

OBERLIN UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 294  
BOARD OF EDUCATION  
REGULAR MEETING

OBERLIN, KANSAS

NOVEMBER 14, 2016

The Board of Education of Unified School District 294 met  
in Regular Session, Monday, November 14, 2016.

REGULAR  
SESSION

The meeting was held at the Administrative Center,  
131 East Commercial, Oberlin, Kansas 67749.

President Monte Moore presided and called the meeting  
to order at 6:30 P.M.

PRESIDING

Board Members Present:     Doug Brown  
                                   Dan Grafel  
                                   Abby Hissong  
                                   Roger May  
                                   Monte Moore  
                                   Dan Wasson  
                                   Tucker Woolsey

BOARD  
MEMBERS  
PRESENT

Board Members Absent:     None

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MEMBERS  
ABSENT

Others Attending:     Duane Dorshorst, Superintendent  
                                   Benjamin Jimenez, DCJ/SHS  
  Principal  
                                   Luke Koerperich, DCHS Student  
                                   Tristen Davis, DCHS Student  
                                   Joe Dreher, DCJ/SHS Instructor and AD  
                                   Brian Thompson, Mapes and Miller CPA  
  Audit Firm  
                                   Jeff Juenemann, DCHS Student  
                                   Gatlin Hissong, DCHS Student  
                                   Quinton Cook, DCHS Student  
                                   Tabor Erickson, DCHS Student

OTHERS  
ATTENDING

Cynthia Haynes, Reporter, Oberlin Herald  
Vickie Lippelmann, Clerk, Board of Education

There was no Public Forum this evening.

During Board Forum, Abby Hissong shared a video on what grants from the Hansen Foundation Local Grant Committee (Grow Decatur County Foundation) has provided in improvements in Decatur County. Several DCHS students and Mrs. Scott produced the video.

(Roger May arrived at the meeting at 6:35 P.M.)

Moved by Doug Brown and seconded by Abby Hissong to  
adopt the agenda with the following changes.

MOTION  
Adopt  
Agenda

Consent Agenda Items—

Add—

3. Resignation—Carolyn Shirley, custodian
4. Melissa Mathews—assistant senior high girls basketball coach

Action Items—

Delete—

H. Ratify Negotiated Agreement

Add—

- H. Intent to Retire (A)
- I. Superintendent Search (A)

Item XIII—

Add—

An executive session to discuss negotiations (A)

Voted on and carried unanimously, 7-0.

Superintendent Dorshorst reviewed financial reports.

2016-2017 board goals were reviewed. Superintendent Dorshorst reported on the following:

- \*Girls Cross Country Team participated at State
- \*Math Relay Team participated in Hays and were awarded 4<sup>th</sup> place overall
- \*The musical “Pippin” was presented this past weekend, and was very well Done

Consent Agenda Items were reviewed for approval:

- \*Minutes of the October 10, 2016, regular meeting
- \*Payment of bills as presented (form signed by attending board members)
- \*Accepted resignation from Carolyn Shirley, custodian
- \*Employed Melissa Mathews as the senior high assistant girls Basketball coach

Moved by Dan Wasson and seconded by Dan Grafel to approve the consent agenda as presented.

MOTION  
Approve  
Consent Agenda

Voted on and carried unanimously, 7-0.

There were no annual agenda items or reports this evening.

The following DCHS students were present to request waivers from the speech class credit required for graduation. (Attachment 11-1)

- \*Luke Koerperich—requesting waiver by competing on the DCHS Speech Team

Moved by Abby Hissong and seconded by Roger May to grant the request from Luke Koerperich to waive the required speech class requirement for graduation by his participation on the competitive speech team.

MOTION  
Grant  
Speech  
Class Waiver

Voted on and carried unanimously, 7-0.

- \*Tristen Davis—requesting waiver by completing the speech class offered through the college outreach program

Moved by Tucker Woolsey and seconded by Dan Grafel to grant the request from Tristen Davis to waive the required speech class requirement for graduation by completing the college speech class.

MOTION  
Grant  
Speech  
Class Waiver

Voted on and carried unanimously, 7-0.

- \*Quinton Cook-- requesting waiver by completing the speech class offered through the college outreach program

Moved by Doug Brown and seconded by Roger May to grant the request from Quinton Cook to waive the required speech class requirement for graduation by completing the college speech class.

MOTION  
Grant  
Speech  
Class Waiver

Voted on and carried unanimously, 7-0.

\*Jeff Juenemann-- requesting waiver by completing the speech class offered through the college outreach program

Moved by Abby Hissong and seconded by Doug Brown to grant the request from Jeff Juenemann to waive the required speech class requirement for graduation by completing the college speech class.

