

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION
OF DISTRICT 497, HELD IN THE LAWRENCE PUBLIC SCHOOLS
INTERACTIVE TECHNOLOGY CENTER,
EDUCATIONAL SUPPORT AND DISTRIBUTION CENTER,
110 McDONALD DRIVE, IN THE CITY OF LAWRENCE**

May 23, 2016

CALL TO ORDER

At 7 p.m., Board President Vanessa Sanburn called to order the regular meeting of the Board of Education.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Upon a motion by Shannon Kimball, seconded by Marcel Harmon, the board voted, in a unanimous voice vote, to approve the agenda as published.

ROLL CALL

<u>Board Members Present</u>	<u>SAT Members Present</u>
Vanessa Sanburn, president	Rick Doll, superintendent
Marcel Harmon, vice president	Kyle Hayden, assistant superintendent
Kris Adair	business & operations
Jessica Beeson	Angelique Nedved, assistant superintendent,
Jill Fincher	teaching & learning
Rick Ingram	Jerri Kemble, assistant superintendent,
Shannon Kimball	educational programs & technology
	Julie Boyle, director, communications
	Janice Dunn, clerk

<u>Others Present (Including Administration and Staff)</u>			
Charlotte Anderson	Ekatgrina Barybina	Ashley Beason-Mames	
Sarah Bloxsom	Christina Brumfield	Randall Brumfield	Matt Brungardt
Leslie Campbell	Stephanie Coleman	David Cunningham	Carl Edwards
Shari Flakus	Danira Flores	Scott Forkenbrock	GR Gordon-Ross
Jenny Gorup	Myron Graber	Kelly Hart	Shane Heiman
Anna Heinritz	Jenny Humburg	Kathy Johnson	Dena Johnston
June Lansing	Terry Leatherman	Hayley Lindemyer	Ron May
Craig McCauley	Danica Moore	Sarabeth Morgan	Jeff Morrison
Paula Murrish	Linda Prokop	Alivia Rapp	Robert Rapp
Sandy Rapp	Kathy Robinson	Stan Roth	Gary Schmidt
Lila Schwarz	Rob Schwarz	Carol Souders	Anna Stubblefield
Sylvia Trevino-Maack	Elisa Trujillo	José Trujillo	Rochelle Valverde
Amelia Vasquez	Gail Vick	Scott Wagner	Jennifer Williams
Cheng Yang	Lisa Yang		

SPECIAL RECOGNITION

Fair Housing Poster & Art Contest Winners

Scott Wagner, management analyst, City of Lawrence Human Relations Commission, recognized the top winners in each grade level in the 2016 Fair Housing Poster and Art Contest. He stated that the goal of the competition is to raise awareness of local and federal fair housing laws among all Lawrence school children and their families.

Winners were introduced as follow:

High School: *Elisa Trujillo, Ella Blake, Sam Dykes* (Lawrence High, 12th grade)

Middle School: *Vivian Moriarty* (Liberty Memorial Central, 6th grade), *Alivia Rapp* (South, 8th grade), *Avery Willett* (Liberty Memorial Central, 6th grade)

Elementary School: *Stella Holland, Claire Schmidt, Kaylee Clancy* (Langston Hughes, 2nd grade)

Pre-Kindergarten: *June Lansing* (Kennedy), *Hayley Lindemyer* (Kennedy)

It was noted that the Lawrence-Douglas County Housing Authority, USD 497, and Consumer and Credit Counseling, Inc. partner with the City of Lawrence to coordinate the contest in recognition of April as Fair Housing Month.

Lawrence Schools Foundation 2016 Award & Grant Recipients

Dena Johnston, executive director, reported that the Lawrence Schools Foundation provides innovative teaching-learning opportunities and recognition of teachers each year through various awards and grants.

She recognized recipients of 2016 Innovative Teaching Grants as follow:

Stephanie Coleman, South – The Global Harmony Game

Jeff Morrison, Anna Heinritz, representing all elementary schools – Empowering Invention & Innovation

Kathy Robinson, New York – Video Library for Math & Reading

Sylvia Trevino-Maack, Lawrence High – Yoga & Mindfulness Club Equipment & Supplies

Jennifer Williams, Langston Hughes – Dash & Dot Robotics

Jenny Gorup, Quail Run – KIBO Robot Kit

Christina Brumfield, Hillcrest – Adding the “T” in STEAM in our Maker Space

Shari Flakus, South – DSLR Cameras for Electronic Media

Stephanie Cole, representing South seventh-grade core team teachers – The Genius Project

It was noted that 23 applications were received this year for innovative teaching grants, and 12 grants totaling \$23,100 were awarded.

Jenny Humburg, kindergarten teacher at Deerfield, and *Carol Souders*, seventh-grade social studies and English language arts teacher at Liberty Memorial Central, were recognized as Golden Apple Award winners.

Liberty Memorial Central Middle School was recognized as the winner of the 2016 LEAP All Star Award.

Scott Forkenbrock, computer and media teacher at Liberty Memorial Central Middle School, was recognized as the 2016 BOBs Excellence in Teaching Award winner.

