

Rose Hill Board of Education Minutes of March 20, 2023

Minutes of the regular meeting of the Board of Education of Rose Hill USD 394 held on Monday, March 20, at 6:00 p.m. in the boardroom of the Administrative Center located at 104 N. Rose Hill Road, Rose Hill, Kansas.

These minutes are unofficial until approved by the Board of Education. They will be presented to the Board at the regular meeting on April 10, 2023.

Board Members present: President Heath Wallis, Vice President Jennifer Jackson, Jon Newman, Richard Ringwall, Kylene Roberts, Amy Racchini and Heath Beery.

Others present: Superintendent Randal Chickadonz; Assistant Superintendent Dr. Julie McPherron; Reporter for the Rose Hill Reporter Gina Morgan; Board Clerk Jessica Kocher, Director of Finance Sabrina Dunkin, KASB Attorney Luke Sabba; Bond Committee Presenter Zain Labidi.

President Heath Wallis called the meeting to order at 6:01pm. The

Pledge of Allegiance was led by Amy Racchini.

I. Approval of Agenda

President Heath Wallis recommended to amend the agenda so that VI. Executive Session will begin immediately and added line-item F. to Section IV.- Discussion with Possible Action for the Bond Committee Discussion. Kylene Roberts motioned to approve the agenda as amended, second by Jon Newman.

Motion carried 7 yea (KR, HW, JN, RR, JJ, AR, HB)- 0 nay

VI. Executive Session

A. Attorney-Client Privilege

Jon Newman made a motion, second by Amy Racchini, to go into executive session in the conference room for 30 minutes, beginning at 6:05 p.m. and ending at 6:35 p.m. for consultation with our attorney on a matter protected by the attorney-client privilege, in order to protect the privilege and the board's position in administrative proceedings and that we return to open session in this room at 6:35 p.m. To include Randal Chickadonz and KASB attorney.

Motion carried 7 yea (KR, HW, JN, HB, RR, JJ, AR) - 0 nay.

President Heath Wallis addressed the crowd upon return from Executive Session and stated that because legislature was currently being addressed by the state, the Board will be tabling IV. Discussion with Possible Action line B. Curricular Oversight.

II. Reports

A. Citizens'/Community Presentations

The Board of Education Meeting Sign in Sheet revealed eight citizen speakers.

The first citizen speaker of the evening was Quentin Nusz, Rose Hill resident. Mr. Nusz urged the Board to work together for the children, the town, and the community.

The second citizen speaker of the evening was Ms. Thea Howard, Rose Hill graduate. Ms. Howard spoke against Mr. Ringwall's motion and House Bill 2236. She stated that, both, the HB2236 and Mr. Ringwall's motion last month, are too vague and vastly unmanageable. She then asked the board and the patrons to educate themselves while we are waiting on legislature and noted The Trevor Project and The Human Rights Campaign.

The third citizen speaker was from Metro East Baptist Church in Wichita, KS, Mr. Dewey Dovel. Mr. Dovel voiced his concerns about the BCC Dual Credit courses and stated the lack of action by the USD 394 Board was gross negligence. Mr. Dovel quoted the *Rose Hill USD 394 Board Policy book* and stated that the policies were not followed by the BCC.

The fourth citizen speaker of the night was Dr. Rob Lyerly, also of Metro East Baptist Church in Wichita, KS. Dr. Lyerly echoed Mr. Dovel's concerns for the lack of action taken for a BCC class by the USD 394 School Board.

The fifth citizen speaker was Mr. Steve Decker of Wichita, KS. Mr. Decker thanked the Board for their time and consideration to see him. Mr. Decker spoke against the two professors who taught the BCC dual credit courses. Mr. Decker went on to ask the Board two questions- 1. What are your next steps regarding corrective action for teaching unapproved content and the prohibited acts of the BCC professor? 2. What are your plans to amend your agreement with BCC as a means to mitigate these issues in the future?

The sixth citizen speaker of the night was Mr. Bill Baker, Rose Hill resident. Mr. Baker stated a majority of the Board votes as a group in support of the Superintendents direction. Mr. Baker spoke out against the BCC dual credit courses and spoke on parental rights. Mr. Baker continued by claiming Kylene Roberts and Vice President Jennifer Jackson's votes were a conflict of interest; Mrs. Roberts' because USD 394 has used Roberts Concrete and Mrs. Jackson because her husband is the Assistant Principal at the High School.

The seventh citizen was David Turner, Rose Hill resident. Mr. Turner thanked the Board for the opportunity for concerned parents like him to address the board. Mr. Turner started his speech by stating that Gender Studies is now scientifically proven and agreed upon in the medical, clinical, and academic communities. Mr. Turner went on to quote research he did within those communities that suggest there is no definite number of genders, they occur on a spectrum with endless possibilities since genders are based on feelings and not biological sex. Mr. Turner went on to voice his concerns for the current BCC courses and how they apply to everyone. He recommended a transparent syllabus from BCC and for them to be held accountable should they deviate from that syllabus.