MOTION  
Grant  
Speech  
Class Waiver

Voted on and carried unanimously, 7-0.

\*Tabor Erickson-- requesting waiver by completing the speech class offered through the college outreach program

Moved by Tucker Woolsey and seconded by Roger May to grant the request from Tabor Erickson to waive the required speech class requirement for graduation by completing the college speech class.

MOTION  
Grant  
Speech  
Class Waiver

Voted on and carried unanimously, 7-0.

\*Gatlin Hissong—requesting waiver by completing the speech class offered Through the college outreach program

Moved by Dan Wasson and seconded by Tucker Woolsey to grant the request from Gatlin Hissong to waive the required speech class requirement for graduation by completing the college speech class.

MOTION  
Grant  
Speech  
Class Waiver

Voted on and carried unanimously, 7-0.

(Luke Koerperich, Tristen Davis, Quinton Cook, Jeff Juenemann, Tabor Erickson, and Gatlin Hissong left the meeting at 6:52 P.M.)

Brian Thompson, from the audit firm of Mapes and Miller, presented and reviewed the audit findings for Fiscal Year 2016. Following the review, Mr. Thompson is requesting board permission to file all appropriate reports to complete the 2016 fiscal audit.

(Attachment 11-2)

Moved by Dan Wasson and seconded by Dan Grafel to accept the audit report for fiscal year 2016 as presented by Brian Thompson, and grant permission for Mr. Thompson to file all appropriate reports to complete fiscal audit.

MOTION  
Accept FY16  
Audit Report

Voted on and carried unanimously, 7-0.

(Brian Thompson left the meeting at 7:03 P.M.)

Dan Wasson will be attending the 2016 KASB State Convention in December in Wichita. The board selected Mr. Wasson as the district's voting delegate at the convention.

Moved by Abby Hissong and seconded by Doug Brown to select Dan Wasson as the voting delegate for USD 294 at the State Convention in December. MOTION  
Select  
Voting Delegate

Voted on and carried unanimously, 7-0.

The board reviewed the KASB issues that will be voted on by the Delegate Assembly at the State Convention in December. Following reviewing the issues, it is recommended to give the voting delegate the authority to vote at his discretion and in the best interest of the district. (Attachment 11-3)

Moved by Dan Grafel and seconded by Tucker Woolsey to authorize the voting delegate to vote at his discretion and in the best interest of the district as discussed. MOTION  
Direct  
Voting  
Delegate

Voted on and carried unanimously, 7-0.

Superintendent Dorshorst and Principal Jimenez provided information on a donation received from Bargain Box+ in the amount of \$1,000. The donation is designated for the junior high and senior high bands.

Moved by Doug Brown and seconded by Roger May to accept the Donation from Bargain Box + in the amount of \$1,000 designated to be used for the junior high and senior high bands. MOTION  
Accept  
Donation

Voted on and carried unanimously, 7-0.

Superintendent Dorshorst provided information regarding the scholarship money from the Flora Elizabeth Bouts Edwards estate to establish a scholarship fund for DCJ/SHS students. A check in the amount of \$561,760 was received. There are several stipulations in creating the scholarship.

- \*investment of the principal amount
- \*interest earned to be used for the scholarships
- \*scholarships are to be one year, nonrenewable

Moved by Roger May and seconded by Abby Hissong to accept the gift of \$561,760 from the Flora Elizabeth Bouts Edwards estate to establish a scholarship fund for DCJ/SHS students. MOTION  
Accept Gift  
For Scholarship

Voted on and carried unanimously, 7-0.

Superintendent Dorshorst provided information on how best to establish a scholarship fund for the Flora Elizabeth Bouts Edwards gift. Superintendent Dorshorst provided two options—investing the funds in the Greater Salina Community Foundation and have the foundation administer the scholarships or place the money in a CD in one of the local banks. Investing in the Salina Foundation provides a greater interest rate than a CD. Following discussion, the board would like additional information prior to committing the investment.

- \*be sure the investment is transportable if the funds would need to be moved
- \*determine a reasonable amount of time for committing the funds
- \*if a penalty is assessed if the funds were transported to another financial business

Moved by Roger May and seconded by Doug Brown to have Superintendent Dorshorst obtain additional information from the Greater Salina Community Foundation prior to committing the Flora Elizabeth Bouts Edwards scholarship funds in the foundation.

MOTION  
Placement of  
Scholarship  
Funds

Voted on and carried unanimously, 7-0.

Action Item H—Ratify Negotiated Agreement was deleted from the agenda prior to adoption.

President Moore read a letter from Duane Dorshorst stating his intent to retire effective June 30, 2017. (Attachment 11-4)

Moved by Dan Grafel and seconded by Tucker Woolsey to accept Duane Dorshorst's letter of intent to retire effective June 30, 2017.

