

SABETHA UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 441
1619 S. OLD HWY 75
SABETHA, KS 66534
BOE OFFICE
MINUTES REGULAR MEETING, Monday, March 1, 2010 7:00 PM.

President Roger Brockhoff called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM. Roger Brockhoff, Klinton Beyer, Sandy Aberle, Cheryl Wenger, Steve Plattner, Ken Stallbaumer, and Ed Reznicek were present; also present were Superintendent, Dennis Stones, Board Clerk, Dr. Volora Hanzlicek and others who are listed on the attached sheet that becomes a part of these minutes.

Mr. Brockhoff edited item # 10 to be an action item – Enter Executive session to protect the rights of a student attending Project Plus.

Consent Agenda:

- A. Approve minutes February 1, 2010 regular meeting.
- B. Hear Clerk's report. Approve it.
- C. Approve payment of bills for the amount of \$277,835.07.
- D. Payment of February payroll in the amount of \$529,021.65.
- E. Resignations:
 - Diana Richey – Feb. 19, 2010 Sabetha Cook
 - Kristina Rice – April 7, 2010 – WAC part-time Secretary
- F. Contracts:
 - Lori Tinklin – Sabetha Cook

A motion was made by Sandy Aberle and 2nd by Cheryl Wenger to approve opening business and the consent agenda as amended. Motion carried 7-0.

Jay Gilliland was present to share the good news for the month.

Principals (David Schmitz, Tom Palmer, and Matt Garber) gave the building reports and Mr. Stones reviewed the current snow day policy. He then asked the board for guidance on administering the policy due to the additional snow day on Feb. 22. He stated that the day could be forgiven and we would still be within the 1116 hours. Consensus of the board was to forgive the day at this point unless we have more snow days and have to revisit the issue.

Legislative Update - The districts could still see cuts yet this year Stones stated. Based on state estimates our district could see an additional \$120,000 this year (\$83.00 per FTE). If the \$83.00 would be cut, this would be approximately \$457,000 that has been cut from the district over the past few years. At this point, the budget next year will probably see additional cuts. Mr. Stones explained the catastrophic aid bill and told the board that it could cost the district an additional \$20,000 if one of the versions would pass. There are three versions and Mr. Stones suggested that the board be aware and watch these bills. The consolidation bill is still live but has had many attachments that have changed the face of the bill.

Three board members from 441 met with three board members from 488 and their superintendents respectively on Feb. 25th to continue the discussion on consolidation. An estimate had been prepared by Ken Kickhaefer and Associates to estimate how the consolidation might affect patron taxes. The

estimates indicate a tax savings to patrons. Then on the 26th, Supt. Stones and Supt. Bartkoski met again to further discuss details. Discussion of the board followed and it was the consensus of the board to continue discussion with 488 and continue to gather more information that will be shared with patrons.

Mr. Evans (entered the meeting) gave his principal report. After searching many records from the district's past, he found that the school colors for Sabetha are blue and white. He stated that there had been no mention of what color of blue, however.

No construction update –not much as been accomplished due to weather. The past two construction meetings have been cancelled due to lack of movement.

A motion was made by Sandy Aberle and 2nd by Steve Plattner to approve the Construction Pathway Vocational Curriculum. Motion carried 7-0.

A motion was made by Steve Plattner and 2nd by Ken Stallbaumer to approve the personal leave request from Christine Krebs (SES Field Day) and Dave Remmers (borrowing one day from FY11). Motion carried 7-0.

A motion was made by Ed Reznicek and 2nd by Klint Beyer to approve the Odyssey Field Trip as requested (only expense to district is a substitute for Mrs. Angell). Motion carried 7-0.

At 8:48 PM a motion was made by Sandy Aberle and 2nd by Ed Reznicek to go into executive session for 10 minutes to protect the rights of a student. Mr. Stones and Dr. Hanzlicek were asked to remain in the session. Motion carried 7-0.

At 8:58 PM a motion was made by Ed Reznicek and 2nd by Cheryl Wenger to return to regular session. Motion carried 7-0.

At 8:59 PM a motion was made by Cheryl Wenger and 2nd by Ken Stallbaumer to go into executive session for 20 minutes for non-elected personnel. Mr. Stones and Dr. Hanzlicek were asked to remain in the session. At 9:15 Mr. Palmer was asked to join the session. Motion carried 7-0.

At 9:19 PM a motion was made by Klinton Beyer and 2nd by Sandy Aberle to continue the executive session for non-elected personnel for 10 minutes. At 9:24 PM, Matt Garber, David Schmitz, and Todd Evans were asked to join the executive session. Motion carried 7-0.

At 9:29 PM a motion was made by Ken Stallbaumer and 2nd by Cheryl to return to regular session. Motion carried 7-0.

A question was asked of the principals, what were the highest teacher-student ratios and the lowest teacher-student ratios in their buildings. Discussion followed pertaining to student – teacher ratios.

At 10:00 PM a motion was made by Klinton Beyer and 2nd by Sandy Aberle to adjourn. Motion carried 7-0.

Board President

Clerk of the Board