

**Argonia Public Schools**  
**Unified School District 359**  
**202 E. Allen**  
**Argonia, KS 67004**

*A Collaborative Family Creating a Legacy of Pride through Uncompromising Excellence*

**UNAPPROVED MINUTES**  
**September 9, 2019**

**Call to Order:** Board member Joe Allen called the September 9, 2019, meeting to order at 7:00 pm with four members present. Those members were Joe Allen, Brian Fitch, Melinda McCurley, and Tiffani Vaughn. Also present were Superintendent Julie McPherron, Principal Mark Russo, Sue Randall, and Christy Gonzales. Sarah Vineyard was unable to attend the meeting.

**Approve Agenda:** A motion was made by Melinda McCurley to approve the agenda as presented. Tiffani Vaughn seconded the motion. Motion carried 4-0.

Board President Shane Morrison arrived at 7:01 pm.

**Audience:** Members of the Salter House Museum Board were in attendance to receive art work created by Argonia Elementary honoring Mrs. Salter. Those members included Rita Figg, Helen Cole, Carol Pearce, Valerie Wade, and Joan Hemberger.

The Salter House Museum Board members left at 7:05 pm.

**Consent Items:**

**Approval of Minutes:** A motion was made by Tiffani Vaughn to approve the meeting minutes of August 12, 2019. Brian Fitch seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

**Approval of Warrants:** Brian Fitch made a motion to approve the warrants as presented. Joe Allen seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

**Reports:**

**High School Principal:** Mr. Russo presented his report. Topics of discussion included attendance issues, the Argonia Jr.-Sr. High band marching in the State Fair parade in Hutchinson, eligibility week for Jr. High, JV football, HS and JH football stats., picture day, new student enrollment for Jr.-Sr. High, and yearbook.

**Sumner County Interlocal 619:** Tiffani Vaughn attended the August 26, 2019, meeting and presented her report.

**SCKESC:** Joe Allen did not attend the September 4, 2019, meeting.

**Supt/Elem. Principal:** Dr. McPherron presented the Supt/Elem Principal report to the board. She shared with the board information on district enrollment numbers, the open board position, newsletter mailings, the Walmart grant, HS VB fund request, and upcoming activities related to Homecoming on Friday, October 11<sup>th</sup> 2019.

### **Discussion and/or Appropriate Action:**

**Walmart Grant:** A motion was made by Shane Morrison and seconded by Brian Fitch to accept the grant from the Walmart foundation. Motion carried 5-0.

**Contract Approvals:** A motion was made by Brian Fitch and seconded by Tiffani Vaughn to approve contracts for Christy Gonzales as the new Board Clerk, Kelly Mock, and Isaiah Lacey. Motion carried 5-0.

**Supplemental Contracts:** A motion was made by Brian Fitch to approve track supplemental contracts as presented. The motion was seconded by Melinda McCurley. Motion carried 5-0.

**Board Policies:** Joe Allen made a motion to waive the second reading of the board policies and approve board policy updates CN, CNA, EBBE, GAA, GAAB, GACC, GAE, GAHB, GAOE, GBH, GBN, IFC, JBC as presented. Shane Morrison seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

**Resolution to Extend Term of Office:** Shane Morrison made a motion to approve a term extension for those board members running for re-election due to elections moving from April 2019 to November 2019. Tiffani Vaughn seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

**Elementary Playground Equipment:** Brian Fitch made a motion to approve matching funds raised by PTO for new playground equipment as well as provide funds for the playground surface and installation oversight as discussed. The motion was seconded by Tiffani Vaughn and carried 5-0.

**Executive Session:** Melinda McCurley made a motion to go into executive session at 8:35 PM for 15 minutes to discuss non-elected personnel exception under KOMA. Joe Allen seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0. Dr. McPherron and Mr. Russo were invited to stay.

The board returned to regular session at 8:50 PM

Melinda McCurley made a motion to go into executive session at 8:50 PM for 15 minutes to discuss confidential student information with exception relating to actions adversely or favorably affecting a student under KOMA. Joe Allen seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0. Dr. McPherron and Mr. Russo were invited to stay.

The board returned to regular session at 9:10 PM.

**Adjournment:** The meeting adjourned at 9:16 pm.