

CHEYLIN USD #103
REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION
MONDAY, December 9, 2024

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Education was called to order at 6:01 P.M. in the board conference room.

PRESENT:

Jared Boone, President
Jayden Cahoj, Vice-President
Cort Antholz, Member
Kelly Leach, Member
Mike McCarty, Member
Gerard Pochop, Member
Jared Sowers, Member - absent

Jim Reece, Superintendent/Elem. Prin.
Adam Wiginton, HS Principal
Keshia Walden, Clerk
Amy Hendricks

ADOPT AGENDA - Carried 6-0

It was moved by Kelly Leach and seconded by Cort Antholz to adopt the agenda as amended, striking through item 7.D. Principal Job Description and replacing it with Transportation Director Position.

RECOGNITIONS/COMMENDATIONS - Carried 6-0

It was moved by Jayden Cahoj and seconded by Gerard Pochop to formally commend the following individuals for their achievements:

- Cougars of the Week: Lucio Gabarrete, Jordyn Cepeda, Ethan Vargas
- WKLL All League Football: Harley McPherson - 1st team Defensive Line, Honorable Mention Utility; John Paul Sabatka - Honorable Mention Defensive Line
- Janice Churchwell: Retirement - 16 years at Cheylin

APPROVE CONSENT AGENDA - Carried 6-0

It was moved by Kelly Leach and seconded by Jayden Cahoj to approve the following items on the consent agenda:

- A. Approval of Minutes, November 11, 2024, Board of Education Meeting
- B. Approval of Financial Reports
 - 1. November 2024 Cash Summary Report
 - 2. November 2024 Budget Summary of Funds
 - 3. November 2024 Treasurer's Report
 - 4. November 2024 Activity Fund Report
 - 5. November 2024 Transportation Report
- C. Approval of bills

Type	Check Numbers	Amount
November Payroll	23763-23764; DD	\$ 117,424.65
Payroll Withholdings	23765-23776	59,697.64
Budget Checks	23777-23825	85,958.25
Total		\$ 263,080.54

D. Approval of KASB Policy Changes for Dec. 2024

REPORTS:

Superintendent's Report

Superintendent Reece Reported that there are buses scheduled to go to mechanics for minor repairs in the next few weeks. The activity bus that had been in the shop is back but will do a test run before it is sent on a long trip. The fire marshal is coming to do the annual inspection on Thursday. There is an interview for the custodial position on Wednesday.

Principal's Reports

High School Principal Wiginton reported that winter Fastbridge testing wrapped up today. Students have been playing some games relating to word association during Cougar Core intervention time to change up the monotony. Mr. Wiginton informed the board of the Cheyenne County Match Month that the schools are participating in. He also talked about happenings in school that are boosting the morale of students and staff.

Elementary Principal Reece informed the board that Cheylin will host the Cheyenne County Spelling Bee on February 5th. Students and teachers have been putting a lot of effort into practicing for the music program and Christmas luncheon. Mr. Reece shared a bit about the Fastbridge testing that students do three times a year.

DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS:

Amy Hendricks presented on behalf of the Cheylin KESA committee. She explained the current accreditation process, site visits, 14 areas of compliance, and the proposed school improvement goal and action plan in relation to structured literacy and professional learning.

APPROVE KESA GOAL & ACTION PLAN - Carried 6-0

It was moved by Gerard Pochop and seconded by Jayden Cahoj to approve the school improvement goal and action plan for the current KESA cycle.

ACCEPT GRANTS/DONATIONS - Carried 6-0

It was moved by Gerard Pochop and seconded by Cort Antholz to approve the following grants/donations:

1. Perkins vocational grant: \$3,262 Electrical Training System for use in Residential Carpentry and Ag Mechanics
2. Prairieland Electric Classroom Donation: \$100 3rd Grade Safety Poster Contest Participation

3. Case IH Colby Ag Center: \$100
4. KSU Chromebook Grant: \$13,500

APPROVE STAFF SHIRTS - Carried 6-0

It was moved by Kelly Leach and seconded by Mike McCarty to approve the purchase of staff shirts and to distribute them on December 17th.

Discussion was held regarding the Transportation Director position. It was the consensus of the board to ask the current Transportation Director if they would like to continue doing these duties and if not, advertise for the position.

PERSONNEL:

EXECUTIVE SESSION - Carried 6-0

It was moved by Kelly Leach and seconded by Cort Antholz that the Board go into executive session for 15 minutes for the purpose of discussing non-elected personnel pursuant to the exception for non-elected personnel exception under KOMA and that the Board and return to the open meeting at 7:33 p.m. in this room. Attending Executive Session: Superintendent Reece and Clerk Walden. Principal Wiginton was invited to attend the executive session but had to step out of the meeting due to the JH scholar's bowl meet being held at the same time.

EXECUTIVE SESSION - Carried 6-0

It was moved by Kelly Leach and seconded by Cort Antholz that the Board go into executive session for 10 minutes for the purpose of discussing non-elected personnel pursuant to the exception for non-elected personnel exception under KOMA and that the Board and return to the open meeting at 7:43 p.m. in this room. Attending Executive Session: Superintendent Reece and Clerk Walden.

The board returned to open session at 7:42 p.m.

ACCEPT RESIGNATION - Carried 6-0

It was moved by Kelly Leach and seconded by Cort Antholz to accept the resignation of Jenna Carr, Jr./Sr. High Social Studies Teacher, effective December 31, 2024.

APPROVE HIRES - Carried 6-0

It was moved by Kelly Leach and seconded by Jayden Cahoj to approve the updated substitute teacher list and to approve a supplemental contract for Brynn Dawson as part of the KESA team for the second semester.

APPROVE TUITION REIMBURSEMENT REQUESTS - Carried 6-0

It was moved by Kelly Leach and seconded by Cort Antholz to approve the requests from Blanca Rodriguez and Amanda Burke to participate in the tuition reimbursement program for the Spring 2025 semester.

Principal Wiginton and Amy Hendricks returned to the meeting at 7:45 p.m.

Discussion was held regarding the current supplemental contract for the Concession Stand position.

Future agenda items for January include budget update and senior trip proposal.

ADJOURN MEETING - Carried 6-0

It was moved by Jayden Cahoj and seconded by Kelly Leach to adjourn the meeting at 8:01 p.m.

President

Clerk