

MINUTES  
BOARD OF EDUCATION  
UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 248  
GIRARD, KS  
September 12, 2024

The Board of Education of Unified School District 248 met in the Board Office on Thursday, September 12, 2024. President, Peggy Marshall, called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm. Board members present were: Henry Ashbacher, Roger Breneman, Aaron Coester, Dave Goble, Peggy Marshall, and Kelly Peak. Also present were: Superintendent, Todd Ferguson; Board Clerk, Randee Hanks; Board Treasurer, Charlene Bolinger; GHS Principal, Tim Davied; RVH Principal, Tina Daniel; RVH Assistant Principal, Joni Benso; GMS Teacher, Matt Burford; GHS Students, Madison Cranston and Josie Gronau; Tucker Hudson, Reporter with Hometown Girard; John Staton, with Greenbush.

Absent were: GHS Assistant Principal, Chris Swartz; GMS Principal, BJ Pruitt.

Roger Breneman moved, Kelly Peak seconded the motion for the approval of the agenda, approval of the minutes of the August 8, 2024 Board Meeting, approval of the treasurer's report and the bills be approved for payment, amounting to \$1,686,352.70. Motion carried 7 – 0.

Dave Goble moved, Kelly Peak seconded the motion to approve the following donations: \$1,000- Girard Lions- RVH Backpack; \$300- Booster Club- Per group Cross Country, Football, Volleyball, and Golf; \$50,000- Craw Kan- Red Wutke Light Project; \$29,429.90- KSDHE- Nurse Salary and testing supplies; \$10,000- GYA- Red Wutke Light Project; \$9,000- Pritchett Grant- Mrs. Ziegler RVH Stem; \$9,615 – Pritchett Grant- Mrs. James RVH Music; \$500- Community National Bank- Sports Flyers; \$500- Murphy Seed- FFA T-Shirts. Motion carried 7 – 0.

Introduction of the 2024-25 New USD 248 Teaching Staff: GMS Teacher, Matt Burford.

FBLA presentation by GHS students Madison Cranston and Josie Gronau.

USD 248 2024-2025 Student Enrollment Update

Henry Ashbacher moved, Lori Johnson seconded the motion to review bids for Bus purchases. A \$99,800 bid from Master's Transportation for 2 vehicles was approved. Motion carried 7 – 0.

Kelly Peak moved, Dave Goble seconded the motion to elect Peggy Marshall as delegate for the upcoming KASB Assembly. Motion carried 7 – 0.

Henry Ashbacher moved, Aaron Coester seconded the motion to elect Dave Goble as the alternate delegate for the upcoming KASB Assembly. Motion carried 7 – 0.

Dave Goble moved, Kelly Peak seconded the motion to approve the Classified Staff Shared Leave Pool as presented. Motion carried 7 – 0.

Superintendent, Todd Ferguson, presented the Facility/ Construction Updates.

The regular Board Meeting Ceased.

Lori Johnson moved, Henry Ashbacher seconded the motion to enter into the Budget Revenue Neutral Hearing at 7:00 pm. No questions arose from patrons about the Revenue Neutral Hearing.

Lori Johnson moved, Henry Ashbacher seconded the motion to adopt the following resolution: A resolution expressing the property taxation policy of USD 248 (Girard Schools) with respect to exceeding the Revenue Neutral Tax Rate for financing the annual budget for 2024-2025.

K.S.A. 79-2988, provides that a levy of property taxes to finance the 2024-2025 budget of USD 248 exceeds the Revenue Neutral Tax Rate to finance the 2024-2025 budget of USD 248, be authorized by a resolution.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE RESOLVED by USD 248 that the 2024-2025 budget with a levy of property taxes exceeding the Revenue Neutral Tax Rates calculated for 2024-2025, as adjusted pursuant of K.S.A. 79-2988 is hereby adopted.

Adopted this 12<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2024 by USD 248 Girard Schools in Crawford County Kansas.

Roll Call Vote:

Henry Ashbacher- Yes; Aaron Coester- Yes; