

May 8, 2025

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

May 8, 2025

(These minutes are not official until approved at the June 4, 2025 board meeting.)

The Board of Education of the Brown County Kansas Special Education Interlocal #615 held a regular May Board of Education meeting at 6:00 p.m. on May 8, 2025 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 of Special Education
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
Connie Hale, Supervisor/Coordinator
Amy Larson, Board Clerk/Business Manager
Kendelle Runer, ECSE Instructor
Dr. Becky Kramer, USD 430 Superintendent

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Director Shamburg requested to add minutes from May 6, 2025 and May 7, 2025 to the consent agenda. Ian Schuetz moved to approve the revised consent 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

Rex Lockwood moved to approve the revised consent agenda. Shelby Rice seconded and the motion passed with a vote of six to zero. Items on the consent agenda are:

1. Approval of the minutes of the April 3, 2025 regular board meeting.
2. Approval of the minutes of the April 23, 2025 special board meeting.
3. Approval of the minutes of the May 6, 2025 special board meeting.
4. Approval of the minutes of the May 7, 2025 special board meeting.
5. Approval of the bills for the month of May 2025.
6. Accept the treasurer's report for the month of May 2025.

HEALTH INSURANCE UPDATE

Director Shamburg

REVIEW AND APPROVE THE 2025-26 INTERLOCAL CALENDAR

Connie Hale reviewed the 2025-26 interlocal calendar stating that August certified special education inservice date is set for August 8, 2025 and the August classified special education para inservice date is set for August 11, 2025. There will be wheelchair/proper lifting training on August 8, 2025 as well.

Jon Boller moved to approve the 2025-26 BCK-SEI calendar. Shelby Rice seconded and the motion passed with a vote of five to zero.

REVIEW AND APPROVE A 2025-26 PRELIMINARY BOARD MEETING SCHEDULE

Connie Hale reviewed the 2025-26 preliminary board meeting schedule stating the location would be determined at a later date. After discussion, Rex Lockwood moved to approve the 2025-26 preliminary board meeting dates. Jon Boller seconded and the motion passed with a vote of five to zero.

REVIEW AND APPROVE THE 2025-26 MASTER TEACHER CONTRACT

Amy Larson reviewed the 2025-26 quote from Master Teacher. The Master Teacher was getting their pricing up to date and quoted the interlocal \$3,231 for 75 licenses which is over \$1,000 more than what the interlocal paid this year. After asking for a more economical quote, the interlocal was quoted \$2,068 for 44 licenses and after using those, the unused licenses from 2024-25 will transfer over.

After discussion, Jacquie Spihlmann moved to approve the Master Teacher quote for \$2,068. Shelby Rice seconded and the motion passed with a vote of five to zero.

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REVIEW AND APPROVE THE 2025-26 KASB MEMBERSHIP AND LEGAL ASSISTANCE FUND DUES

Connie Hale reviewed the 2025-26 KASB membership and legal assistance fund dues with the board. There was no increase in the dues from 2024-25. After discussion, Shelby Rice moved to approve the 2025-26 KASB membership and legal assistance fund dues. Rex Lockwood seconded and the motion passed with a vote of five to zero.

ACTION FOR SUBMISSION OF TITLE VI-B GRANT APPLICATION

Amy Larson reviewed the initial phase of submitting a Title VI-B grant application. Title VI-B funds are federal funds of IDEA. After discussion, Jacquie Spihlmann moved to approve the grant application. Jon Boller seconded and the motion passed with a vote of five to zero.

REPORT FROM CONNIE HALE

Connie Hale stated that both RTAP apprentices Sherri Nelson and Becca Beecham are doing well. Teacher evaluations are winding down. Para appreciation week was last week and paras were given shirts and goodie bags. Connie will be attending an autism training for team leads only in Salina on May 1, 2025.

EXECUTIVE SESSION TO DISCUSS NEGOTIATIONS

At 6:10 pm, Jacquie Spihlmann moved to go into executive session for 5 minutes to discuss negotiable items as allowed for employer-employee negotiations under KOMA, and reconvene at 6:15 pm. Shelby Rice seconded and the motion passed with a vote of five 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 Connie Hale, Jon Boller, Rex Lockwood, Shelby Rice, Jacquie Spihlmann, and Roni Tietjens. At 6:15 pm, the board came out of executive session.

POSSIBLE ACTION FOLLOWING EXECUTIVE SESSION

There was no action following executive session.

OTHER

There was no other business to discuss.

ADJOURN

Shelby Rice moved to adjourn the Board meeting. Jon Boller seconded and the motion passed with a vote of five to zero. The meeting adjourned at 6:17 p.m.

The next regularly scheduled meeting of the BCK-SEI Board of Education will be held at 6:00 p.m. on Wednesday, May 7, 2025 at the Special Education Annex in Hiawatha.

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