

August 7, 2024

**BROWN COUNTY KANSAS SPECIAL EDUCATION INTERLOCAL #615**  
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**MINUTES OF REGULAR BOARD MEETING**

August 7, 2024

(These minutes are not official until approved at the September 4, 2024 board meeting.)

The Board of Education of the Brown County Kansas Special Education Interlocal #615 held its regular August Board of Education meeting at 6:00 p.m. on August 7, 2024 at the Special Education Annex in Hiawatha.

**CALL TO ORDER**

Roni Tietjens called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

**ROLL CALL**

Those present were:

Becky Shamburg, Director  
Jon Boller, USD 430 Board Member  
Rex Lockwood, USD 430 Board Member  
Shelby Rice, USD 430 Board Member  
Ian Schuetz, USD 415 Board Member  
Jacquie Spihlmann, USD 415 Board Member  
Roni Tietjens, USD 415 Board Member  
Amy Larson, Board Clerk/Business Manager

Those absent were:

Connie Hale, Supervisor/Coordinator

**APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA**

Director Shamburg requested to add Staci Campbell's resignation as janitor to item 5 under Approval of the Consent Agenda.

Jacquie Spihlmann moved to approve the revised agenda. Jon Boller seconded and the motion passed with a vote of six to zero.

**COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC**

There were no comments from the public.

**COMMENTS FROM THE PRESIDENT**

There were no comments from the president.

**APPROVAL OF THE CONSENT AGENDA**

Jon Boller moved to approve the consent agenda. Shelby Rice seconded and the motion passed with a vote of six to zero. Included in the consent agenda was:

1. Approval of the Minutes of the July 3, 2024 regular board meeting.
2. Approval of the Bills for the month of August 2024.
3. Accept the treasurer's report for the month of August 2024.
4. Approve the hire of new paras Cheryl Wichman (Horton High), Kaci Large (Hiaw ES), Cathryn Hollands (HMS), Rikky Bock (Horton ES), Barbara Spangler (HMS/HHS), Jolynn Grant (Hiaw ES), De Aun Sanner (Hiaw ES)
5. Accept the resignation of Staci Campbell as the annex janitor.

**REVISION OF JUNE 2024 BOARD POLICY UPDATES**

The state of Kansas along with twenty-five other states have legally challenged the Biden Administration on four policies. KASB requested boards use the previous policies until the legal process has completed.

Ian Schuetz moved the updates to policies GAAC, GARIA, JGEC, and the addition of policy JGECAA adopted by the board on July 3, 2024 be rescinded and the previous versions of policies GAAC, GARIA, and JGEC be readopted and approved. Shelby Rice seconded the motion passed with a vote of six to zero.

**STATE AUDIT AND FINANCIAL AUDIT UPDATE**

The financial audit was conducted on July 16 and went well. The state audit conducted on August 1 resulted in the Interlocal paying back the state \$4,496. The Interlocal has to estimate total state aid in early May for the entire school year. By estimating slightly higher than actual, the Interlocal receives all the state aid they are entitled to.

**REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF THE 2024-25 BUDGET**

Board Clerk Amy Larson reviewed the budget with the board members with discussion. Rex Lockwood moved to approve the 2024-25 budget. Ian Schuetz seconded and the motion passed with a vote of six to zero.

**DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

- Director Shamburg stated that the plumbing repair at the annex is going to start August 12, 2024.

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- With the addition of the RTAP (Registered Teacher Apprentice Program), Sherri Nelson will be working in 3<sup>rd</sup>-4<sup>th</sup> grades at Hiawatha Elementary with Sara Edie as teacher of record.
- With Beth Jensen as the long-term sub at Hiawatha High Life Skills, Rachel Bloom will be the teacher of record.
- At this time, the Interlocal has hired eight new paras for the school year. There is continuing discussion about speech language pathologists.
- Special education certified inservice is set for August 9 at Klinefelter Farm. Para inservice is set for August 12 at Hiawatha High Auditorium.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION TO DISCUSS NON-ELECTED PERSONNEL, NEGOTIATIONS AND STUDENT PERSONNEL**

At 6:36 pm, Rex Lockwood moved to go into executive session for 5 minutes to discuss non-elected personnel, student personnel, and negotiable items as allowed for employer-employee negotiations under KOMA, and reconvene at 6:41 pm. Jon Boller seconded and the motion passed with a vote of six to zero. The executive session was necessary to protect the privacy of those individuals discussed, to protect the privacy rights of a student who is identifiable, and to ensure a fair and equitable contract. Those present for the executive session were Becky Shamburg, Jon Boller, Rex Lockwood, Shelby Rice, Ian Schuetz, Jacquie Spihlmann, and Roni Tietjens. At 6:41 pm, the board came out of executive session.

**POSSIBLE ACTION FOLLOWING EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Jacquie Spihlmann moved to approve the contract with speech language pathologist Kim Franken as presented. Shelby Rice seconded and the motion passed with a vote of six to zero.

**OTHER**

There was no other business to discuss.

**ADJOURN**

Jacquie Spihlmann moved to adjourn the Board meeting. Ian Schuetz seconded and the motion passed with a vote of six to zero. The meeting adjourned at 6:47 p.m.

The next regularly scheduled meeting of the BCK-SEI Board of Education will be held at 6:00 p.m. on Wednesday, September 4, 2024 at the Special Education Annex in Hiawatha.

Board	
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_____ , Date	_____ , Date