

BOARD MEETING REPORT

Monday, March 12, 2012

Jamie Bradley was the only board member absent. Action taken was on a 6-0 vote unless noted otherwise.

7:00 P.M. REGULAR MEETING

AUDIENCE WITH THE BOARD

Kacia Marrs shared her insights of the Drama/Forensics course that was begun this year.

REPORTS

BOE – None

Mr. McDaniel – His report included: departmental meetings; recommending a semester (.5) graduation requirement of a Civics course; congratulating the HS Boys' Basketball Team on qualifying for state; state assessments begin on March 13; a Fine Arts Night will be held on Friday, March 30 at 7:00 p.m.; announced the Dane Hanson Scholarship winners; we are taking 20 music solos to Regional contest; and reported some of the HOA MS Music contest ratings.

Mrs. Sprinkle – Her report included: meeting with the students to set individual goals on the state assessments; the testing theme this year is "Stomp the Test"; the elementary school will be a monitored school for state assessments; the Local Consolidated Plan Monitoring Visit went well; the School Improvement Council is revising the Parent Involvement Policy; teachers in Grades 3 – 6 will be attending Common Core Standard Academies this summer; the eReaders are in high demand by 5th and 6th grade students; a Personal eReader Policy has been written; iPads are in HIGH demand; and Hoops/Jump Rope for Heart will be on March 16.

Mr. Minneman – His report included: an update on legislation; the area superintendents had put together a rebuttal to the advertisement by the Kansas Policy Institute that has been in the *Salina Journal* (the rebuttal was in the Wednesday, March 14, paper); replacement of the bus tires damaged in the vandalism cost \$7,420.13; principal interviews will take place the week of March 26; HOA League alignment; Mr. Weis was selected to serve on a multi-state committee to write test items that assess the competency of secondary students seeking to graduate from a Comprehensive Agriculture pathway program; read two thank you notes; and dates that he will be attending meetings out of the district before the next meeting.

BUSINESS

Accept Gymnasium Air Conditioning Bids—All bids were rejected since they were higher than anticipated. The board will now look at the possibility of installing ceiling/ventilation fans.

Football Fundraising Request—The football team was given approval to fundraise for the purpose of purchasing new football uniforms for the coming year.

Dance Team Request—The request to be recognized as an official district supported activity was approved.

Cheerleader Request—The request for cheerleaders to also participate in a sport during the same season was approved. Cheerleading is classified by the KSHSAA as an "Activity" rather than as a "Sport". The maximum number of cheerleaders was set at 7 with the possibility that there also be a mascot and yell leaders that would perform only at home games until post season play when they could travel. The maximum number of Dance Team members was set at 12.

Supplemental Positions—Doug Wilson was approved as a 2nd Asst. HS Track coach and Nathan Burgess was approved as a 2nd Asst. Baseball coach.

Approve Out-of-District Students—The three recommended students were approved.

MS/HS Student Handbook Changes—Mr. McDaniel presented potential changes to the MS/HS Student Handbook for next year. No action was taken this month and this item will be brought back next month for action.

There were no Executive Sessions. The board met at 6:30 for a demonstration on conducting a "paperless" meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 9:54 p.m.

The next regular meeting will be **Tuesday, April 10** at 7:00 p.m. in the District Office in Brookville. If anyone wishes to have an item added to the agenda, please contact President Jeff Parker, Vice-President Anita Bird or the District Office two weeks prior to the meeting.

ELEMENTARY SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL MINUTES

Tuesday, March 6, 2012

In attendance were: Dana Sprinkle, Kathy Randolph, Robbyn Anglin, Margaret Shaver, Kim Parks, Susan Stateham, Melissa Wessel and Pam Dodd.

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Chairperson Kathy Randolph and turned over to Mrs. Sprinkle.

Mrs. Sprinkle provided new and updated pages for School Profile notebooks. This material was reviewed at length.

Also presented for review was a brochure created for use by parents at building team meetings. It contains the names of staff members, a glossary of terms used by school professionals and space for notes or questions.

Mrs. Sprinkle reported on LCP (Local Consolidated Plan). This is a federally funded plan separate from the school budget, involving Title students, ESL students, staff development, etc. Documentation was sent to the state for review, and a conference call was held last week to discuss the findings. Of 65 items, only 2 corrections were made. 1. A sentence needs to be added to state a parents' right to request a teacher's qualifications. 2. A specific board policy is needed regarding homeless students to include guidelines for staff that ensure these students have equal educational opportunities. It was suggested that Ell-Saline continue revising the Parent Involvement Policy, encouraging parent support at home and school (volunteering, participating in decision making processes, etc.)

Homework: Read the Parent Involvement Policy and make any suggestions, changes, additions you may have. This will be discussed at the next meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 7:10 p.m. Next meeting is May 1, 2012, at 6:00 p.m.

TOBACCO FREE KANSAS COALITION

The Ell-Saline Career and Life Studies class received a grant of \$733.90 from the Tobacco Free Kansas Coalition to implement youth activities targeted for tobacco use prevention in Brookville. The Career and Life Planning class is part of a statewide movement against tobacco.

