

**BOARD MEETING MINUTES
UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT 402
AUGUSTA, KANSAS 67010**

A REGULAR MEETING OF UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT 402 BOARD OF EDUCATION WAS HELD NOVEMBER 9, 2015, 6:30 P.M., IN THE ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE, 2345 GREYHOUND DRIVE, AUGUSTA, KANSAS 67010.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT

JIM BROWN:	PRESIDENT	CAREY LEE:	MEMBER
BILL RINKENBAUGH:	V. PRESIDENT*Absent	BOB MCCALLA:	MEMBER
KIM BRAUNGARDT:	MEMBER	LARRY WINTER:	MEMBER
ANDY HALL:	MEMBER		

OTHERS PRESENT: JOHN BLACK, SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS; HOLLY FRANCIS, ASST. SUPERINTENDENT; CONNIE HUMMEL, BOARD OF EDUCATION CLERK; AND BELINDA LARSON, AUGUSTA DAILY GAZETTE

**PRINCIPALS: Donna Zerr
ASST. PRINCIPALS: Absent
ATHLETIC DIRECTOR: Absent**

REGULAR PROCEEDINGS

Mr. Brown opened the regular meeting at 6:30pm.

AGENDA

Mr. Winter made a motion to approve the agenda as printed.

Mr. McCalla provided the second and the motion carried 6-0.

WORD OF PRAYER

Pastor Cale McGruder of the First Southern Baptist Church provided a word of prayer prior to the board meeting.

HIGH SCHOOL PRESENTATION TO THE BOARD

School Counselor, Elizabeth Hamblin and students attending Butler Community College's academies for IT and Public Safety Programs, shared with the Board of Education how students are able to receive job certifications and enough hours to graduate with an Associate's Degree with the college.

RECOGNITION - LESLIE LEWELLEN - BEST PROGRAM (BOOSTING ENGINEERING, SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY)

Students from the High School BEST Program (BOOSTING ENGINEERING, SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY) and Teacher, Leslie Lewellen, were recognized for bringing the BEST Program to the high school and for paving the way for future students to explore engineering, science and technology. The students shared with the board the six-week process for preparing for the competition. They told board members that the program involves marketing, writing, programming, writing codes and building and operating a robot.

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

Before patrons and students share their public comments with the board, Board President, Jim Brown, shared with those in attendance, the ground rules for public input. (See Attached)

Student, Jordyn Spainhower, made comment to Jane Mapes, Secretary at the High School. President, Jim Brown, shared with her that because what she wanted to say to the board, was not going to be allowed due it being a personnel issue.

Student, John George, told board members their voices were not being heard, their point not getting across.

CONSENT ITEMS

Mr. Hall made the motion to approve the consent agenda as printed.

Mr. McCalla provided the second and the motion carried 6-0.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTION REPORT

Holly Francis provided to board members her November Curriculum and Instruction Report.

NEW BUSINESS

KANSAS CANNONS

Mr. Law, Athletic Director, shared with board members, that the district had been approached by the Assistant City Manager and the owner of the NBC Summer Collegiate Baseball Team, to use the district's baseball field this summer. He said there would be approximately 14 games played on the field. Mr. Law told board members the Kansas Cannons have made their summer home at Andover Central and Maize South High in the recent past, but are impressed with our facilities and are interested in relocating. Mr. Law also shared with board members this not only would be an opportunity for the district to showcase their facility, but would also benefit the community and local businesses.

Mr. Law said a formalized agreement is expected soon.

HOMECOMING PARADE 2016 - EARLY DISMISSAL

Mr. Black shared with the board the request once again for early dismissal on Friday of the 2016 Fall Homecoming in order to support the afternoon homecoming parade. He told board members the previous approvals were for a two-year pilot.

After discussion, Mr. Hall made the motion to approve the request for early dismissal on Friday of the 2016 Fall Homecoming in order to support the afternoon homecoming parade.

Mrs. Lee provided the second and the motion carried 6-0.

HOMECOMING COURT SELECTION REPORT

Mr. Law shared with board members that the eligibility of candidates for homecoming king and queen has recently come into question. He shared with board members that the selection of homecoming king and queen had traditionally fallen under the athletic program and different methods had been used in the past. Mr. Law also said in the most recent past, the candidates have been limited to student athletes, not necessarily those in season but students who participate on our athletic teams.

Mr. Law told board members the administration has given the concern due consideration and, beginning this winter, will open homecoming candidates eligibility to all AHS Seniors who are in good standing with the school. He said in addition, a senior student council representative will be placed on each of the nomination committees.

RFP - STUDENT TRANSPORTATION, TRANSPORTATION REPORT RFP

Mr. Black reported to the board information regarding the possibility of completing a Request for Proposal (RFP) for contracting for student transportation. He said reasons being is to explore whether there are any savings by contracting the service and whether there are savings by working with other school districts by working the same contractor.

After discussion, it was decided to wait until Andover completes their RFP process to determine if the our district will complete an RFP. Mr. Black said he should have a report for the board at the December Board Meeting.

API TV COMMERCIAL UPDATE

Mr. Black shared with the board that Augusta Progress, Inc, has asked to assist with TV ads that promote Augusta and the district. The contribution from the district would be \$2,500.00.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

SOFTBALL COMPLEX UPDATE

Mr. Black shared with board members that the contractor for the softball complex is getting quotes for safety/shade canopies. He said this information is needed before completing the concrete footings for the canopies.

BOARD GOALS

Mr. Black shared and reviewed with the Board information related to their goals and the State Board's vision. They also reviewed the SEEK (Systems for Education Enterprise in Kansas).

OTHER

____Mr. Black reminded board members of the upcoming KASB Annual Conference in Wichita on December 4th, 5th and 6th. He asked that if they want to attend, to please contact Connie so she can get those attending, registered.

Mr. Winter- None

Mr. McCalla - None

Mrs. Lee - None

Ms. Braungardt - None

Mr. Hall - None

Mr. Brown reminded board members of the upcoming high school musical play on Friday and Saturday.

ADJOURNMENT

Mrs. Lee made the motion to adjourn the meeting

Mr. McCalla provided the second and the motion carried 6-0.

The meeting adjourned at 8:37pm.

Connie Hummel, Board Clerk
Board of Education