MOTION  
Accept  
Letter of  
Intent to  
Retiree

Voted on and carried unanimously, 7-0.

Superintendent Dorshorst provided several superintendent search agencies for the board to consider for the superintendent's search. Suggested were:

- \*Kansas Association of School Boards
- \*McPherson and Jacobson at professional organization
- \*Southwest Plains Regional Service Center

Superintendent Dorshorst recommends using Kansas Association of School Boards and Gary Secrist to lead the search.

The board discussed establishing a special meeting for the purpose of planning the search for a new superintendent. The board will meet with Gary Secrist to discuss plans.

Following discussion, it is recommended the meeting be held on Monday, November 28, at 6:30 P.M

Moved by Dan Grafel and seconded by Abby Hissong to use the superintendent search services of the Kansas Association of School Boards in the upcoming search for a new superintendent, as recommended, and establish Monday, November 28 at 6:30 PM to begin planning the search for the new superintendent with Gary Secrist.

MOTION  
Select  
Superintendent  
Search Agency  
and Establish  
Special Meeting

Voted on and carried unanimously, 7-0.

Items for future board meetings were reviewed:

Negotiations for 2016-2017

Principals reports on non-tenured certified personnel for December

Site Council reports for January

During Superintendent's Forum, Superintendent Dorshorst provided information on the following:

\*Reported that Brenda Breth, Sheila Jansonius, Benjamin Jimenez, and Superintendent Dorshorst attended the Quarter 2 Training on accreditation

Board member workshop opportunities were discussed:

KASB Annual Conference, December 2, 3, and 4, Wichita

Governmental Relations Conference, January 12, Topeka

Negotiations Workshop, April 13, Oakley

School Law Roundup, June, 2017

Moved by Abby Hissong and seconded by Doug Brown to go into a 5 minute executive session for the purpose of discussing matters relating to employer-employee negotiations and return to open session at 7:37 P.M., with Superintendent Dorshorst in attendance.

MOTION  
Executive  
Session

Voted on and carried unanimously, 7-0.

President Moore called the meeting back into open session at 7:37 P.M.

Moved by Dan Grafel and seconded by Roger May to go into a 10 minute executive session to protect the privacy rights of identifiable, nonelected personnel and return to open session at

MOTION  
Executive  
Session

7:49 P.M., with Superintendent Dorshorst in attendance.

Voted on and carried unanimously, 7-0.

President Moore called the meeting back into open session at 7:49 P.M.

(Principal Jimenez and Joe Dreher left the meeting at 7:50 P.M.)

Moved by Tucker Woolsey and seconded by Doug Brown to go a 10 minute executive session to protect the privacy right of identifiable, nonelected personnel and return to open session at 8:00 P.M., with just the board in attendance.

MOTION  
Executive  
Session

Voted on and carried unanimously, 7-0.

President Moore called the meeting back into open session at 8:00 P.M.

Moved by Tucker Woolsey and seconded by Doug Brown to go a 5 minute executive session to protect the privacy right of identifiable, nonelected personnel and return to open session at 8:05 P.M., with just the board in attendance.

MOTION  
Executive  
Session

Voted on and carried unanimously, 7-0.

President Moore called the meeting back into open session at 8:05 P.M.

Moved by Tucker Woolsey and seconded by Doug Brown to go a 5 minute executive session to protect the privacy right of identifiable, nonelected personnel and return to open session at 8:10 P.M., with just the board in attendance.

MOTION  
Executive  
Session

Voted on and carried unanimously, 7-0.

President Moore called the meeting back into open session at 8:10 P.M.

Moved by Tucker Woolsey and seconded by Doug Brown to go a 5 minute executive session to protect the privacy right of identifiable, nonelected personnel and return to open session at 8:15 P.M., with just the board in attendance.

MOTION  
Executive  
Session

Voted on and carried unanimously, 7-0.



President Moore called the meeting back into open session at 8:15 P.M.

Moved by Tucker Woolsey and seconded by Doug Brown to go a 5 minute executive session to protect the privacy right of identifiable, nonelected personnel and return to open session at 8:20 P.M., with just the board in attendance.

MOTION  
Executive  
Session

Voted on and carried unanimously, 7-0.

President Moore called the meeting back into open session at 8:20 P.M.

Moved by Dan Grafel and seconded by Doug Brown to adjourn the meeting.

MOTION  
Adjournment

Voted on and carried unanimously, 7-0.

Meeting adjourned at 8:21 P.M.

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Vickie Lippelmann, Clerk, Board of Education

Date : \_\_\_\_\_

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President, Board of Education