

**LAWRENCE COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD
MINUTES OF A MEETING
DECEMBER 17, 2019**

The Lawrence County Board of Directors met in regular session on Tuesday, December 17, 2019 in the boardroom of the Superintendent's Office at 5:00 p.m.

President Pat Roby called the meeting to order, and Clay Sloan offered the prayer.

MINUTES

Minutes of the November 12, 2019 meeting were approved upon motion by Greg Gill and seconded by Vickie Mitchell. Motion was approved unanimously.

OLD BUSINESS

President Roby moved to the Superintendent's report. Superintendent Belcher informed the board of the semester test schedule and of the Winter Ball date. Superintendent Belcher also updated the Board on the building projects. Safety meetings were discussed.

NEW BUSINESS

The next item was new business. Vickie Mitchell made a motion to approve payment of bills, Greg Gill seconded, and motion carried. Financial reports were reviewed.

Superintendent Belcher recommended the Board approve the 2021-2022 budget. Brittany Schmidt moved to approve the budget as presented. Doyne Davis seconded the motion. The motion received unanimous approval.

Superintendent Belcher presented the mandated minimum wage increase for approval. Greg Gill made a motion to approve the increase, Clay Sloan seconded, and motion carried unanimously.

Superintendent Belcher made the recommendation to raise the substitute certified pay to \$90 per day and non-degreed substitutes/non-certified positions minimum wage. Greg Gill moved to approve the recommendation. Clay Sloan seconded the motion. The motion received unanimous approval.

Superintendent Belcher recommended the Board pay the amount of \$53,407.14 tax assessment adjustment, which was received erroneously by the district, to the Hoxie School District. Doyne Davis moved to approve the recommendation. Joe Penn seconded the motion. The motion received unanimous approval. Clay Sloan abstained for the discussion and the vote.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

The Board went into Executive Session at 5:35p.m. to discuss employment matters; the board reconvened at 5:55p.m. with the following recommendation to approve Jason Forkum as a custodial substitute. Joe Penn moved to approve the recommendation. Doyne Davis seconded the motion. The motion received unanimous approval.

Superintendent Belcher recommended the Board accept the resignation of elementary custodian, Tabitha McDougle. Clay Sloan moved to accept the resignation. Vickie Mitchell seconded the motion. The motion received unanimous approval.

Superintendent Belcher recommended the Board approve the contract of Karen Wallin retroactively to the first date of employment. Greg Gill moved to approve the recommendation. Vickie Mitchell seconded the motion. The motion received unanimous approval.

OTHER BUSINESS

December activity calendars were presented to the board.

ADJOURNMENT

The next meeting was scheduled for Tuesday, January 7, 2020 at 5:00 in the boardroom of the Superintendent's office. Meeting was adjourned at 6:18 upon motion by Doyne Davis, seconded by Pat Roby.

Brittany Schmidt, Secretary