



Key Communicator

District Newsletter

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The Vision and Purpose of Circle USD 375, in partnership with our communities, is to educate each student to be an engaged, knowledgeable, responsible and productive citizen in the 21st Century.

Summary of the Board of Education Meetings

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March 12, 2018

“Expand Your
Potential”

REGULAR MEETING

CALL TO ORDER

President Jared Swilley called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm at the District Administration Office. Those present were board members Jared Swilley, Herb Pello, Janet Varner, Kristy Evans, Ben Whiteside, Nathan White and Kyle Turner. Others present were Superintendent Don Potter, Assistant Superintendent Michael Janzen, Board Clerk Kari Killman and George K Baum & Company Broker Bret Shogren.

Pledge of Allegiance was recited by those in attendance.

PUBLIC COMMUNICATIONS

Mr. Shogren shared with the board a proposal to refund the 2008 General Obligation Bonds and answered questions.

Mr. Janzen thanked COE for the artwork on display in the board room.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

The board approved the agenda as presented.

CONSENT AGENDA

The board approved the consent agenda as presented.

TREASURERS REPORT

The board approved the treasurer’s report as presented.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

Herb Pello updated the board on the Special Education Interlocal 638 meeting held February 26, 2018.

Mr. Nibarger’s development report was shared with the board.

Principal and Athletic Director reports were shared with the board.

SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT

Mr. Potter shared with the board a committee was in the preliminary stages of completing a grant through KSDE for a 4 year old At-Risk preschool program. He stated it possibly would be late July before the grant was approved and expressed concerns with hiring of staff at that time. It was the boards’ consensus to move forward now with the staffing process.

Mr. Potter shared the latest update with school finance and made the board aware to be prepared for late negotiations again this year.

The Curriculum Coordinating Committee (CCC) has narrowed down the K-5 math adoption to 4 curriculum choices and will bring a final recommendation to the May meeting for approval.

Mr. Potter shared the 2018-2019 staffing numbers with the board with the recommendation to add an additional 6th grade teacher at CBE. It was the consensus of the board to move forward with that process.

REFUNDING 2008 SERIES BONDS: RESOLUTION 1718-08

The board approved resolution 1718-08 refunding process of the 2008 Series Bonds.

NEGOTIATIONS LETTER

The board approved the negotiations letter as amended.

TICKET BOOTH

The board approved the bid from El Dorado Building Systems for a ticket booth to be located at the Southeast corner of the stadium.

BUS PURCHASE

The board approved the bid from Midwest Transit for the purchase of a 77 passenger bus.

The transportation department has also applied for a clean air grant, that if awarded will receive a 25% reimbursement towards replacement of a bus.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

The board entered into executive session to discuss an individual employee's performance pursuant to non-elected personnel exception under KOMA.

The board returned to regular open meeting.

PERSONNEL

The board approved the following resignations: Bryan Crom, CGE Custodian; Dakota Donnelley, CGE Custodian; Tonia Donnelley, CTE Food Service; Alyssa Riffel, CTE 5th Grade Educator (effective the end of 2017-2018 contract year).

The board approved the following appointments: LaVanda Bergeson, CBE Food Service; Ali Hill, CMS Asst Track Coach.

The board approved the following transfers: Roxan Olson, CBE Food Service to Transportation Van Driver; Sarah Payne, CBE Custodian to CTI Food Service.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business before the board, President Jared Swilley declared the meeting adjourned at 8:08 pm.