

November 6, 2024

BROWN COUNTY KANSAS SPECIAL EDUCATION INTERLOCAL #615
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MINUTES OF REGULAR BOARD MEETING

November 6, 2024

(These minutes are not official until approved at the December 4, 2024 board meeting.)

The Board of Education of the Brown County Kansas Special Education Interlocal #615 held its regular November Board of Education meeting at 6:00 p.m. on November 6, 2024 at the Special Education Annex in Hiawatha.

CALL TO ORDER

Roni Tietjens called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Those present were:

Becky Shamburg, Director
Jon Boller, USD 430 Board Member
Rex Lockwood, USD 430 Board Member
Shelby Rice, USD 430 Board Member
Ian Schuetz, USD 415 Board Member
Roni Tietjens, USD 415 Board Member
Connie Hale, Supervisor/Coordinator
Leanna Streeter, School Psychologist
Amy Larson, Board Clerk/Business Manager

Those absent were:

Jacquie Spihlmann, USD 415 Board Member

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Jon Boller moved to approve the agenda. Rex Lockwood seconded and the motion passed with a vote of five to zero.

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

Director Shamburg introduced Leanna Streeter, School Psychologist. Director Shamburg, Leanna Streeter, and Lisa Pierce are going to the Special Ed School Law Conference in Omaha directly after the board meeting.

COMMENTS FROM THE PRESIDENT

There were no comments from the president.

APPROVAL OF THE CONSENT AGENDA

Ian Schuetz moved to approve the consent agenda. Shelby Rice seconded and the motion passed with a vote of five to zero. Included in the consent agenda was:

1. Approval of the Minutes of the October 2, 2024 regular board meeting.
2. Approval of the Bills for the month of November 2024.
3. Accept the treasurer's report for the month of November 2024.
4. Revise the status of para De Aun Sanner (Hiawatha Elementary) from full-time to part-time.
5. Approve the hire of paras Laura Rodvelt and Kayla Stalker (Horton Elementary).

CONNIE HALE'S REPORT

- Connie Hale stated that autism referrals remain the same at two referrals.
- Connie Hale stated that the Infant-Toddler referrals have decreased from previous years to seven referrals currently.
- Connie Hale discussed the Registered Teacher Apprentice Program (RTAP) and stated that RTAP apprentice Sherri Nelson is doing a good job at Hiawatha Elementary. Joel Gillaspie, coordinator of the state's RTAP program, will be visiting Sherri Nelson at Hiawatha Elementary in the near future. One application from the South Brown County district, Everest Middle School, is waiting on approval from KSDE.
- Connie Hale stated that she attended an autism conference recently and the biggest trend is the evolving treatments for autism.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

- Director Shamburg discussed the special education board member terms coming up.
- Director Shamburg discussed Mandt training in South Brown County on November 22, 2024.
- Director Shamburg discussed an upcoming zoom call with the KEIT board in which Scott Sachse has already met with Blue Cross/Blue Shield and Aetna. There was discussion that followed.
- Director Shamburg discussed the speech numbers per speech language pathologist. SLPs have standards to follow in which students qualify for speech services. The increase in speech students is happening in other regions as well.
- Director Shamburg met with the superintendents and discussed the concern of the increase in speech numbers. There was much discussion on the SLP caseloads.

EXECUTIVE SESSION TO DISCUSS NON-ELECTED PERSONNEL, NEGOTIATIONS, AND STUDENT PERSONNEL

At 6:19 pm, Ian Schuetz moved to go into executive session for 5 minutes to discuss non-elected personnel, student personnel, and negotiable items as allowed for employer-employee negotiations under KOMA, and reconvene at 6:24 pm. Rex Lockwood seconded and the motion passed with a vote of five to zero. The executive session was necessary to protect the privacy of those individuals discussed, to protect the privacy rights of a student who is identifiable, and to ensure a fair and

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equitable contract. Those present for the executive session were Becky Shamburg, Connie Hale, Jon Boller, Rex Lockwood, Shelby Rice, Ian Schuetz, and Roni Tietjens. At 6:24 pm, Ian Schuetz moved to go into a second executive session for five minutes. Rex Lockwood seconded and the motion passed with a vote of five to zero. Those present for the executive session were Becky Shamburg, Connie Hale, Jon Boller, Rex Lockwood, Shelby Rice, Ian Schuetz, and Roni Tietjens. At 6:29 pm, the board came out of executive session.

POSSIBLE ACTION FOLLOWING EXECUTIVE SESSION

Ian Schuetz moved to approve the 2024-25 Master Agreement as presented. Shelby Rice seconded and the motion passed with a vote of five to zero.

Rex Lockwood moved to approve office raises as presented. Jon Boller seconded and the motion passed with a vote of five to zero.

OTHER

Director Shamburg stated that she, Lisa Pierce, and Leanna Streeter will be in Omaha for the Special Ed Law Conference through the rest of the week.

ADJOURN

Ian Schuetz moved to adjourn the Board meeting. Shelby Rice seconded and the motion passed with a vote of five to zero. The meeting adjourned at 6:34 p.m.

The next regularly scheduled meeting of the BCK-SEI Board of Education will be held at 6:00 p.m. on Wednesday, December 4, 2024 at the Special Education Annex in Hiawatha.

Board		Clerk
_____, President		_____, Clerk
_____, Date		_____, Date