

Doniphan County Education Coop #616  
Regular Board  
Meeting  
August 16, 2023 at 6:15 pm

The Regular Board Meeting was called to order by President Sue Bartley at 6:15 pm. (Call to Order)

Moment of Silence was taken. (Moment of Silence)

Nathan Geiger, Troy  
John Gladhart, Doniphan West  
Sue Bartley & Erin Shackelford, Riverside  
Dr. Volora Hanzlicek, Doniphan West Superintendent  
Pat McKernan, Troy Superintendent  
Jennifer Gatz, Riverside Superintendent (Members Present)

Kristin Franken, Director  
Sheila Marriott, Board Clerk

Steve Bowe, Troy & Wes Keller, Doniphan West (Members Absent)

Nathan Geiger made a motion to approve the agenda.  
John Gladhart seconded. Motion carried (4-0). (Agenda)

Nathan Geiger made a motion to approve the consent agenda.  
John Gladhart seconded. Motion carried (4-0). (Consent Agenda)

Public Forum:  
None (Patron Communications)

Director Report

All at DCEC would like to extend a heartfelt thank you and much appreciation to Barb Derrick who served as a board member for DCEC since 2012. Erin Shackelford was welcomed as a new board member representing Riverside Schools. DCEC received a thank you note from Elaine Noynaert. DCEC sponsored two days of nonviolent crisis prevention training over 70 participants from all three districts as well as participants from KANZA. Open enrollment was held on Thursday, August 3<sup>rd</sup>. The KSDE SETS leadership conference was attended by the Director in late July. A back-to-school certified staff in-service/luncheon was held Wednesday, August 9<sup>th</sup>. The state audit has been completed, we are waiting on the final report. An in-depth review of our EMC insurance policy has been completed, we are working with our representative to cut costs. In discussions with district administrators, it was agreed upon that in efforts to maintain consistency across classified and certified staff within district buildings, moving forward for Christmas and teacher/paraprofessional appreciation day gifts the districts will bill DCEC for the cost associated with DCEC staff gifts for these two days. No additional gifts will be purchased by DCEC. The director will be attending a meeting next week in Leavenworth to learn more about new federal funding, \$6.4 million, available for our nine-county region in Kansas for Head Start programs. KSDE has been contacted to review the current interlocal agreement from 2009 and will give input on proposed changes.

Erin Shackelford made a motion to go into Executive Session for 20 minutes to discuss personnel matters pursuant to non-elected personnel exception under KOMA, the open meeting will resume in the meeting room at 6:40 pm. (Executive Session)  
Nathan Geiger seconded. Motion carried (4-0).  
Board President invited Kristin Franken-Director and the Superintendents to stay for executive session.

Meeting resumed at 6:40 pm.

No action resulting from executive session.

Kristin Franken recommended the board approve the resignations of paraprofessionals Micah Lambert, Jill Hontz, and Heather Slater. (Para Resignations)  
Nathan Geiger made a motion to approve the recommendation as presented.  
Erin Shackelford seconded. Motion Carried. (4-0).

Kristin Franken recommended the board approve paraprofessional contracts for Josephina Huff, Bethanee Clark, and Mickayla O'Hart. (Para Contracts)  
Erin Shackelford made a motion to approve the recommendation as presented.  
Nathan Geiger seconded. Motion Carried (4-0).

Kristin Franken recommended the board approve the FY '24 BC/BS health insurance policy. (Health Insurance)  
Erin Shackelford made a motion to approve the recommendation as presented.  
Nathan Geiger seconded. Motion Carried (4-0).

FY '24 EMC Insurance Policy - TABLED (EMC Insurance)

Kristin Franken recommended the board approve the FY '24 Kickapoo Nation School shared services contract for six days. (Kickapoo Nation)  
Nathan Geiger made a motion to approve the recommendation as presented.  
Erin Shackelford seconded. Motion Carried (4-0).

Kristin Franken recommended the board approve FY '24 KASB policy updates. (KASB Policy Updates)  
Erin Shackelford made a motion to approve the recommendation as presented.  
Nathan Geiger seconded. Motion Carried (4-0).

Erin Shackelford made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:44 p.m. (Adjourn)  
Nathan Geiger seconded. Motion Carried (4-0).

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Sheila Marriott , Clerk of the Board

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