

**Sublette USD #374
Official Minutes**

The Sublette Unified School District No. 374 Board of Education met in regular session on Monday, February 9, 2009 in the boardroom at the Administrative Office at 7:00 p.m.

Members Present

R. W. Lucas
Jay Meyer
Joan Menzie

Jeremy Patterson
Russ Branden

Martha Rogge
Dave Holloway

Others Present

Rex Bruce, Superintendents; Denice Phoenix, Financial Officer/Clerk; Cesar Pena, MS/HS Principal Connie Myers, Elementary Principal; Risa Stevens, Curriculum Coordinator; Bob McMullen, Transportation Director

7:00 p.m. Item #1 Call Meeting to Order/Approve Agenda

The President called the meeting to order and requested that the following changes be made to the agenda:

Add Items: #8 Consider Resignation
#9 Non-Elected Personnel *Executive Session*

Mr. Meyer moved, seconded by Mrs. Menzie, to approve agenda as amended. The motion carried 7-0.

7:01 p.m. Item #2 Approve Minutes

Mr. Holloway moved, seconded by Mr. Patterson to approve the minutes of the January 12, 2009 regular meeting. The motion carried 7-0.

7:01 p.m. Item #3 Approve Bills and Authorize Payment

Prior to the meeting, Mr. Branden and Mr. Meyer reviewed Purchase Orders and supporting documents presented for payment. Mr. Branden moved, seconded by Mr. Meyer, to approve the bills as listed on the List of Warrants dated 1/31/09 and authorize payment. The motion carried 7-0.

7:02 p.m. Item #4 Approve Transfers

Mr. Patterson moved, seconded by Mrs. Menzie, to approve the following budget transfers: \$18,334.07 from general fund to At Risk, \$3,067.75 from general fund to 4-year-old At Risk, \$14,418.07 from general fund to Bilingual, \$4,843.85 from supplemental general to daycare, and \$1,347.50 from supplemental general to professional development. The motion carried 7-0.

PUBLIC FORUM

Sterling Hall gave the Board an overview of the year for the Sublette School Foundation. The Foundation is considering, for the fall of 2009, a \$500 grant for a school employee to be matched by district funds. Mr. Branden moved, seconded by Mr. Patterson to match the Foundation \$500.

7:15 p.m. Item #5 Reports

Curriculum

Mrs. Risa Stevens presented the Board with a Health/PE SAC application from Christi Kinsley. Mrs. Rogge moved, seconded by Mr. Branden to approve the application.

Principals:

Mrs. Connie Myers reported Nathan Cearley, winner of the Elementary School Spelling Bee, would compete in the Haskell County Spelling Bee. Mrs. Myers also discussed the 4th grade NAEP testing and State Assessments.

Mr. Cesar Pena informed the Board that the Scholar's Bowl team was victorious at Regional and would be traveling to State. He also discussed Spelling Bee, handbooks, and a possible change to the number of periods in the day. State Assessments will kick off with a celebration on March 9th at 8:30 a.m.

SWPRSC/HPEC

Mrs. Martha Rogge reported on HPEC and SWPRSC Board meetings.

Parents as Teachers

Mr. Bruce shared information about the Parents as Teachers program which currently serves sixteen families – 18 children.

Transportation

Mr. McMullen, transportation director, discussed the condition of district busses and other vehicles. The district currently owns one bus that needs to be replaced. Mr. McMullen requested permission to obtain bids for a new bus. It was the consensus of the Board to allow Mr. McMullen to solicit bids.

Superintendent:

Mr. Bruce discussed negotiations, National School Board convention, summer lunch program, budget cuts, and the April Board meeting date. A Goal Setting meeting was set for March 10th at 6:00 p.m.

8:00 p.m. Item #6 SMARTboard Demo

Mr. Bruce and the Board adjourned the meeting and reconvened to open session in Mrs. Cheri Simpson's first grade room. Mrs. Simpson gave the Board a short demonstration of how the SMARTboard is being used in her classroom. The Board adjourned the meeting.

8:35 p.m. Item #7 Non-elected Personnel

The Board reconvened to open session in the Board Room.

Mrs. Menzie moved, seconded by Mr. Patterson, to go into executive session to discuss nonelected personnel in order to protect the privacy interest of an identifiable individual(s), to include Mr. Bruce and Mr. Pena in executive session, and to reconvene to open session in the boardroom at 8:55 p.m. The motion carried 7-0.

The Board reconvened to open session at 8:55 p.m.

8:55 p.m. Item #8 Consider Resignation

Mr. Bruce shared a letter of resignation from Sean Herbig from his position as MS science and HS chemistry teacher. Mr. Holloway moved, seconded by Mr. Branden, to accept Mr. Herbig's resignation with many thanks for his dedication to students while an employee of USD #374. The motion carried 7-0.

9:00 p.m. Item #9 Non-elected Personnel

Mr. Holloway moved, seconded by Mr. Patterson, to go into executive session to discuss non-elected personnel in order to protect the privacy interest of an identifiable individual(s), to include Mr. Bruce in executive session, and to reconvene to open session in the boardroom at 9:30 p.m. The motion carried 7-0.

Mr. Bruce left executive session at 9:19 p.m.

The Board reconvened to open session at 9:30 p.m.

Mr. Holloway moved, seconded by Mr. Patterson, to go into executive session to discuss non-elected personnel in order to protect the privacy interest of an identifiable individual(s), and to reconvene to open session in the boardroom at 10:10 p.m. The motion carried 7-0.

The Board reconvened to open session at 10:10 p.m.

Adjournment

With no other business to come before the Board, Mrs. Menzie moved, seconded by Mr. Holloway, to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried 7-0.

NOTE: These minutes are not considered official until approved by the Board at its next regular meeting.