RECOGNITION OF AUDIENCE

President Sanburn asked for public comment on any item not included on the agenda.

Recognition of Audience (Continued)

Amelia Vasquez and Lisa Yang, eighth-grade students at South Middle School, asked the Board of Education to dedicate a portion of their school’s 2016-17 budget to the purchase of plastic lunch trays. They reported that the disposable plastics currently being used can cause health concerns to humans and animals and create a great deal of waste. They encouraged the use of plastic trays at every school in the district.

APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

Following a motion by Marcel Harmon, seconded by Shannon Kimball, the board voted, in a 7-0 roll call vote, to adopt the items listed on the consent agenda including the amended enclosure for Contract for Main Gymnasium Renovation Project – West.

The consent agenda included the following:

- The minutes of the May 9, 2016 regular meeting
- Financial reports including school activity funds, budget to actual, cash summary
- The May 23, 2016 personnel report
- The monthly vouchers in the following account totals:

Fund	Amount
General	\$ 506,824.60
Local Option Budget	183,507.22
Food Service	87,731.26
Vocational Education	4,040.05
Special Education	314,668.30
Capital Outlay	191,241.26
Health Fund	1,974.40
Virtual School	154,288.78
Professional Development	15,443.50
Bilingual Fund	674.04
Student Materials Revolve	31,220.72
Contingency Reserve	427.20
2013 Bonds	48,149.54
Title I 2016	1,499.40
Indian Educ Title 2016	123.47
Johnson O’Malley 2016	137.75
Title III ESL 2016	15,311.90
Carl Perkins 2016	5,215.03
Title VIBDIS 2016	20.00
KMSG Middle School 2016	1,740.00
Payroll Fund	402,567.72
Johnson O’Malley InEd 2015	100.00
Spectra-Medicaid	3,874.57
KFH Healthy Living 2015	344.11
Wellness Farm to School Local	1,713.60
Health Dept CDRRSG 2015	164.00
Health Dept CDRRSG 2016	2,469.23
Loc/Don/Gra	5,971.27
Memorial/Scholarship	400.00
TOTAL	\$1,981,842.92

Approval of Consent Agenda (Continued)

- Approvals of the following:
 - Contract for Main Gymnasium Renovation Project – West (See Attachment No. 1)
 - FLVS Global School Curriculum Overage – Lawrence Virtual School
 - Fuel Education Contract Renewal for 2016-17 School Year – Lawrence Virtual School
 - Renewal of Odysseyware Licenses for 2016-17 School Year & Purchase of 2016 Summer School Licenses
 - FY2017 Carl D. Perkins Career & Technical Education Improvement Act Grant
 - Transfer of Summer School Funds to General Fund
 - Purchase of Equipment for New 2016-17 Blended Learning Classrooms
 - Annual Renewal of Microsoft Licenses

On behalf of the Board of Education, Vice President Marcel Harmon acknowledged and expressed sincere appreciation to the following:

...*Jeannette Collins* for her 19 years of service and devotion to this community and its schools upon her retirement effective May 27, 2016.

REPORT OF BOARD PRESIDENT VANESSA SANBURN

There was no report.

REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT RICK DOLL

- Superintendent Rick Doll extended congratulations to 12 Project Search graduates and 68 Lawrence Virtual School graduates who were recognized during their respective ceremonies last week and over the weekend.
- Superintendent Doll reported that 700 students will be recognized during Free State High's graduation on Tuesday, May 24, at 7 p.m.; the Community Transition or C-Tran program's ceremony at 10 a.m. on Wednesday, May 25; and Lawrence High's graduation on Wednesday, May 25, at 7 p.m. He noted that in the event of inclement weather, a decision will be announced by 1 p.m. on Tuesday or Wednesday to move either of the high school ceremonies indoors to Allen Fieldhouse, where doors will open at 5 p.m.
- Dr. Doll reported that the Adult Education Services graduation will take place on June 2, at South Middle School, starting at 7 p.m. He stated that almost 80 students have either earned their high school diploma or GED this year through the Adult Education Center.
- He noted that copies of the district's May newsletter are available, saying that this issue with the district's health and wellness goals as a theme was inserted into Sunday's newspaper.

BOARD COMMENTARY

Rick Ingram

...stated that board members received an email from the parent of a child who is a few credits short of the graduation requirements but would like for the student to be able to go through the Lawrence High graduation ceremony. He said there is no board policy in regard to this. Mr. Ingram encouraged board members and Lawrence High administration to grant an exception in this case, saying the student has a lot of significant problems and no harm would be done by letting her participate.

REPORTS

RSP & Associates Enrollment Report

Rob Schwarz, chief executive officer, RSP & Associates, presented information in regard to enrollment and demographics that will assist USD 497 in planning for the future. He reported the following:

- Enrollment is projected to increase by approximately 240 students over the next five years with an average of +48 students per year.
- New residential development will continue at or near the average rate experienced over the last several years and is concentrated largely in the northwest portion of the city. The areas west of K-10 and south of the Wakarusa River will need to be monitored closely.
- Capacity is currently adequate districtwide; however, projected enrollment will exceed post-bond issue construction capacity at Langston Hughes Elementary School in the 2020-21 school year and at Free State High School in 2018-19 and again in 2020-21.

