

CREST UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 479

May 8th, 2023 Board Meeting Minutes

The regular monthly meeting of the Board of Education of Crest Unified School District #479 was held at the Crest Board Office, Colony, on Monday, May 8th, 2023. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Board President Travis Church.

Roll Call

Board Members Present –

Jason Beckmon, Nathan Beckmon, Travis Church, Kevin Nilges, and Lance Ramsey.

Others – Superintendent Shane Walter, Board Clerk Lynette Prasko, Stephanie Edgerton and Brenda Stephens.

Approval of Agenda –

Preschool was added as E. 6 to the Items of Business. It was moved by Mr. Kevin Nilges and seconded by Mr. Nathan Beckmon to approve the agenda as amended. Vote: 5-0

Approval of Consent Agenda –

It was moved by Mr. Nathan Beckmon and seconded by Mr. Lance Ramsey to approve the consent agenda including the minutes of the April 10th regular board meeting and April 19th special board meeting, bills in the amount of \$457,146.76, Enrollment Report and Budget Status Ledger report. Vote: 5-0

Information Items

ANW Special Education Minutes –

The minutes of the April 12th, 2023 ANW Special Education Cooperative meeting were reviewed.

Superintendent/Principal Report –

Mr. Walter reported the Accreditation Review Council (ARC) has provided our letter of recommendation for KESA Accreditation to the State Board of Education. He also stated that the last day of school is May 11th as a ½ day for students and ½ teacher work day and that Summer School will start May 15th.

Items of Business

Curriculum Presentation / Purchase –

Mr. Walter informed the board that the current elementary curriculum agreement is ending and discussed new curriculum that was being reviewed by the teachers. Mr. Walter asked Mrs. Stephanie Edgerton to explain more to the board about the options they were considering. Mrs. Edgerton discussed the curriculum the teachers had looked at and why they like the enVision Math and Phonological Awareness packages and why they would recommend keeping the current reading program. It was moved by Mr. Nathan Beckmon and seconded by Mr. Jason Beckmon to approve the quote from 95 Percent Group for Phonological Awareness curriculum in the amount of \$7,533.90 and Savvas for EnVision Math curriculum in the amount of \$10,325.39. Vote: 5-0

Summer School –

Mr. Walter updated the board on staffing needs for summer school from May 15th to June 15th (except for Memorial Day) and plans for about 15 students. It will be Monday – Thursday mornings and include breakfast and lunch in the school cafeteria. It was moved by Mr. Nathan Beckmon and seconded by Mr. Jason Beckmon to approve summer school including three teachers, an aide and food service staff. Vote: 5-0

Facility Improvements –

Mr. Walter updated the board on the floor moisture test results. It was moved by Mr. Nathan Beckmon and seconded by Mr. Jason Beckmon to approve changes to the original flooring quote to apply roll-on moisture barrier and replace tile flooring with carpet squares in all hallways, leaving current walk-off carpet for north bus student entrance and with no increase to the original quoted pricing. Vote: 4-1 (Ramsey abstained)

Mr. Walter also discussed the facility expansion bond process timeline and the board asked him to obtain more information from another architect.

Republish Budget –

Mr. Walter stated it has been determined the budget does not need republished so no action was taken.

Surplus Property –

It was moved by Mr. Nathan Beckmon and seconded by Mr. Lance Ramsey to approve the disposal of inoperable shop surplus property per Superintendent Walter's discretion and the disposal of 2002 Bluebird bus via sealed bid. Vote: 5-0

Preschool –

Mr. Walter reviewed the possibility of adding 3-year-olds to Preschool for only in-district or school employee's kids. PreK would be expanded to offer morning and afternoon mixed-age classes with separate PreK transportation. It was moved by Mr. Nathan Beckmon and seconded by Mr. Jason Beckmon to approve 3-year-old preschool as discussed. Vote: 5-0

Resignations –

It was moved by Mr. Nathan Beckmon and seconded by Mr. Lance Ramsey to accept the following resignations:

Heidi Tucker as Middle School English Language Arts Teacher

Tish Hug as Middle School Head Volleyball Coach and Middle School Assistant Girls Basketball Coach

Jay Applegate as Middle School Head Girls Basketball Coach

Kelly Ball as Middle School Assistant Volleyball Coach

Steve Zimmerman as Middle School Head Boys Basketball Coach

Roland Weir as Middle School Head Football Coach and Middle School Assistant Boys Basketball Coach

Vote: 5-0

Negotiations – Executive Session –

Mr. Walter stated there was no additional Negotiations information so no action was taken.

Personnel – Executive Session –

It was moved by Mr. Travis Church and seconded by Mr. Kevin Nilges to enter into executive session for the purpose of discussing district staffing. The reason for the session was the non-elected personnel exemption under KOMA. The meeting was to resume in the board room at 9:10 p.m. Mr. Walter was invited to attend. Vote: 5-0

The open meeting reconvened in the board room at 9:10 p.m. and it was moved by Mr. Travis Church and seconded by Mr. Jason Beckmon to hire:

Abby Hermreck as Summer School Teacher

Brenda Stephens as Summer School Teacher

Anna Allen as Summer School Teacher

Nancy Ellington as Summer School Food Service

Kim Blevins as Summer School Teacher's Aide

Jack White for summer custodian help at \$10.00/hour

Jennifer Blaufuss as High School Cheerleader Sponsor

Vote: 5-0

Adjournment –

It was moved by Mr. Jason Beckmon and seconded by Mr. Nathan Beckmon to adjourn the meeting at 9:14 p.m. Vote: 5-0

Board President

Board Clerk

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