



*District Mission: Students graduate with the knowledge, skills and behaviors to be college and career ready.*

# Hutchinson Public Schools

**2015-16 SCHOOL YEAR**

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## Board wraps up 2015-16 school year

The Hutchinson Public Schools Board of Education formally closed out the 2015-16 school year Monday (June 27, 2016) at its final meeting of the year.

Included in the end-of-year work were final budget transfers for the district.

Because of action taken last week in Topeka by the Kansas Legislature, the district did not have to take actions that could have delayed the start of the 2016-17 school year. Superintendent Dr. Shelly Kiblinger told the Board legislation approved last Friday is expected to meet the expectations of the Kansas Supreme Court. The court had ruled in late May that a fix to state funding still was not equitable for schools.

Dr. Kiblinger said the legislative action was a win for students because services would not be disrupted and for district taxpayers.

“Basically, schools will receive the full amount of LOB (local option budget) and capital outlay equalization they were entitled to before the block grants,” Dr. Kiblinger said in a memorandum to district staff earlier Monday. “The LOB equalization is a win for taxpayers. It does not impact how much money schools receive, but it means more comes from the state general fund instead of through our local property taxes.

“The district will see a slight increase in our capital outlay equalization. This slight increase will allow the district to continue its replacement cycles for building roofs and technology.”

USD 308 is one of the plaintiff districts in a lawsuit that alleges state funding for K-12 education in Kansas is both inequitable and inadequate. The Kansas Supreme Court will consider further arguments on the adequacy of state funding for schools later this year.

Also during Monday’s meeting the Board:

- Approved minutes of the June 13 Board meeting.
- Approved changing the starting time of the July 11, 2016, Board meeting to 6 p.m. The Board is in the process of moving up its meeting time by an hour and is expected to make the 6 p.m. start time the standard for the 2016-17 school year during the reorganizational meeting on July 11.

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- Approved the purchase of computers for computer graphics and the Hutchinson Career and Technical Education Academy classrooms.
- Approved the purchase of iLit, tiered interventions for grades six through 12.
- Received the annual fund raiser report.
- Approved submitted job descriptions.
- Approved the purchase of Chromebook computers.
- Approved the purchase of security cameras and entry door hardware.
- Approved the purchase of air conditioning units for the Administration Center and Support Services Center.
- Approved the Treasurer's Report for May 2016.
- Held a study session on Operational Expectations No. 4 – Personnel Administration.

## **Personnel Report**

The Board approved the following personnel changes in the district.

### **Hired**

- Malinda Bender, English Language Arts Teacher, Hutchinson Middle School - 7, effective 2016-17 school year
- MaryBeth Bryant, Grade 1 Teacher, Graber Elementary School, effective 2016-17 school year
- Tyler Lanning, Social Worker, Educational Service Center, effective 2016-17 school year
- Rebecca Pickett, Grade 3 Teacher, Wiley Elementary School, effective 2016-17 school year
- Cadi Sanchez, Family Liaison Social Worker, Administration Center, effective 2016-17 school year
- Kimberly Steinert, Health Assistant, Avenue A Elementary, effective 2016-17 school year
- Kris Friesen, Substitute Health Assistant, District, effective 2016-17 school year

### **Resignations**

- Adam Krol, Head Baseball Coach, Hutchinson High School, effective end of 2015-16 school year
- Valerie Armstrong, Curriculum and Instruction Secretary, Administration Center, effective July 15, 2016

### **Termination**

- Richard Martin, Custodian/Night, Hutchinson High School, effective June 16, 2016

### **Position Change, From, To**

- Austin Souidary, Hearing Impaired Para/High School, Hearing Impaired Para/Wiley Elementary, effective 2016-17 school year

## **Gifts to Schools**

The Board formally accepted and thanked donors of the following gifts.

- Cash totaling \$40,078.52 from 93 donors for Hutchinson High School activities for the period July 1, 2015, to June 16, 2016.

**Next meeting**

The next regular meeting of the Board will be the annual organizational meeting of the body at 6 p.m. July 11, 2016, at the Administration Center, 1520 North Plum.