Tobacco use remains a leading public health issue in Kansas. Currently 17.1% of Kansas youth say they smoke. The mini-grant goal is to encourage creativity in youth-led projects that focus on activities that protect teens and their peers from becoming addicted to cigarettes and tobacco products.

Students in Mrs. Nelson's class brainstormed on various ideas and voted on the all school dodge ball tournament theme created by Lucas Base and Kaleb Whitehair. "Tobacco Free" kick balls, an instructive DVD, "Spit Tobacco Kills" and a "No smoking" entrance mat were purchased for the school. The class selected red "#SWAG" t-shirts with the Tobacco Free Kansas Coalition logo on the back to show that it's cool to be tobacco free.

The dodge ball tournament was held on the afternoon of Feb.15 with very close games. The class of 2015 was victorious with the juniors taking 2nd place and sophomores seizing 3rd place. Awards, trophies and snacks were distributed.

Along with tobacco free activities, teams of high school students are forming to participate in the American Cancer Society Saline County Youth Relay For Life, April 28th at Salina Stadium. The public is invited to attend from 6-11 p.m. Cancer survivors, victims and their caregivers will be honored with a luminary ceremony.

The Tobacco Free Kansas Coalition, Inc. (TFKC) received a grant from the Kansas Health Foundation, a national public health foundation devoted to tobacco use prevention and cessation, to support youth tobacco prevention efforts in Kansas.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Check for changes at www.ellsaline.org

Apr. 2	8:00 HS HOA League Forensics @ Bennington	Apr. 19	4:00 MS TR @ Moundridge
Apr. 3	3:30 MS HOA League Scholar's Bowl @ Moundridge	Apr. 20	3:00 HS TR @ Lincoln
Apr. 3	3:00 SB/BSB Inman @ ES	Apr. 23	4:00 HS JV TR @ Tescott
Apr. 4	9:00 HS HOA League Art @ Trinity Catholic	Apr. 24	9:30 MS TR @ Beloit (So. Cloud)
Apr. 5	FFA @ Concordia	Apr. 24	4:00 BSB @ Little River
Apr. 5	3:00 SB Lincoln @ ES	Apr. 25	Kindergarten Roundup
Apr. 5	4:00 MS TR @ Berean Academy	Apr. 25	Administrative Professionals Day
Apr. 5	3:30 HS TR @ Southeast of Saline	Apr. 26	6:30 ES FFA Banquet
Apr. 6	NO SCHOOL—Easter Break	Apr. 27	MS/HS Industrial Arts @ Hays
Apr. 6	FFA Easter Egg Hunt @ Brookville City Park	Apr. 27	10:00 HS TR @ Beloit
Apr. 6	Good Friday	Apr. 27	4:00 SB/BSB @ Marion
Apr. 7	HS Science Olympiad @ Wichita	Apr. 28	9:00-3:30 CPTA Track @ Ell-Saline High School
Apr. 8	Easter Sunday	Apr. 28	TBA HS Music State
Apr. 9	NO SCHOOL—Easter Break	Apr. 29-May 1	FFA CDE @ KSU
Apr. 9	6:30 NCD FFA Banquet @ Abilene	Apr. 30	7:00 3-4 Music Program at Ell-Saline Middle/High School
Apr. 10	3:00 SB/BSB Moundridge @ ES	May 1	9:00 MS TR @ Beloit (St. John's)
Apr. 10	7:00 BOE Meeting at Ell-Saline District Office	May 1	3:00 HS TR @ Tescott
Apr. 11	9:00 Art @ Hays	May 1	3:00 SB/BSB Canton-Galva @ ES
Apr. 12	4:00 MS TR @ ES	May 1	6:00 ESIC Meeting at Ell-Saline Elementary
Apr. 12	4:30 SB Sacred Heart @ ES	May 2	9:00 HOA League Industrial Arts/Ag @ ES
Apr. 13	3:00 SB/BSB @ Bennington	May 2	6:00 MS/HS Site Council Meeting at Ell-Saline Middle/High School
Apr. 14	ACT Test Date	May 3	Sr. Class Semester Finals
Apr. 14	Junior/Senior Prom	May 3	6:00 Senior Trip Parent Meeting
Apr. 16	6:30 CPTA Meeting at Ell-Saline Elementary	May 4	Sr. Class Semester Finals
Apr. 16	7:00 7-12 Music Concert at Ell-Saline Middle/High School	May 4	Gr. 3-6 Reading Renaissance Celebration
Apr. 17	3:00 SB/BSB Sedgwick @ ES	May 4	3:00 HS TR @ Lincoln
Apr. 17	3:00 HS TR @ Russell (Wilson)	May 4	3:00 HS TR @ Lincoln
Apr. 18	State Large Group Music @ Marion	May 5-9	Senior Trip
Apr. 19	3:00 BSB Smoky Valley @ ES		

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