

**Sublette USD #374
Official Minutes**

The Sublette Unified School District No. 374 Board of Education met in regular session on Monday, July 08, 2024 at 7p.m.

Members Present:

Grant Webber Pete Dyck Cornelius Froese Ruthie Vaughan

Members Absent: Shyree Wiswell Juan Chacon Lee Mason

Others Present: Rex Richardson, Superintendent; Charity Ochs-Lathen, Clerk; Rachel Lee, Elementary School Principal

Guests: There were no guests present.

Item #1 Call Meeting to Order /Approve Agenda

The President called the meeting to order at 7:12 p.m. Mr. Dyck moved, seconded by Mr. Froese to approve the agenda. The motion carried 4-0.

Item #2 Approve Minutes

Mr. Froese moved, seconded by Mrs. Vaughan, to approve the minutes of the June 17, 2024 Meeting The motion carried 4-0.

Item #3 Treasurer's Report

Prior to the meeting, Mr. Dyck, Mr. Webber, Mr. Froese and Mrs. Vaughan reviewed Purchase Orders and supporting documents presented for payment. Mr Dyck move, seconded by Mrs. Froese to pay the bills as presented. The motion carried 4-0.

Item #4 Communications

There were multiple notes of Thanks given to the Board of Education from faculty and staff for the ESSERIII payments awarded in June.

Reports

Principals

Mrs. Lee reported that Summer School was complete and it had gone well. She reported an average of 150 students ate lunch during the days of Summer School. It's now down to about ½ that. Martha Rogge has not been able to paint due to family issues, so Mrs. Lee will be doing some painting. August 6-7 is enrollment. The clothing drive is the evening of August 15th. BEST After School Grand was awarded. It is a five year grant and will be used to fund the After School program for the next five years. Mrs. Lee thanked the Board for the generous ESSER III stipend and for the support they have given her.

Activities Director

Mr. Befort was not present.

Curriculum

Mrs. Pena was not present.

SWPRSC- No report.

HPEC- No report

PUBLIC FORUM

There was no public forum.

Item #5 Dual Sports

The Board determined it was best to keep the current policy in place for the 2024-2025 school year and review each year. Mr. Dyck moved, seconded by Mr. Froese. The motion carried 4-0.

Item #6 Therapeutic Wellness

Mr. Richardson informed the Board that after an agreement between Therapeutic Wellness and USD 374, they came back with request for change. Now we are at a standstill. We would like to continue talks with them and see if we can get on the same page and come to a working agreement. Mr. Froese moved, seconded by Mr. Dyck to continue the efforts. The motion carried 4-0.

Item #7 Approval of Final Transfers/ Carryover Balances

Mr. Webber stated it was ok for Mr. Richardson to make the final adjustments as necessary and then report to the Board. Mr. Dyck moved, Mr. Froese seconded in agreement. The motion carried 4-0.

Item #8 Publication of the District Budget

Mr. Richardson asked the Board to approve publication of the budget based on 390 students at 8 mills and the L.O. B. at 33% Mr. Froese moved, seconded by Mrs. Vaughan. It carried 4-0.

Item #9 COVID Safe Return Policy

Mrs. Vaughan moved, seconded by Mr. Dyck to adopt the policy as presented. The motion carried 4-0.

Item #10 21st Century After School Grant

Mr. Richardson stated that the district was approved for a 5 year grant to fund our After School Program. Years one-three will be funded at \$125,000 year. Year four will be funded at \$110,000 and year five at \$100,000. Mr. Froese moved, seconded by Mr. Dyck to accept the conditions of the grant. The motion carried 4-0.

Item #11 District Water Usage

Mr. Richardson informed the Board he has looked over the last four years of bills to compare water usage. There is nothing unusual and is as expected for the conditions during the times of usage. He said he would continue to do this and track the information to have if someone would ask.

Executive Session- Non - Elected Personnel

Mr. Dyck moved, seconded by Mrs. Vaughan to enter into Executive Session. The motion carried 4-0. When the Board returned to Open Session, Mrs. Vaughan moved, Mr. Dyck seconded to the hiring of Cinda Wolf as Elementary P.E. Teacher. The motion carried 4-0.

Item #11 Superintendent's Report

Mr. Richardson informed the Board the Back to School picnic will be at the City Park, August 20, 7 p.m. Burgers and hot dogs will be served.

With no other business to discuss, Mr. Dyck moved, seconded by Mr. Froese to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried 4-0.

NOTE: These minutes are not considered official until approved by the Board at its next regular meeting.