

CREST UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 479

December 9th, 2024 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, December 9th, 2024. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Board President Travis Church.

Roll Call

Board Members Present –

Travis Church, Jamie Henderson, Kevin Nilges, Lance Ramsey and Laura Schmidt. **Board Members**

Absent - Nathan Beckmon and Seth Black

Others Present – Superintendent Shane Walter and Board Clerk Lynette Prasko.

Approval of Agenda –

It was moved by Mr. Kevin Nilges and seconded by Mrs. Laura Schmidt to approve the agenda as presented. Vote: 5-0

Approval of Consent Agenda –

It was moved by Mr. Lance Ramsey and seconded by Mrs. Jamie Henderson to approve the consent agenda including the minutes of the November 11th regular board meeting, bills in the amount of \$400,459.51, Enrollment Report and Budget Expenditure Report. Vote: 5-0

Information Items

ANW Special Education Minutes –

The minutes of the November 13th, 2024 ANW Special Education Cooperative meeting were reviewed.

Superintendent/Principal Report –

Mr. Walter extended a special THANK YOU to Throckmorton-Riser Foundation for the generous \$5,658.86 vocational technical program grant. He also reviewed upcoming events including last day of school before break is on December 20th, Professional Development/Work Day for staff is January 6th, students return January 7th, school Spelling Bee is January 17th and county Spelling Bee is January 31st at Garnett.

Items of Business

KSDE Graduation Requirements –

Mr. Walter discussed the KSDE Graduation Requirements and change to Crest Graduation Requirements for the Class of 2028.

Blue Ribbon Task Force – KSDE Student Screen Time Report –

Mr. Walter discussed the KSDE Blue Ribbon Task Force on Student Screen Time Report. This task force report included recommendations for personal devices in school, screen time and mental health, and parental oversight of district-owned devices.

KESA –

Mr. Walter discussed the KESA accreditation improvement model and Crest's 5-year Strategic Plan.

Board Policy Review –

Mr. Walter discussed the sample Family and Medical Leave Plan and Board Policy updates from KASB.

Facility Improvements –

Mr. Walter updated the board on the bond construction improvements for the school facilities. It was moved by Mr. Kevin Nilges and seconded by Mrs. Jamie Henderson to approve the quote from Loyd Builders for Kaw Valley Engineering, Inc. F24P0651 Construction Materials Testing and Inspection Services in the amount not to exceed \$29,819.10. Vote: 5-0

Resignations –

It was moved by Mrs. Jamie Henderson and seconded by Mrs. Laura Schmidt to accept the resignation of Juan Sanchez as Custodian Helper. Vote: 5-0

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 8:40 p.m. Vote: 5-0
At 8:34 p.m. Mr. Walter was invited to join the executive session.

The open meeting reconvened in the board room at 8:40 p.m. and it was moved by Mr. Kevin Nilges and seconded by Mrs. Jamie Henderson to hire Avery Blaufuss as Custodian Part-Time Helper. Vote: 5-0

Adjournment –

It was moved by Mr. Lance Ramsey and seconded by Mr. Kevin Nilges to adjourn the meeting at 8:42 p.m. Vote: 5-0

Board President

Board Clerk

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