

**HIAWATHA USD 415
BOARD OF EDUCATION
REGULAR MEETING
JANUARY 13, 2011**

This meeting, originally scheduled for Monday, January 10, was rescheduled to Thursday, January 13 due to inclement weather.

President Becky Shamburg called the meeting to order at 7:30 pm.

A. Call Meeting to Order

Board members present were Denise Elffner, Steve Lock, Pete Rosá, Becky Shamburg, Matt Sprick, Dave Thompson and John Wright. Also present were John Severin, Superintendent; Steve Splichal, Assistant Superintendent; Lesli Grimm, Clerk of the Board; Tom Schmitz, Elementary School Principal; Dave Coufal, Middle School Principal; Alan Jeffery, High School Principal; Dixie Pethoud, Lisa Twombly and Trudy Wischropp, HMS School Improvement Team; Jean Brintrnall, District School Improvement Chairperson; Greg Bebermeyer, KNZA; and Joey May, Hiawatha World.

B. Roll Call

Steve Lock moved and Denise Elffner seconded the motion to approve the agenda, noting that a *New Operating System and Neighborhood Revitalization* would be discussed under *Item P. Other*. The motion passed 7-0.

C. Approval of Agenda

There were no comments from the public.

D. Comments From the Public

President Shamburg reported that she, Steve Lock, Matt Sprick and Dave Thompson have all filed for reelection in the upcoming school board election.

E. Comments From the President

Pete Rosá moved and Dave Thompson seconded the motion to approve the Consent Agenda. The Consent Agenda consisted of the following items: 1. Approval of the Minutes of the December 13, 2010 Regular Board Meeting; 2. Approval of the Check Register, Preliminary Check Register, Addendum to the Preliminary Check Register, Outstanding Purchase Order Detail Report and Credit Card Purchase Logs; 3. Accept the Treasurer's Report for the Month of November 2010; and 4. Accept Contributions. The motion passed 7-0.

F. Consent Agenda

Dixie Pethoud, Lisa Twombly and Trudy Wischropp, HMS School Improvement Team members, presented information on their new school improvement plan.

G. Middle School Presentation on the School Improvement Process

Steve Lock moved and John Wright seconded the motion to approve the curriculum changes for the 2011-2012 school year as presented. The motion passed 7-0.

H. Approve Curriculum Changes for the 2011-2012 School Year

The changes were name changes only for several FACS classes, including Introduction to Human Services, Human Growth and Development, Family Studies and Consumer Education.

John Wright moved and Steve Lock seconded the motion to approve the revised Field Trip Guidelines and Approval Protocol. The motion passed 7-0.

The revision added vocational program activities required by KSDE to Category 1 where the district will cover the cost of transportation.

Matt Sprick moved and Pete Rosá seconded the motion to approve the trip requests as presented. The motion passed 7-0.

The trips approved included 4-State Honor Choir at NWMSU on January 22; Show Choir Festival at NWMSU on February 5; KSU Open House on April 16; State FFA CDE in Manhattan, May 1-3; State FFA Convention in Manhattan, June 1-3; Science Olympiad Tournament in Platte City, MO, January 15; and Science Olympiad Regional Competition at Johnson County Community College on February 26.

Denise Elffner moved and Pete Rosá seconded the motion to approve the revision in the reduced breakfast cost. The motion passed 7-0.

For the remainder of the school year, there will be no charge for breakfasts served to children qualifying for reduced priced meals in order to encourage participation by those students.

Superintendent Severin reviewed possible budget cuts outlined in the Governor's budget. If approved by the legislature, there would be a \$75 per student decrease in state aid for the current school year, followed by an additional \$157 reduction for the 2011-12 school year. For Hiawatha USD 415, it would equate to a \$100,358 reduction for 2010-11 and \$210,066 for 2011-12.

Steve Lock reported that the Special Education Interlocal Board meeting was rescheduled to Tuesday, January 18.

Denise Elffner moved and Dave Thompson seconded the motion to recess to executive session for 40 minutes to discuss non-elected personnel and negotiations. The executive session was necessary to protect the privacy interests of the individual(s) to be discussed and to protect the public interest in negotiating a fair and equitable contract. The motion passed 7-0, and the board recessed to executive session at 8:15 pm. John Severin and Steve Splichal were invited into the executive session. At 8:55 pm, 9:00 pm and 9:10 pm, Elffner moved and Thompson seconded motions to extend the executive session 5 minutes, 10 minutes and 10 minutes, respectively. The motions passed 7-0. Splichal exited the executive session at 9:09 pm. The board returned to regular session at 9:20 pm.

I. Review and Possible Approval of the Revised Field Trip Guidelines and Approval Protocol

J. Approval of Trip Requests Over 45 Miles

K. Discussion and Possible Approval of Revision in the Reduced Breakfast Cost

L. Review of Possible Budget Cuts for the 2010-11 School Year and the 2011-12 School Year

M. Special Education Report

N. Executive Session
1. To Discuss Non-Elected Personnel
2. To Discuss Negotiations

Steve Lock moved and Denise Elffner seconded the motion to give the Superintendent permission to advertise for an 8th Grade English Teacher. The motion passed 7-0.

O. Action Following Executive Session

Matt Sprick moved and John Wright seconded the motion to approve the purchase of a new Microsoft Operating System as outlined in Option 1. The motion passed 7-0.

P. Other

Other items discussed included the possible extension of the Neighborhood Revitalization agreement with Brown County for an additional 5 years, usage fees for school facilities and scheduling of Middle School athletic events.

Matt Sprick moved and John Wright seconded the motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion passed 7-0, and President Shamburg declared the meeting adjourned at 9:52 pm.

Q. Adjournment

President

Clerk