

Board Briefs March 6, 2023

The U.S.D. 409 Board of Education met on Monday, March 6, 2023, at 6:00 p.m. at the Board of Education Office, 626 Commercial Street.

CALL TO ORDER

President Carrie Sowers called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. She welcomed staff and patrons to the meeting.

ORDERING AND APPROVAL OF AGENDA

The Board approved the agenda, as presented.

REPORTS

Lucas Hunziger, Highland Technical Center, provided the following report:

- February is Technology Education Month – held student awards/scholarships reception.
- 45 AHS students have completed the WorkKeys testing.
- Highlight student accomplishments at the local, state and national competition levels.
- A workforce development fair was held at AHS. Over 40 employers in attendance of the workforce development fair.

Jacque Coleman presented a curriculum, instruction and assessment update. Jacque was commended by the Board for her work.

Nichole Honeywell provided an update from the Start Time Change Committee. A district survey was completed by students, staff, parents/guardians, and community members regarding start time changes at the buildings. After survey results were tabulated and lengthy discussions of the Start Time Change Committee, it was the consensus of the committee to table further discussion until later this fall.

PUBLIC COMMENT

No public comments.

CONSENT AGENDA

The Board approved the following items on the consent agenda:

Approved the minutes of the February 13, 2023, regular meeting.

- Approved the Treasurer’s Report, which included the bank reconciliation summary report, monthly cash summary report, year-to-date cash summary report, budget summary of funds, and transfer of funds.
- Approved payment of claims and credit card account statements.
- Approved the Jobs for America’s Graduates (JAG) Partnership Agreement.
- Approved the Maximum Healthcare Agreement.
- Approved the Infinitec Agreement.

ACTION ITEMS

The Board reaffirmed the following policies, as presented:

- Policy IA - Philosophy (reaffirm)
- Policy IB - School Site Councils (reaffirm)
- Policy IC - Educational Program (reaffirm)
- Policy ICA - Pilot Projects (reaffirm)
- Policy ICAA - Teaching Methods (reaffirm)
- Policy ID - Instructional Program (reaffirm)
- Policy IDAA - Special Programs (reaffirm)
- Policy IDAB - Support Programs (revise)
- Policy IDAC - Exceptional Programs (revise)
- Policy IDACA - Special Education Services (revise)
- Policy IDACB - Section 504 Accommodations (reaffirm)
- Policy IDAD - Title I Programs (reaffirm)
- Policy IDAD-R - Title I Programs (reaffirm)
- Policy IDAE - Student Privacy Policy (reaffirm)
- Policy IDAE-R - Student Privacy Policy (reaffirm)

The Board approved the 2024-2025 school calendar.

ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION AND CONSIDERATION

The Board reviewed the following policies as a first reading:

- Policy IDCE - College Classes (reaffirm)
- Policy IDFA - Athletics (reaffirm)
- Policy IE - Instructional Arrangements (reaffirm)
- Policy IEB - Charter Schools (reaffirm)
- Policy IF - Textbook, Instructional Materials (reaffirm)
- Policy IFBH - Outside Speakers (reaffirm)
- Policy IFC - Community Resources (reaffirm)
- Policy IFCB - Field Trips (reaffirm)
- Policy IHA - Grading System (reaffirm)
- Policy IHB - Homework (reaffirm)
- Policy IHEA - Makeup Opportunities (reaffirm)
- Policy IHF - Graduation Requirements (reaffirm)
- Policy II - Educational Testing Program (reaffirm)
- Policy IIA - Performance Based Credits (reaffirm)
- Policy IIBG - Computer and Device Use (reaffirm)

The policies will be brought back to the next meeting for further review and approval.

Lori Lanter presented the maintenance plan, capital outlay projections, and technology hardware equipment plan as a first reading.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 6:50 p.m., Diane Liebsch made the motion, seconded by Sean Crittendon, to go into executive session to discuss the following subjects: employee's employment performances and employment recommendations. The justification for this executive session is: to discuss personnel matters of nonelected personnel pursuant to the non-elected personnel exception under KOMA. The open meeting will resume in the Community Room at 7:05 p.m. The motion passed 7-0.

