

**USD 263**  
**BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING**  
**January 22, 2024**  
**7:00 P.M.**  
**DISTRICT OFFICES-628 E. MULVANE**  
*unofficial draft*  
**MINUTES**

*\*Please be respectful-No cell phone use or texting during the meeting. Mute or turn off phones.*

**1.0 MEETING OPENING**

**1.1 CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by President Steve Fry with the following members present: Fred Heersche, Destiny Myers, Crystal Smith, Chris Heersche, and Jeff Ellis. Stacy Gear was not present.

Also present: Dr. Jay Ensley, Jeromy Swearingen, Doug Hatfield, Trista Cuthbertson, Debbie White, and Clerk Schifferdecker.

**1.2 ANNOUNCEMENTS BY PRESIDENT**

1.2.1 KASB School Finance 101 February 16, 2024, 9:00 am-noon (online)

**1.3 “GOOD NEWS” BY BOE MEMBERS**

\*Crystal Smith expressed her appreciation for all of the goodies this month.

**1.4 ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS**

1.4.1 Jeromy Swearingen, Mulvane High School Principal, noted that there are home events every night this week. It’s a busy week at MHS.

1.4.2 Trista Cuthbertson, Asst Superintendent, reported that the State Board approved KESA 2.0 which includes four fundamentals: standard alignment, structured literacy, balanced assessments, and quality instruction. On Tuesday, Trista and Glenda Cowell will attend Balanced Assessment training at Orion. Administrators will meet on Feb. 8 to work on our plan. May 2 is our check-in with KSDE. Our admin team will share our work thus far with them. An aligned standards team with representatives from all buildings will meet on February 15<sup>th</sup>.

1.4.3 Dr. Jay Ensley, Superintendent, thanked the transportation and the grounds teams for their work during the recent challenging weather events. Last week’s Council of Superintendents meeting had a lot of great information. Thanks again to the BOE for their work and commitment to our district.

**1.5 MEA REPORT-no report**

**2.0 APPROVE/AMEND AGENDA**

Motion made by Crystal Smith to approve the agenda. Second by Fred Heersche. Motion carried 6-0.

Motion made by Jeff Ellis to approve the amendments to the consent agenda. Second by Destiny Myers. Motion carried 6-0.

**ADD: CONSENT ITEMS:**

**3.3.1 Resignations:**

Lauri Terhune	MMS Careers Teacher (eff 5-21-24)
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**3.3.2 New Hires:**

Destynee Donaldson	MP ParaEducator (eff 1-23-24)
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**3.3.3 Change of Status/Transfer:**

Heather Parrott	MMS Asst Principal (eff 1-17-24)
Brittany Smith	MHS ParaEducator (eff 1-23-24)
Appendix A	

**3.6 Bills:**

Add'l Bills for January-ck #17747-#17757 in the amt of \$9,143.43

**3.0 CONSENT AGENDA**

**3.1 APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MINUTES**

**3.2 FINANCIAL REPORTS**

Clerk & Treasurer Report  
Bank Reconciliation  
Activity Funds Financial Statements

**3.3 ROUTINE PERSONNEL**

**3.3.1 Resignations:**

Alison Strecker	MHS ELA Teacher (eff 5-21-24)
Amy Mundell	Payroll/Benefits Specialist (eff 1-26-24)
Lauri Terhune	MMS Careers Teacher (eff 5-21-24)

**3.3.2 New Hires:**

H Kate Humphrey	MMS Asst Track Coach (eff 1-23-24)
Christina Crowe	Van Driver (eff 1-23-24)
Deidre Voorhis	MHS Cook (eff 1-23-24)
Brittany Shook	Sub Teacher (eff 1-23-24)
Christina Moore	MHS Cook (eff 1-23-24)
Allison Hall	Sub Teacher (eff 1-23-24)
Denise Woods	MHS Asst Cheer Coach (eff 12-14-23)
MacKenzie Cunningham	MMS HN ParaEducator (eff 1-23-24)

	Destynnee Donaldson	MP ParaEducator (eff 1-23-24)
3.3.3	Change of Status/Transfer: Heather Parrott Brittany Smith Appendix A	MMS Asst Principal (eff 1-17-24) MHS ParaEducator (eff 1-23-24)
3.4	PDC TRANSCRIPTS	Alicia King Anna Johnson
3.5	PURCHASE ORDERS OVER LIMIT: None	
3.6	BILLS	\$141,720.02
	Add'l Bills for January-ck #17747-#17757 in the amt of \$9,143.43	
3.7	PAYROLL	\$1,117,293.92
3.8	TRANSFERS	ELL \$347 At-Risk \$157,738 4 yr old At-Risk \$6,911 Vocational \$38,607
3.9	DONATION	None

Motion made by Chris Heersche to approve the consent agenda. Second by Fred Heersche. Motion carried 6-0.

#### **4.0 PATRON TIME**

No patrons were present to speak.

#### **5.0 ACTION ITEMS**

There were no Action Items

#### **6.0 DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS**

##### **6.1 2024 Driver's Education Proposal**

Mr. Swearingen presented a proposal for 2024 summer driver's education. The program will run Mondays-Thursdays, June 3-20 with one class from 8:00-10:15 and a second class from 1:00-3:15. This will allow for approximately 72 student enrollees. The only changes from last year are increases to the classroom instructor fee (\$810) and the driving instructor fee (\$212.16)

Motion made by Jeff Ellis to approve the 2024 summer driver's ed program as described. Destiny Myers. Motion carried 6-0.

##### **6.2 2024 Summer Credit Recovery**

Mr. Swearingen presented the credit recovery proposal for Summer 2024. Program dates are May 28-June 27, Mondays-Thursdays from 8:30-10:30 and 10:30-12:30. No changes from last year.

Motion made by Chris Heersche to approve the 2024 summer credit recovery program as proposed by Mr. Swearingen. Second by Crystal Smith. Motion carried 6-0.

**6.3 MHS JROTC Partnership Proposal**

Dr. Ensley requested permission to approach Derby and begin the process of partnering with them on a JROTC program. Consensus of the board was to allow Dr. Ensley to begin working with Derby.

**7.0 DISCUSSION/REPORT ITEMS**

There were no Discussion/Report Items

**8.0 EXECUTIVE SESSION**

**8.1 Non-Elected Personnel**

At 7:13 p.m., Jeff Ellis moved that the board recess into executive session regarding an employment issue to discuss personnel matters of nonelected personnel pursuant to the Kansas Open Meetings Act to protect the privacy interests of the individual to include the Board only. The board will return to open session in the board meeting room at 7:18 p.m. with possible action to follow. Second by Fred Heersche. Motion carried 6-0.

The BOE came out of executive session at 7:17 p.m.

The Board took a break from 7:17 p.m.-7:18 p.m.

The Board returned to open meeting at 7:18 p.m.

Mr. Fry stated that no action was taken during executive session.

**9.0 ADJOURNMENT**

Motion made by Fred Heersche to adjourn at 7:18 p.m. Second by Jeff Ellis. Motion carried 6-0.

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