Mr. Schwarz shared various maps and graphs utilized in forecasting accurate development, demographic and population trends that affect enrollment. He reported that elementary and high school enrollments are projected to increase by 7% and middle school enrollment is projected to increase by 4% by the 2020-21 school year.

It was noted that the Boundary Advisory Committee met earlier in the evening and plans to begin discussions next year in regard to school boundaries.

Update on Learning Forward/Future Ready Initiative

Jerri Kemble, assistant superintendent, educational programs and technology, reported on the continued work the district is doing in preparation for the roll out of iPads to middle school students for the 2016-17 school year. She noted that since the last meeting, teacher devices have been deployed, student surveys have been conducted at both the middle and high school levels to determine Wi-Fi access, and continued research is being done to find a reduced rate for Wi-Fi access for families who need it. In addition, a communication map has been created to ensure that all stakeholders are well informed about the process as well as a SLACK site for teachers, administration and board members to continue to communicate over the summer. Ms. Kemble also reported that the district is working with the University of Kansas on an external evaluation of the Learning Forward/Future Ready initiative.

In preparation for the roll out of iPads to middle school students, Craig McCauley, music teacher at West Middle School and member of the Middle School Learning Forward, Future Ready Team, reported that team members have met to help make decisions in regard to selection of initial applications, FAQs, personalization, recycling, digital citizenship, device deployment, social media, parent nights, acceptable use policy and consequences/spares. He said that teachers in different departments have specifically been engaged to confirm that the use of iPad technology will enhance teaching and learning in their classrooms.

In preparation to make a decision in regard to the device recommendation at the high school level, a Digital Device Task Force, made up of administration and staff members from both high schools, was created. Task force members, Matt Brungardt, principal, Lawrence High School; Charlotte Anderson, library media specialist, Lawrence High School; Leslie Campbell, library media specialist, Free State High School; and Myron Graber, principal, Free State High School, reported on learning goals, site visits to schools and businesses, staff development, and a pilot program to test devices.

Report ~ Update on Learning Forward/Future Ready Initiative (Continued)

It was reported that eight teachers at each high school will participate in a program starting in the fall to field-test the iPad and MacBook in their classrooms. Free State High School will utilize the iPad and Lawrence High will utilize the MacBook for the first quarter, then the devices will be switched for the second quarter. An evaluation rubric is being developed to gather feedback from staff and students. After the feedback has been tallied, it will be presented to the task force in January 2017, then a device recommendation will be made to the Board of Education to begin the 1:1 initiative at the high schools.

OLD BUSINESS

There were no items of old business.

NEW BUSINESS

There were no items of new business.

ADJOURNMENT

At 8:41 p.m., a motion was made by Shannon Kimball, seconded by Rick Ingram, to adjourn the regular meeting of the Board of Education. The motion passed by a unanimous voice vote.

Janice E. Dunn
Clerk, Board of Education

To: Board of Education

From: Kyle Hayden, assistant superintendent, business & operations, ext. 4309
Tony Barron, director, facilities & operations, ext. 1643

Re: Contract for Main Gymnasium Renovation Project – West

Date: May 19, 2016 (Amended May 23, 2016)

Background:

At its February 22, 2016 meeting, the Board of Education was presented with and approved the Capital Improvement Project list. The renovation of the main gymnasium at West Middle School was part of this plan. Renovation includes removal and replacement of existing gymnasium floor, painting the gymnasium walls, replacement of wall padding, addition of retractable volleyball standards and replacement of two retractable basketball goals.

Bids and Specifications:

The specifications were aligned to meet the safety and needs of particular areas within the district. BG Consultants was hired for the development of project specifications, design, and construction administration services. During specification and design development, West Middle School administration, staff, and coaches were consulted.

The request for bids was distributed to multiple local and regional vendors, and the bids are as follow:

	Base Bid	Alt. #1	Alt. #3
First Construction	\$559,000	\$3,950	\$12,100
B.A. Green	\$568,350	\$5,250	\$16,600
RF Benchmark Construction	\$584,600	\$3,880	\$13,100
DF Osborne Construction	\$617,600	\$4,000	\$14,000

The low base bid and alternates #1 and #3 with First Construction were accepted. Due to the budget and concerns in regard to time constraints, the mechanical replacements were removed from this project.

The revised Guaranteed Maximum Price (GMP) for this project is \$478,103. This price includes a 5% contingency for unforeseen costs and excludes the mechanical replacement.

Recommendation:

Administration recommends board approval of a contract with First Construction in the amount of \$478,103 for the West Middle School main gymnasium renovation.

Motion:

"I move the Board of Education approve a contract with First Construction in the amount of \$478,103 for the West Middle School main gymnasium renovation."