Superintendent Renee Nugent attended the executive session.

The meeting reconvened at 7:05 p.m.

At 7:05 p.m., Diane Liebsch made the motion, seconded by Sean Crittendon, , to extend executive session to discuss the following subjects: employee's employment performances and employment recommendations. The justification for this executive session is: to discuss personnel matters of nonelected personnel pursuant to the non-elected personnel exception under KOMA. The open meeting will resume in the Community Room at 7:10 p.m. The motion passed 4-0 (Liebsch, Crittendon, Eplee, Sowers).

Superintendent Renee Nugent attended the executive session.

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PERSONNEL

The Board accepted the following **resignations**:

- Delores Kiehl – Part-time Food Service Worker, District, effective May 25, 2023.
- Traci Miller – Speech Language Pathology Assistant, Atchison Elementary School, effective February 1, 2023.
- Amy Siebenmorgen – Enrichment Department Head and Jets Running Club, Atchison Elementary School, effective at the end of the 2022-2023 school year.
- Sarah Brown – Art Teacher, Atchison Middle School, effective at the end of the 2022-2023 school year.
- Chancia Fairley – Family and Consumer Science Teacher, Atchison High School, effective at the end of the 2022-2023 school year.
- Corey Hunt – Paraeducator, Atchison Elementary School, effective March 2, 2023.
- Tracey Boldridge – Paraeducator, Atchison High School, effective March 3, 2023.
- Victoria Bartee – 8th Grade English Teacher, Atchison Middle School, effective at the end of the 2022-2023 school year.
- Allison O'Neal – Custodian, Atchison Middle School, effective February 23, 2023.
- Andrew Lillie – Intermediate Associate Principal, Atchison Elementary School, effective June 30, 2023.

- Sherry Domann – PreK Special Education Teacher, Atchison Elementary School, effective at the end of the 2022-2023 school year.

The Board approved **recommendations for employment (for the 2022-2023 school year)**, as follows:

- Ryan Hurley – Paraeducator, Atchison Middle School, effective February 28, 2023.
- Ernest Bautista – Facilities Assistant Director, District, effective April 3, 2023.
- Katrina Streitenberger – Paraeducator, Atchison Elementary School, effective March 9, 2023.

The Board approved **recommendations for employment (for the 2023-2024 school year)**, as follows:

- Daija Coleman – 5th Grade Teacher, Atchison Elementary School, effective July 1, 2023.
- Charles Stillian – Director of Transportation, District, effective July 1, 2023.
- Leslie Stillian – Teacher, TBD, Atchison Elementary School, effective July 1, 2023.
- Emily (Knapp) Lewman – 7th-12th Social Studies Teacher, Central School, effective July 1, 2023.
- Rusty Willis – High School English Teacher, Atchison High School, effective July 1, 2023

The Board approved the following **Transfers (for the 2023-2024 school year)**, as follows,

- Amy Siebenmorgen – Physical Education Teacher, Atchison Elementary School to Special Education Teacher (Speech Pathology Assistant), Atchison Elementary School, effective July 1, 2023.
- Katelyn Buschbasher – English Teacher, Atchison Middle School to English Teacher, Atchison High School, effective July 1, 2023.
- Lesley Smith – 7th ELA, Atchison Middle School /7th-12th Science Teacher Central School to 7th – 12th Science Teacher Central School, effective July 1, 2023.

The Board approved the following supplemental (for the 2022-2023 school year):

- Matt Hall Golf Coach AHS

The Board approved the following supplemental (for the 2023-2024 school year):

- Kara Soph Enrichment Department Head AES

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Carrie Sowers shared the award that USD 409 received at this past Saturday’s annual Chamber Banquet. The Chamber recognized USD 409 for 155 years of service to the community.

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ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 7:17 p.m.