The final speaker of the evening was Pat Beran, Rose Hill resident and former BOE member. Mrs. Beran went on to read from "Every Rose Has It's Thorn: An Open Letter of Concern about Education in Rose Hill", an anonymous blog circulating through the community.

B. Board Members' Reports

Amy Racchini congratulated the students who went to Cowley College for the Math and Science Day, Rose Hill placed sixth in several categories with a couple of first place finishers as well. Amy continued by stating she is excited for the Middle School's Principal Advisory Council and is excited for the students to be able to get involved and also for spring sports to start up. Amy concluded by stating she had looked up information on lawinsider.com pertaining to the definition of inappropriate material.

Kylene Roberts stated she had not intended to have a report this evening but felt the need to address Mr. Baker's allegations regarding her husband doing concrete work for the school. Mrs. Roberts addressed Pat Beran in the audience, whose family also has a concrete company that has done work for USD 394 and Mrs. Beran agreed with Kylene, stating she (Beran) had only had to recuse herself one time in twenty-four years due to the possibility of conflict of interest. Mrs. Roberts continued by stating that none of the purchases made by USD 394 to Roberts Concrete required a Board vote and, if they had, she would have recused herself from that vote. Kylene stated that her family loves this town, this community, and this school district and Roberts Concrete dropped six month's worth of work to help out the district, just so they could open the school after the fire marshal shut down the opening of the school until the sidewalk was finished. Kylene concluded by addressing Mr. Baker directly, saying "how dare you?"

Jon Newman had no report.

Heath Beery congratulated Mr. Collier and Mr. Hull on their upcoming retirements and thanked them for their many years of service within the district. Heath continued by congratulating winter sports for a successful season, especially the wrestling team for finishing 2nd in state.

Richard Ringwall gave an update on his contact with the Butler County Sheriff regarding the fentanyl issue and doing a presentation for the schools. Ringwall stated there is a task force in

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place of five deputies that do the fentanyl presentations to the schools. Richard advised he is expecting a call back this week sometime on what the procedure is of the fentanyl class and getting the presentation together for the schools.

Jennifer Jackson congratulated the Wrestling team on their second-place finish at state and having the fifth highest overall points for a team ever. Dr. Jackson went on to congratulate the two lady Rocket wrestlers who also placed at state. Dr. Jackson concluded her report by playing an clip of the Rocketaires performance from the WSU Madrigal Festival on March 7, 2023.

Heath Wallis had no report.

C. Superintendent's Report

Randal Chickadonz stated the Superintendent's Report, in its entirety, was included in the packet but he wanted to highlight a few items. Mr. Chickadonz thanked the staff who worked over Spring Break to install over 200 new sprinkler heads, new cameras thanks to Dr. McPherron's continuous Grant projects, and the beginning installation of the new Interactive Panels. Mr. Chickadonz also gave an update on the status of the Butler Construction Academy. Discussion was held regarding the promoting of the Construction Academy and if that will help improve enrollment numbers.

D. Parent Satisfaction Survey

Dr. Julie McPherron presented the findings of the parent satisfaction survey. The survey, in its entirety, is included in the Board Packet.

III. Consent Agenda

A. Minutes of Regular Board Meeting on February 13, 2023

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B. Employment Recommendations

EMPLOYMENT RECOMMENDATIONS

To: Members of the Board of Education

From: Randal Chickadonz, Superintendent

Date: **March 20, 2023**

EFFECTIVE

NAME	POSITION	DATE
SUBSTITUTES: "Employees At-Will"		
<u>Certified Subs</u>		
Teryn Engels	Substitute Teacher	2/22/23
Gina Geer	Substitute Teacher	2/28/23

Classified Subs

CERTIFIED EMPLOYMENT:

CLASSIFIED EMPLOYMENT: "Employees At-Will"

Ashley Anziana	Transportation	2/21/23
Regina Shaver	Kids Klub	2/27/23

CONTINGENT LETTER OF INTENT:

Megan Learning	ES PE Teacher	8/1/23
Courtney Wilson	HS ELA Teacher	8/1/23

RESCINDED ACCEPTANCE/OFFER:

LAYOFFS:

LETTER OF RECOMMENDATION:

LEAVE OF ABSENCE:

LONG TERM LEAVE:

MENTORS:

NON-RENEWAL:

RESIGNATIONS:

Haley Terronez	B&G	3/2/23
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RETIREMENT:

Kevin Collier	IS Principal	6/30/23
Dave Hull	Capital Projects Supervisor	6/30/23

SUPPLEMENTAL:

Jenny Page	HS Asst. Softball Coach	3/9/23
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SUPPLEMENTAL RESIGNATION:

Cole Griffin	HS Asst. Track Coach	2/24/23
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TERMINATION:

SUSPENDED WITH OUT PAY:

TRANSFERS:

Jamee Ockert	B&G to Kids Klub	2/23/23
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C. Donations-



Rose Hill Schools

Superintendent Randal Chickadonz
Unified School District 394
104 North Rose Hill Road
Rose Hill, Kansas 67133

Directed Donation Receipt

We hereby certify that a donation of \$100 has been received from Beta Beta - ESA. This donation to U.S.D. 394 has been directed for use by the Support Families in need. The donation has an estimated fair market value of \$100. We further certify that this donation will be used in accordance with the requirements of KSA 72-1252, KSA 72-8210, KSA 8-212 and Board of Education Policies KH and JL.

Further be it known that U.S.D. 394, Rose Hill Schools, is an institution listed in Section 170(c) of the Internal Revenue Code and donations to this district are tax deductible.

Form with fields for Donor Name, Address, City, State, Zip, Business Manager, Clerk of the Board, Date Donation Received, and Date of B.O.E. Acceptance. Includes handwritten signatures and dates.



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Directed Donation Receipt

We hereby certify that a donation of \$500.00 has been received from Kelly Y Bowser. This donation to U.S.D. 394 has been directed for use by the Rose Hill Middle School Choir. The donation has an estimated fair market value of \$500.00. We further certify that this donation will be used in accordance with the requirements of KSA 72-1252, KSA 72-8210, KSA 8-212 and Board of Education Policies KH and JL.

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We hereby certify that a donation of Check has been received from RH Family Dentistry. This donation to U.S.D. 394 has been directed for use by the RH Dance Team. The donation has an estimated fair market value of \$ 100. We further certify that this donation will be used in accordance with the requirements of KSA 72-1252, KSA 72-8210, KSA 8-212 and Board of Education Policies KH and JL.

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Mark Troilo
Donor Name
106 E Yeager St
Address
RH, KS 67133
City, State, Zip

[Signature]
Business Manager
[Signature]
Clerk of the Board
3/9/2023
Date Donation Received
3/20/2023
Date of B.O.E. Acceptance

- D. Approval of Bills, Activity Accounts and Payroll Reports – These reports were included in the board packet for review and approval.
- E. Out of District Waivers –

Primary

Intermediate

Middle School

Andrew Bernard
Taylor Winter
Katelynn Barger

High School

Karma Halgienseth
Madalyne Barger

- F. Disposal of District Property
- G. Out of State Trip- the Middle School requested permission to send some of their students to a field trip in Oklahoma.

Jon Newman made a motion, second by Amy Racchinu to approve the Consent Agenda as presented.

Motion carried 7 yea (KR, HW, JN, RR, JJ, AR, HB) - 0 nay.

President Heath Wallis stated there would be a five-minute break, beginning at 7:31 pm and ending at 7:36 pm.

IV. Discussion with Possible Action

A. KASB Policy Recommendations –

The recommendations were emailed to the Board and presented at the February Board Meeting. Discussion was held regarding the KASB recommended policy changes.

Amy Racchini made a motion, second by Richard Ringwall, to approve the KASB Policy recommendations of policies: DCA, FC, GBRJ, GCRF, IB, IDAB, IFA, JBE, JDD, AND JHC.

Motion carried 7 yea (KR, HW, JN, RR, JJ, AR, HB) - 0 nay.

B. Curricular Oversights

This agenda item has been paused while we await current legislation going through the state.

C. Staffing-

Discussion was held regarding the identified staffing of the district to be placed on hold until we know what financial requirements will be made of the district through the new legislation.

D. FACS Textbook Adoption-

The curricular committee reviewed textbook options and the results were in Dr. McPherron's report last month.

Kylene Roberts made a motion, second by Heath Beery, to approve the purchase of the FACS textbooks and curricular materials for a price not to exceed \$11,500.

Motion carried 7 yea (KR, HW, JN, HB, RR, JJ, AR) - 0 nay.

E. Paper Bids

The bids received were less than the required amount for Board approval.

F. Bond Committee Presentation

Kylene Roberts and Zain Labidi presented the Board with the Bond Committee survey and Bond Charts. Discussion was held on how to effectively over communicate the information regarding the new bond and how it would appeal to tax payers.

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Prior to adjournment Mr. Ringwall asked about the upcoming summer school program and Mr. Chickadonz advised they are starting to get it set up now and should have an update soon.

VII. Adjournment

President Heath Wallis adjourned the meeting at 8:24 p.m.

Heath Wallis, President

Jessica Kocher, Board Clerk