

**McLouth USD 342
Board of Education
Regular Meeting
October 14, 2024**

- A. Call the Meeting to Order** – President Heather Coit called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.
- B. Roll Call**
Board members present: Mr. Tony Barnes, Mrs. Heather Coit, Mrs. Tara Garrow, Mr. Paul Haverkamp, Mr. Joe Mahon and Mr. Terry Reiling
Absent: Mr. James Copeland
Also present: Mr. Jerome Johnson, Mrs. Lorie Patterson, Mr. Alan Hibdon, Mrs. Melissa Miller, Mr. J.D. Nelson, Ms. Beverly Muzzy and Ms. Tonya Wahl
- C. Approval of the Agenda** – Mr. Barnes moved to approve the agenda as presented. Mr. Haverkamp seconded. Motion carried 6-0.
- D. Consent Agenda** – Mr. Reiling moved and Mr. Haverkamp seconded the motion to accept the Consent Agenda as presented. The Consent Agenda consisted of the following items: a. Approval of Minutes from September 9, 2024 Regular Board Meeting; b. Approval of Check Registers; c. Accept Treasurer’s Report; d. Approve the Annual Staff Climate Survey; e. Approve the Annual Parent Survey; f. Approve the Disposal of Old MS Track Uniforms; g. Accept Donation Stadium Sign from Courtney’s LLC; and h. Approve Cole Griffin as Assistant Wrestling Coach. The motion carried 6-0.
- E. Comments from the President** - President Coit commented on great community involvement with homecoming, the new sign at the sports complex, the new banners at the school and band accomplishments.
- Mr. Copeland arrived at 7:01 p.m.
- F. Administrative Reports**
a. Superintendent
b. Elementary Principal
c. Secondary Principal
- G. Discussion and Possible Approval of Teacher Apprenticeship Program** – Mr. Johnson provided information.
- H. Discussion and Possible Approval to Use Funds from Gifts and Grants for New Designated Purpose** – Mr. Mahon made a motion to approve the remaining balance in the gifts and grants fund for 2017 state basketball transportation be used for athletics and/or basketball. Mr. Reiling seconded. Motion carried 7-0.
- I. Discussion and Possible Approval to Add Cheer to the Uniform Rotation List** – Discussion-Mr. Haverkamp made a motion to table this item and to discuss it at a later meeting with cheer sponsors present. Mr. Barnes seconded. Motion carried 7-0.
- J. Discussion Project List**
- K. Keystone Update** – Mr. Reiling provided an update. The board discussed the plans for a new building. Mr. Haverkamp made a motion to support the construction of a new Keystone Learning Services building with a commitment of \$495,371.72 plus \$84,000 interest. Mr. Mahon seconded. Motion carried 6-1.
- L. Executive Session** - Mrs. Garrow 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 8:51 p.m. Mrs. Garrow invited Mr. Hibdon, Mr. Johnson, Mrs. Miller and Mr. Nelson into executive session. Mr. Haverkamp seconded. Motion carried 7-0. Mr. Hibdon, Mr. Johnson, Mrs. Miller and Mr. Nelson attended executive session. The board returned to open session at 8:51 p.m.
- M. Action Following Executive Session** – Mr. Reiling moved to approve the extended contracts for Ms. Nicole

Hinrichsen, Ms. Gina Holwick, Ms. Christianne Parks, Mr. Aaron Polson and Ms. Marie Umphenour for the 2024-2025 school year. Mrs. Garrow seconded. Motion carried 7-0. Mr. Mahon moved to rehire Mr. Blake Behrens and Ms. Hannah David as assistant middle school track coaches for the 2024-2025 school year. Mr. Haverkamp seconded. Motion carried 7-0. Mr. Reiling moved to approve Ms. Allison Barnes as an applicant for the KSDE Apprenticeship Program. Mrs. Garrow seconded. Motion carried 6-0-1.

N. Other

O. Adjourn – Mrs. Coit adjourned the meeting at 8:56 p.m.

Mrs. Heather Coit, President

Mrs. Lorie Patterson, Clerk