



*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 briefed on plans for possible summer furlough

Hutchinson Public Schools is making plans and communicating with staff and the community about what could happen if the Kansas Legislature is unable to address funding equity issues, and the state Supreme Court orders schools closed.

Superintendent Dr. Shelly Kiblinger discussed those plans with the USD 308 Board of Education Monday (May 9, 2016) during the body's regular meeting. The district is a plaintiff in a lawsuit that alleges state funding for schools is both inequitable and inadequate.

The Kansas Supreme Court has ruled on the equity portion of the lawsuit and given the Kansas Legislature until June 30 to develop a plan that meets with the court's approval. Oral arguments on a plan the Legislature approved in March occur Tuesday (May 10, 2016).

Any impact on schools would not occur until after July 1 when most staff is not at work. Dr. Kiblinger anticipates it would take several days for any court order to go into effect, giving staff who work in the summer time to close down facilities.

Once shut down, Dr. Kiblinger anticipates a small skeleton crew would be allowed to work. Those individuals primarily would monitor district facilities to make sure nothing breaks and is secure. She also anticipates the court would allow the district to pay property and liability insurance, make bond and interest payments, pay utilities and other critical decision makers, including the superintendent.

Other 12-month hourly and salaried employees would be furloughed and any activity that used district facilities would not be held. Those activities include summer camps, feeding programs and extended school year/summer school programs. District credit cards would be shut down to avoid fraud but also have the impact preventing staff from attending summer professional development.

If the shutdown/furlough lasts long enough, it could impact the start of school in 2016-17. Currently, enrollment for school is the first week of August with the first day of school for pre-kindergarten through ninth graders is Aug. 17.

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The superintendent has posted information on the district website, has done one video for staff and plans on sending additional communications to staff as the picture becomes clearer.

The superintendent will attend Tuesday's court hearing in Topeka.

Dr. Kiblinger's video message to staff is available online at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=N7I7PMBepHM&feature=youtu.be>. The district's second "frequently asked questions" memo is available on the district website at [www.usd308.com](http://www.usd308.com).

Also during Monday's meeting the Board:

- Heard a Continuous Improvement Report from Hutchinson Middle Schools.
- Heard a report on district mentoring efforts for new teachers and school specialists.
- Reviewed Operational Expectations 13 – Facilities and 3 – Treatment of Stakeholders.
- Approved the Extended Stay – Alternative Learning Program for 2016-17. This pilot program at the old Grandview School will provide additional resources for a group of students needing more intensive help.
- Approved minutes of the April 25, 2016, Board meeting.
- Approved an out-of-state student activity request for debate and forensics students to attend the National Debate and Speech Association Nationals at Salt Lake City in June.
- Approved a 5-cent increase in full-price student and adult lunches for 2016-17.
- Approved Kansas Association of School Boards membership and Legal Assistance Fund.
- Approved items for the surplus property sale for spring 2016.
- Approved bids for the new parking lot at Lincoln Elementary School.
- Approved the annual licensing agreement with Microsoft.
- Approved the Supplemental Salary Committee meeting minutes.
- Approved an interpreting/translation agreement with Cindy Flores.
- Approved the CHAMPS/DSC onsite observations and debriefing for Safe and Civil Schools.
- Approved the Accounts Payable Report for April 2016.
- Reviewed Governance Culture No. 10 – Governance Cost.
- Debriefed on the student linkage the Board had with Hutchinson High School students in April.
- Held an executive session for negotiations with NEA-Hutchinson.

## **Personnel Report**

The Board approved the following personnel changes.

### **Personnel Report**

#### **Recommendations for Employment**

- Michelle Barreiro, English Language Arts Teacher, HMS-7, effective 2016-17 school year
- Brandi Boese, Grade 3 Teacher, Faris Elementary School, effective 2016-17 school year
- Maria Bujanda, Physical Education Teacher, HMS-7, effective 2016-17 school year
- Aaron Deitchler, Social Studies Teacher, HMS-7, effective 2016-17 school year
- Jean Dingler, Science Teacher, HMS-8, effective 2016-17 school year

