Minutes of the Meeting of the Board of Education, Unified School District No. 466,

704 S. College Street, Scott City, Kansas, Monday, August 12, 2024

The Board of Education of Unified School District No. 466 met for public hearing on Monday, August 12, 2024, at 7:00 p.m. in the Administration Building Board Room, 704 S. College, Scott City, KS, with the following members present:

Elizabeth Cox, Julia Cheney, Debbie Drohman, Mindi Edwards, Scott Noll, and Andy Trout.

Others present were Jamie Rumford, Superintendent, Aaron Dirks, Corbin Janssen, Jana Irvin, Dustin Hughes, Shawn Roberts, Janet Crisler, Adam Kadavy, Jason Hundertmark, Collen Schmitt, Courtney McEachern, and Suzanne Hess, Board Clerk.

President, Andy Trout, called the hearing to order at 7:00 p.m.

Superintendent Rumford reviewed the information on the 2024-2025 budget. The overall mill levy is 62.712 which is less than 62.839 last year bringing in less local taxes than last year but bringing in more state aid income.

There were no comments from the public.

#### Adjournment

Debbie Drohman made a motion to adjourn. Scott Noll seconded the motion and it carried unanimously. The hearing adjourned at 7:06 p.m.

The Board of Education of Unified School District No. 466 met in regular session on Monday, August 12, 2024, at 7:00 p.m. in the Administration Building Board Room, 704 S. College, Scott City, KS, with the following members present:

Elizabeth Cox, Julia Cheney, Debbie Drohman, Mindi Edwards, Scott Noll, and Andy Trout.

Others present were Jamie Rumford, Superintendent, Aaron Dirks, Corbin Janssen, Jana Irvin, Dustin Hughes, Shawn Roberts, Cheryl Kucharik, Janet Crisler, Adam Kadavy, Jason Hundertmark, Collen Schmitt, Courtney McEachern, and Suzanne Hess, Board Clerk.

President Andy Trout called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance.

#### Motion to Adopt the Agenda

Julia Cheney made a motion to adopt the agenda amended removing meal price changes under consent agenda and adding the Local Option Budget resolution to Board Matters. Debbie Drohman seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

### **Comments from the Public**

No comments from the public.

#### **Board Representative Reports**

Julie Cheney reported Fort Hays Tech Northwest is changing all of their school colors to gold and black in line with their affiliation with Fort Hays State University.

No report for High Plains Educational Cooperative.

# **Administrative Reports**

Dr. Shawn Roberts, Scott City Elementary School Principal, shared the elementary school has one opening for an inter-related paraprofessional and teachers are trickling in to get classrooms ready.

Jana Irvin, Scott City Middle School Principal, shared the middle school teachers are coming in and are learning the new Skyward system.

Dustin Hughes, Scott City Middle School Assistant Principal/Activity Director, informed the board that teachers are returning and fall practices starting on Monday.

Aaron Dirks, Scott Community High School Principal, shared with the Board there are 20 new students enrolled with more freshmen.

Corbin Janssen, Scott Community High School Assistant Principal/Activity Director, informed the Board he is excited about his new role within the district. Captains practice this week and regular practice starts Monday with a parent's meeting this week.

Superintendent Rumford discussed the following with the Board:

- Back to school plans are moving forward beginning 8am Wednesday with a breakfast to welcome returning staff and an all staff meeting to follow. The Board of Education is welcome to attend.
- Geothermal project is connecting everything this week and weekend. The parking lot is expected to be complete by Labor Day.
- Food service received a new walk-in freezer due to a state of Kansas grant.
- The KASB (Kansas Association of School Boards) conference in November will be attended by Debbie Drohman, Andy Trout, Elizabeth Cox, and Julia Cheney.

# Treasurer's Report, Bills Payable and Bond Financials

The Board was informed about there are 2 payments remaining for the BCS energy payment. The bond payment was listed in the List of Warrants and will be paid at the end of the month.

