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2016-17 SCHOOL YEAR

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Board begins superintendent selection process

The Hutchinson Public Schools Board of Education Monday (April 10, 2017) began the process of finding its next superintendent.

The Board heard a presentation from Gary Sechrist, leadership services field specialist for the Kansas Association of School Boards, about the services the association can provide the Board in finding a new superintendent. KASB has provided search assistance for the hiring of superintendents since at least 2000. After hearing Sechrist's presentation, the Board voted to table a motion on the superintendent search.

Thursday, current Superintendent Dr. Shelly Kiblinger announced she was resigning from the district to move to a district closer to her family in southeast Kansas. Beginning July 1, Dr. Kiblinger will become superintendent at Cherryvale USD 447.

During Monday's meeting, Jim Porter, chairman of the Kansas State Board of Education, delivered five challenge awards to three district schools. The awards recognize Kansas schools that are making a notable difference in student achievement despite facing significant challenges in their school population. Since its inception in 2002, about 1,400 awards have been presented to schools across the state.

Schools and grade levels receiving the awards were:

- Hutchinson Magnet School at Allen: Sixth grade math
- Lincoln Elementary School: Third grade reading
- Lincoln: Third grade math
- Lincoln: Sixth grade reading
- Hutchinson Middle School – 7: Seventh grade reading

Also during Monday's meeting the Board:

- Heard a Continuous Improvement Report from Hutchinson Magnet School at Allen.
- Heard an update on 2017-18 budget planning. The Kansas Legislature did not approve a school finance formula before first adjournment Friday. It reconvenes for the veto session on May 1.

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- Approved the resignation of Board Member Rudy Rodriguez. Rodriguez told the Board his new job will not allow him to attend meetings on a regular basis. The Board tabled a resolution that would have begun the process to fill the vacancy. Currently, the filing period for the Board's fall elections is open, closing on June 1. Members wanted to see how many candidates filed for the Board.
- Approved minutes of the March 13, 2017, Board meeting.
- Approved submitted grant applications.
- Approved Operational Expectations No. 7 – Asset Protection.
- Approved Blue Cross/Blue Shield renewal for 2017-18 for district staff health insurance. Rates for the high-deductible plan will go up just under 0.5 percent – well below the rate of inflation – while the traditional deductible plan will see rates decrease by 0.6 percent.
- Approve the annual Microsoft license renewal.
- Approve the annual Skyward Business software renewal.
- Approved bids for serving line equipment at HMS-7 and Hutchinson Magnet School – 8.
- Approved bids for cafeteria seating at HMS-8.
- Approved new courses for Hutchinson High School, Hutchinson Career and Technical Education Academy and Hutchinson Middle School.
- Approved a retirement plan account trustee change request.
- Approved the 2017-18 school calendar.
- Approved Operational Expectations No. 3 – Treatment of External Stakeholders.
- Approved the purchase of commercial Hobart mixers for base kitchens at HHS and HMS-7.
- Approved the purchase of a commercial convection oven for the HHS base kitchen.
- Approved the February 2017 Treasurer's Report.
- Approved the March 2017 Accounts Payable Report.
- Held an executive session to discuss non-elected personnel.
- Reviewed Board-Superintendent Relations Policy No. 5 and Superintendent Evaluation.
- Reviewed Governance Culture for Board Purpose, Governing Commitment and Board Job Description.
- Began planning for a student linkage for later this spring. Dates the Board looked at were April 27 or May 1 at Hutchinson High School.

Personnel Report

The Board approved the following personnel changes.

Hired

- Whitney Berg, Family and Consumer Science Teacher, Career and Technical Education Academy, effective 2017-18 school year
- Sarah Divine, Grade 4 Teacher, Lincoln Elementary School, effective 2017-18 school year
- Tracy Goracke, School Counselor, Faris Elementary School, effective 2017-18 school year
- Stacey Williams, Elementary Band Teacher, Avenue A Elementary School, effective 2017-18 school year
- Linda Jones, CSS Para, Graber Elementary School, effective March 20, 2017
- Jennifer Hamrick, Permanent Para Substitute, District, effective April 3, 2017
- Billy Blackburn, Custodian/Night, Morgan Elementary School, effective April 6, 2017