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- Amanda Feldhus, Special Education Teacher, Wiley Elementary School, effective 2016-17 school year
- Ruth Schneider, Special Education Teacher, HMS-7, effective 2016-17 school year
- Casey Sedbrook, Physical Education Teacher, Hutchinson High School, effective 2016-17 school year
- Julie Stucky, Director of Fiscal Management, Administration Center, effective July 1, 2016
- Brook Klassen, Resource Room Para, Hutchinson High School
- Juanita Adams, Temporary Summer Custodian, Support Service Center
- Misty Barnum, Temporary Summer Custodian, Support Service Center
- Lisa Bohlen, Temporary Summer Custodian, Support Service Center
- Krista Bontrager, Temporary Summer Custodian, Support Service Center
- Areisha Cuellar, Temporary Summer Custodian, Support Service Center
- Diana Duryee, Temporary Summer Custodian, Support Service Center
- Jennifer Halley, Temporary Summer Custodian, Support Service Center
- Angela Holcomb, Temporary Summer Custodian, Support Service Center
- Taronda Hooker, Temporary Summer Custodian, Support Service Center
- Keeliza Loewen, Temporary Summer Custodian, Support Service Center
- Martha Mascarenas, Temporary Summer Custodian, Support Service Center
- Nancy Myrtle, Temporary Summer Custodian, Support Service Center
- Jessica Novack, Temporary Summer Custodian, Support Service Center
- Lorrie Patterson, Temporary Summer Custodian, Support Service Center
- Tammi Preston, Temporary Summer Custodian, Support Service Center
- Alex Rodriguez, Temporary Summer Custodian, Support Service Center
- Clint Rodriguez, Temporary Summer Custodian, Support Service Center
- Jamie Rodriguez, Temporary Summer Custodian, Support Service Center
- Desiree Ross, Temporary Summer Custodian, Support Service Center
- Virginia Roth, Temporary Summer Custodian, Support Service Center
- Lisa Shelton, Temporary Summer Custodian, Support Service Center
- Rachel Tripp, Temporary Summer Custodian, Support Service Center
- Cathleen Williams, Temporary Summer Custodian, Support Service Center
- Kaylene Wright, Temporary Summer Custodian, Support Service Center
- Trent Webster, Temporary Summer Maintenance, Support Service Center
- James Edwards, Temporary Summer Maintenance, Support Service Center
- Martin Garcia, Temporary Summer Maintenance, Support Service Center
- Ashley Garcia, Temporary Summer Maintenance, Support Service Center
- Ja'Kell Tolbert, Temporary Summer Maintenance, Support Service Center
- Vince Vieyra, Temporary Summer Maintenance, Support Service Center
- Rhonda Rodriguez, Temporary Summer Maintenance, Support Service Center
- Christopher Schroeder, Temporary Summer Maintenance, Support Service Center
- Melissa Abousamra, Grade 5 Teacher, Morgan Elementary School, effective 2016-17 school year

### **Resignations**

- Zachary Brown, Debate/Forensics Teacher, Hutchinson High School, effective end of 2015-16 school year

- Angela Schnetzler, Art Teacher, Morgan Elementary and Lincoln Elementary, effective end of 2015-16 school year
- Courtney Beasley, Daycare Assistant, Hutchinson High School, effective May 6, 2016
- Raphaela Garcia, Assistant Baker, Lincoln Elementary, effective May 6, 2016
- Nancy Frank, Resource Room Para, Morgan Elementary, effective May 20, 2016
- Michelle Ball, Teachers Assistant/Bus/Lunch Aide, Head Start/South Hutch, effective May 24, 2016
- Kenneth Walker, Resource Room Para, HMS-8, effective May 24, 2016
- Teresa Kaplan, Assistant Main Dish, HMS-8, effective May 9, 2016
- Kathy Ratley, Cafeteria Aide, Hutchinson High School, effective May 20, 2016

#### **Position Changes, From, To**

- Jennifer Cochrane, Grade 6 Teacher/Morgan, English Language Arts Teacher/HMS-8, effective 2016-17 school year
- Jamie Cornelsen, Pre-Kindergarten Teacher/Graber, Educational Specialist/Head Start, effective 2016-17 school year
- Alice Schmidt-Boyd, Special Education Teacher, Avenue A, Special Education Instructional Coach/Educational Service Center, effective 2016-17 school year
- Mary Brillhart, Speech Language Para/Lincoln, Title 1 Educational Aide/Lincoln, effective 2016-17 school year
- Herminia Benitez, Special Education Teacher/HMS-7, Special Education Teacher/Avenue A, effective 2016-17 school year

#### **Retirement**

- Thomas Vieyra, Master Electrician, Support Service Center, effective July 29, 2016

### **Gifts to Schools**

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

- \$120 from Kathryn Thiessen to the Hutchinson High School Child Care for staff treats.
- A used Kenmore microwave oven from Crane Law to the Administration Center.

### **Next Meeting**

The next regularly scheduled meeting of the Board will be at 7 p.m. Monday, May 23, 2016, at the Administration Center. Additionally, some members will attend the second negotiations session between the Board and NEA-Hutchinson at 4 p.m. Wednesday at the Administration Center. Board members also will attend and congratulate HHS graduates at commencement Sunday, May 22, 2016, at 2 p.m. in the Sports Arena.