

**McLouth USD 342
Board of Education
Regular Meeting
July 10, 2023**

A. Call the Meeting to Order – President Kim Troupe called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

B. Roll Call

Board members present: Mrs. Heather Coit, Mr. James Copeland, Mrs. Tara Garrow, Mrs. Jennifer Harsh and Mrs. Kim Troupe

Absent: Mrs. Pamela Carleton and Mr. Dean Wolfe

Also present: Mr. Jerome Johnson, Mrs. Lorie Patterson and Mrs. Missy Miller

C. Approval of the Agenda – Mrs. Harsh moved to approve the agenda as presented. Mrs. Garrow seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

Mr. Wolfe arrived at 7:02 p.m.

D. Consent Agenda – Mrs. Harsh moved and Mrs. Garrow seconded the motion to accept the Consent Agenda as presented. The Consent Agenda consisted of the following items: a. Appointment of Clerk and Deputy Clerk; b. Appointment of Treasurer and Assistant Treasurer; c. Appointment of Bank Depository; d. Appointment of Official School Newspaper(s); e. Appointment of School Attorney; f. Approval of Minutes from June 12, 2023 Regular Board Meeting and June 26, 2023 Special Board Meeting; g. Accept Treasurer's Report; h. Report of Unencumbered Cash Balances as of 7/1/2023; i. Approval of Check Registers; j. Food Service Authorized Representative and Hearing Officer; k. Federal Program Representative; l. Non-Discrimination Resolution; m. Federal Title Compliance Coordinator; n. Section 504 Coordinator; o. Authorization to Employee Substitute Personnel; p. Authorize Personnel to Sign District Checks; q. Authorize Petty Cash Account, Amount and Person(s) Responsible; r. KPERS Representative Designation; s. Attendance and Truancy Officers; t. Authorize Suspension and Expulsion Hearing Officers; u. G.A.A.P. Waiver Resolution; v. Approval of Safe Deposit Box and Person(s) Responsible; w. Adoption of the 1116 Hour Calendar; x. Board Policy Adoption; y. Resolution for Early Payment of Bills; z. Appoint Freedom of Information Officer; aa. Homeless Children Liaison; bb. Allow the Superintendent the authority to hire and fire classified employees as needed and to allow the superintendent the authority to set the hourly wage of new classified employees hired during the school year; cc. Authorize McLouth Police Department to enforce local traffic and municipal codes on school property; and dd. Approve the Credit Card/Line of Credit Limits. The motion carried 6-0.

E. Comments from the President – None

F. Administrative Reports

a. Superintendent – Mrs. Harsh moved to approve the purchase of wall pads for the gold gym in the amount of \$3,144.57. Mr. Wolfe seconded. Motion carried 6-0. Mr. Wolfe moved to approve the purchase of padding for the field goal posts and sideline numbers in the amount of \$3,355.54. Mrs. Coit seconded. Motion carried 6-0.

b. Building Principals

G. Discussion and Approval of the Elementary, Secondary and Athletic Handbooks – Mr. Wolfe made a motion to adopt all the handbooks as presented and to include the current year's cell phone policy in the secondary handbook. Mrs. Harsh seconded. Motion carried 6-0.

H. Discussion and Possible Approval of Fees-New Wording – Discussion-Mrs. Coit moved to approve an activity fee in the amount of \$25 for all students in grades 6-12. Mr. Copeland seconded. Motion carried 6-0. Mrs. Garrow moved to approve athletic passes at \$60 for one adult; \$80 for two adults or one adult/one child; and \$100 for 3+ family members. Mrs. Coit seconded. Motion carried 6-0.

I. Discussion and Possible Approval of Adult Meal Prices – Mrs. Coit made a motion to set the cost of adult breakfast at \$3.00 and the cost of adult lunch at \$5. Mr. Wolfe seconded. Motion carried 6-0.

- J. Discussion of Back to School Night** – Tuesday, August 15th from 6-7 p.m.
- K. Keystone Update** – Mrs. Troupe provided an update.
- L. Executive Session** - Mr. Wolfe made a motion to go into executive session to discuss potential employees pursuant to the non-elected personnel exception under KOMA, and the open meeting will resume in the boardroom at 7:55 p.m. Mr. Wolfe invited Mr. Johnson and Mrs. Patterson into executive session. Mrs. Coit seconded. Motion carried 6-0. Mr. Johnson and Mrs. Patterson attended executive session. The board returned to open session at 7:55 p.m. Mrs. Harsh made a motion to return to executive session to discuss potential employees pursuant to the non-elected personnel exception under KOMA, and the open meeting will resume in the boardroom at 8:11 p.m. Mrs. Harsh invited Mr. Johnson and Mrs. Patterson into executive session. Mr. Wolfe seconded. Motion carried 6-0. Mr. Johnson and Mrs. Patterson attended executive session. The board returned to open session at 8:11 p.m.
- M. Action Following Executive Session** - Mr. Wolfe made a motion to hire Mr. John Deitrich as a secondary physical education teacher. Mrs. Coit seconded. Motion carried 6-0. Mr. Wolfe made a motion to hire Mrs. Hannah David as an assistant cross country coach. Mrs. Harsh seconded. Motion carried 6-0. Mrs. Coit made a motion to hire Ms. Tiffany Jones as a physical education long-term substitute teacher. Mrs. Harsh seconded. Motion carried 6-0.
- L. Executive Session** - Mrs. Harsh made a motion to go into executive session to discuss an individual employee's contract pursuant to the exception for non-elected personnel under KOMA, and the open meeting will resume in the boardroom at 8:16 p.m. Mrs. Harsh invited Mr. Johnson and Mrs. Patterson into executive session. Mr. Wolfe seconded. Motion carried 6-0. Mr. Johnson and Mrs. Patterson attended executive session. The board returned to open session at 8:16 p.m.
- M. Action Following Executive Session** - Mr. Copeland made a motion to accept the resignation of Mr. Mike Williams as a secondary science teacher. Mrs. Harsh seconded. Motion carried 6-0.
- L. Executive Session** - Mrs. Garrow made a motion to go into executive session to discuss negotiable items under the exception for employer-employee negotiations under KOMA, and the open meeting will resume in the boardroom at 8:35 p.m. Mrs. Garrow invited Mr. Johnson and Mrs. Patterson into executive session. Mrs. Coit seconded. Motion carried 6-0. Mr. Johnson and Mrs. Patterson attended executive session. The board returned to open session at 8:35 p.m.
- N. Other**
- O. Adjourn** – Mrs. Troupe adjourned the meeting at 8:38 p.m.

Mrs. Kim Troupe, President

Mrs. Lorie Patterson, Clerk