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Resignations

- Kylee Baldetti, Art Teacher, Hutchinson Middle School - 8, effective end of 2016-17 school year
- Rebecca DeBoard, School Counselor, Faris Elementary School, effective end of 2016-17 school year
- Aaron Deitchler, Social Studies Teacher, Hutchinson Middle School - 7, effective end of 2016-17 school year
- Amy Delaney, Grade 2 Teacher, Faris Elementary School, effective end of 2016-17 school year
- Connie Kersenbrock, Social Worker, Faris Elementary School, effective end of 2016-17 school year
- Lindsey Palmer, Grade 1 Teacher, Faris Elementary School, effective end of 2016-17 school year
- Kelli Regehr, Grade 4 Teacher, Graber Elementary School, effective end of 2016-17 school year
- Sunny Smart, Special Education Teacher, McCandless Elementary School, effective end of 2016-17 school year
- Kara Warren, Grade 6 Teacher, Graber Elementary School, effective end of 2016-17 school year
- Sara Webster, Grade 1 Teacher, Faris Elementary School, effective end of 2016-17 school year
- Adam Willis, Technology Teacher, Hutchinson Middle School - 8, effective end of 2016-17 school year
- Mary Reilly, Medicaid Clerk, Administration Center, effective Oct. 31, 2016
- Krystal Zefer-John, Head Start Lunch Aide, McCandless Elementary School, effective March 2, 2017
- Krstin Frisen, Substitute Nurse, District, effective March 13, 2017
- Lauren Kauffman, Substitute Nurse, District, effective March 13, 2017
- Rebekka Werner, Modified Para, Avenue A Elementary School, effective March 14, 2017
- David Smiley, Custodian, Hutcherson Center, effective March 20, 2017
- Nicole Sullivan, Teachers Assistant, Hutcherson Center, effective March 20, 2017
- Paige Rose, Playground Aide, Faris Elementary School, effective March 24, 2017
- Elvia Puga, ESL Aide, Hutchinson Middle School - 8, effective March 24, 2017
- Nicole Wells, Modified Para, Avenue A Elementary School, effective March 24, 2017
- J. Matthew Glass, General Maintenance Electrician, Support Service Center, effective April 6, 2017
- Camile Wuthnow, Title 1 Educational Aide, Morgan Elementary School, effective April 13, 2017
- Linda Alonzo, Resource Room Para, Graber Elementary School, effective May 24, 2017
- Brianna Linn, Speech Language Para, Hutchinson Magnet School at Allen, effective May 24, 2017
- P Kathy Perrett, Assistant Main Dish, Hutchinson Middle School - 8, effective May 25, 2017
- Loretta Smith, Head Baker, Hutchinson Middle School - 8, effective May 25, 2017

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Position Changes, From, To

- Brett Arndt, Special Education Teacher/HMS at Allen, Special Education Teacher/HMS-8, effective 2017-18 school year
- Brad Binns, Social Studies Teacher/Hutchinson High School, Assistant Principal/Morgan Elementary School, effective 2017-18 school year
- Whitney Deitchler, Substitute Teacher/Administration Center, Grade 2 Teacher/Hutchinson Magnet School at Allen, effective 2017-18 school year
- Sarah Mullins, Student Support Services/Hutchinson Middle School - 8, School Counselor/Hutchinson Magnet School at Allen, effective 2017-18 school year
- Carly Torres, Educational Aide/Lincoln Elementary School, Grade 5 Teacher/Lincoln Elementary School, effective 2017-18 school year
- Megan Yoder, School Psych Para/Educational Service Center, Family and Consumer Science Teacher/HMS - 7, effective 2017-18 school year
- Amanda Johnson, Substitute Teachers Assistant/Head Start, Teachers Assistant/Head Start, effective March 15, 2017
- Nicole Wells, Substitute Para-Secretary/District, Modified Para/Avenue A Elementary, effective March 20, 2017
- Michele McGrane, Food Service Admin. Secretary/SSC, Middle School Secretary/HMS-8, effective April 10, 2017

Gifts to Schools

The Board formally accepted the following gifts to schools and thanked donors.

- Mr. and Mrs. Eric Jantz, \$100 to Wiley Elementary School for students need assistance with meals.
- \$200 from Fifi and Ken Eckrote to Hutchinson Magnet School at Allen for books for first-grade students.
- 50 crochet hats from the Crochet Angels to Hutchinson Magnet School at Allen for third graders to keep them warm.
- \$500 from Portfolio Recovery Associates to HHS for football.
- \$400 from Ted and Wendy Hobart to HHS for football.
- \$500 from Marcia and Phillip Stines to HHS for football.
- \$300 from Hutchinson Regional Medical Center to HHS for football.
- \$344.75 from Reno County USBC Association to HHS for bowling.
- \$1,000 from Bretz & Young Charitable Foundation to HHS for International Baccalaureate Community Service.
- \$1,000 from Disability Supports of the Great Plains to HHS for International Baccalaureate Community Service.
- \$500 from Salt Creek Interior Design to HHS for International Baccalaureate Community Service.
- \$100 from Pediatric Dentistry to HHS for International Baccalaureate Community Service.
- \$100 from Radley Brooks to HHS for International Baccalaureate Community Service.
- \$100 from Allen Samuels to HHS for International Baccalaureate Community Service.
- \$100 from West 5th Pet Sitters, Inc., to HHS for International Baccalaureate Community Service.

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Next Meeting

The next regular study meeting of the Board will be at 6 p.m. April 24 at the Hutcherson Center. The Board typically meets at the Hutcherson Center, home of Head Start and Parents As Teachers, once during the year.