education Section of the policy book for approval. This was considered the second reading of the policy.

Brett Jurging moved and Phyllis Brewer seconded the motion that the Board of Education Section of the district policies be approved.

Motion unanimously carried.

Mr. Rivers presented the Board the administration section of the board policies. This was the first reading on the administration section of board policy. Final action of this section is scheduled for the October Board meeting.

CREDIT CARDS

Mr. Rivers recommended to the Board that additional American Express cards be approved for each of the building principal.

Kenny Sowers moved and Melissa Hatfield seconded the motion that American Express cards be approved for each building principal

Motion unanimously carried.

STRATEGIC PLANNING

Mr. Rivers briefed the board on the strategic planning process he plans to initiate in September. The process will begin with four community meetings in September, October and November and be followed by staff and student meetings in January and February. The board will schedule a retreat in March or April to take information gathered in community, staff and student meetings into consideration as they draft a three to five year plan.

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SUPERINTENDENT'S EVALUATION

The Board requested that Mr. Rivers research alternative superintendent evaluation documents.

BOARD RECESSES TO EXECUTIVE SESSION AT 7:50 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 personnel. Those remaining for the executive session to be all board members, and Randy Rivers.

Motion unanimously carried.

BOARD RECONVENES FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION AT 8:30 P.M.

RESIGNATION

Mr. Rivers presented the Board with a resignation from Frank Darbro as high school custodian effective September 12.

Kenny Sowers moved and Melissa Hatfield seconded the motion that the resignation from Frank Darbro be accepted.

Motion unanimously carried.

SUPPLEMENTAL CONTACT

Mr. Rivers recommended the board approve offering a contract or Melissa Megli as concessions coordinator.

Kenny Sowers moved and Brett Jurging seconded the motion that the concessions coordinator contract be offered to Melissa Megli.

Motion unanimously carried.

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ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, President Nelson adjourned the meeting at 8:50 p.m..

JEREMY NELSON, PRESIDENT
BOARD OF EDUCATION

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