Scott Noll made a motion to pay the bills as presented check numbers 71937 - 72092, Wire Transfers 70250 - 70264 in the amount of \$2,585,414.92. Mindi Edwards seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

## Consent Agenda

Mindi Edwards made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda. Elizabeth Cox seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Consent Agenda Items approved were:

A. Approval of Previous Minutes July 10, 2024 & July 17, 2024

# Consideration of Items Pulled from the Consent Agenda

None pulled.

### **Board Matters**

A. 2024 – 25 Budget Adoption

Debbie Drohman made a motion stating with respect that the Board was provided and evaluated each building's needs assessment, and have included consideration of each building's needs assessment and the state assessment within the budget to adopt the 2024-2025 Scott County School District USD 466 budget as presented in the budget hearing. Scott Noll seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

- B. Local Option Budget Resolution
- Julia Cheney made a motion to approve the Local Option Budget Resolution at 33%. Mindi Edwards seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.
- C. Scott City Elementary HVAC Project Scott Noll made a motion to approve the lowest bid from Tatro for the Scott City Elementary HVAC Project in the amount of \$47,700. Elizabeth Cox seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.
  - D. Investment of Idle Funds

Scott Noll made a motion to approve the highest bid with Security State Bank for investment of idle funds in the amount of \$500,000 at a rate of 5.08%. Debbie Drohman seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

E. School Resource Officer – Memorandum of Understanding
The MOU has been in place since 2022. Elizabeth Cox made a motion to approve the school resource officer memorandum of understanding with the City of Scott City Police Department as presented. Mindi Edwards seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Cheryl Kucharik, Janet Crisler, Adam Kadavy, Jason Hundertmark, Collen Schmitt, Courtney McEachern left at 7:36 p.m.

### **EXECUTIVE SESSION – Non-Elected Personnel**

Scott Noll made a motion that the Board go into executive session to discuss matters relating to non-elected personnel, pursuant to the non-elected personnel exception under KOMA for twenty (20) minutes with the open meeting to resume in the board meeting room at 7:56 p.m.

Superintendent Rumford, Aaron Dirks, Corbin Janssen, Jana Irvin, Dustin Hughes, and Shawn Roberts were included in the session. Elizabeth Cox seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Aaron Dirks, Corbin Janssen, Jana Irvin, Dustin Hughes, and Shawn Roberts left at 7:47 p.m.

The meeting resumed in open session at 7:56 p.m.

### **Approve Resignations and Hires**

Mindi Edwards made a motion to approve the resignations/hires as listed below. Debbie Drohman seconded the motion and it passed 5-1. Elizabeth Cox voted nay.

Hires: Angel Everett – SCMS ESL Para

Rosalva Ruiz – SCMS ESL Para Anita Rose – SCMS Science Teacher

Dakota Hayes – ½ Activities Assistant Director Lauren Robinson - ½ Activities Assistant Director

Matt Fox - SCHS Asst. Girls' Basketball

Shandi Westergard – SCHS Cheerleading Assistant Mari Bennett – SCHS Volleyball C Team Assistant

Amy Felker - SCHS Head Girls' Tennis

Shandi Westergard – SCHS Assistant Girls' Tennis

Chris Hubbard – Concessions Director Maranda Cervosky – Food Service

**Resignations:** Matt Fox – SCMS Wrestling

Drew Kite - SCHS Softball

#### Open Discussion by Board

Discussion was held on the cost of elementary supplies, senior pictures. Superintendent Rumford shared with the Board that 46% of SC teachers have taken a non-traditional route to becoming a teacher, 79% of SC teachers have been with the district for more than 5 years and 38% of SC teachers originally graduated from SCHS. The district will host an evening of fun for all staff on Friday night at Patton Park.

# **Adjournment**

Julia Cheney made a motion to adjourn. Elizabeth Cox seconded the motion and it carried unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

Board President

Board Clerk)