

November 1, 2023

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

November 1, 2023

(These minutes are not official until approved at the December 6, 2023 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 1, 2023 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  
Jeff Brockhoff, USD 415 Board Member  
April Keo, USD 430 Board Member  
Shelby Rice, USD 430 Board Member  
Roni Tietjens, USD 415 Board Member  
Connie Hale, Supervisor/Coordinator  
Amy Larson, Board Clerk

Those absent were:

Laurence Berger, USD 430 Board Member  
Jacquie Spihlmann, USD 415 Board Member

**APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA**

Becky Shamburg requested to add resignation of para Kristina White to the consent agenda.

April Keo moved to approve the agenda with the revision. Jeff Brockhoff seconded and the motion passed with a vote of four to zero.

## **COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC**

There were no comments from the public.

## **COMMENTS FROM THE PRESIDENT**

There were no comments from the president.

## **APPROVAL OF THE CONSENT AGENDA**

Jeff Brockhoff moved to approve the revised consent agenda. Shelby Rice seconded and the motion passed with a vote of four to zero. Included in the consent agenda was:

1. Approval of the Minutes of the October 4, 2023 Regular Board Meeting.
2. Approval of the Bills for the Month of November 2023.
3. Accept the Treasurer's Report for the Month of November 2023.
4. Approve the hire of Jordan Veach as a para at Hiawatha Middle School.
5. Approve the resignations of paras Jennifer Pierce and Kristina White.

## **DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

Director Shamburg reviewed the following with the board members:

- New teacher evaluations are in progress by both Connie Hale and herself.
- Lisa Pierce and she attended Mandt training in October. They will be training Mandt techniques to some Horton staff in November. They will also be training Mandt techniques to some Hiawatha staff in February 2024.
- Lisa Pierce, Meredith Pickert, Connie Hale, and she will be attending the Special Education Law Conference in Omaha the remainder of the week. The law conference is always beneficial.
- The annual director's evaluation is being emailed out a month early to get feedback from current board members. Three new board members will be selected to serve on the board in January, which is normally when the director's evaluation is reviewed with the director.

## **CONNIE HALE'S REPORT**

Connie Hale reviewed the following with the board members:

- She has had four behavior referrals and they are ongoing.
- The autism team attended training in Wichita last month. They continue to meet each month as a team.
- So far this school year, there have been three autism screenings. There is an autism telemed appointment scheduled in November.
- Of the referrals through tiny-K, the kids that are being referred have significant needs.
- The preschool numbers for Hiawatha ECSE have increased.

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

At 6:16 pm, April Keo moved to go into executive session for 10 minutes to discuss non-elected personnel, student personnel and negotiable items as allowed for employer-employee negotiations under KOMA and reconvene at 6:26 pm. Shelby Rice seconded and the motion passed with a vote of four 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 equitable contract. Those present for the executive session were Becky Shamburg, Connie Hale, Jeff Brockhoff, April Keo, Shelby Rice, and Roni Tietjens. At 6:26 pm, April Keo moved to go into a second 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 6:31 pm. Shelby Rice seconded and the motion passed with a vote of four 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 equitable contract. Those present for the executive session were Becky Shamburg, Connie Hale, Jeff Brockhoff, April Keo, Shelby Rice, and Roni Tietjens. At 6:31 pm, the board came out of executive session.

**POSSIBLE ACTION AFTER EXECUTIVE SESSION**

There was no action following executive session.

**OTHER**

Director Shamburg stated that STYLE will receive two new students with a third student starting in December.

**ADJOURN**

Shelby Rice moved to adjourn the Board meeting. April Keo seconded and the motion passed with a vote of four to zero. The meeting adjourned at 6:38 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 6, 2023 at the Special Education Annex in Hiawatha.

\_\_\_\_\_, Board President \_\_\_\_\_, Clerk  
\_\_\_\_\_, Date \_\_\_\_\_, Date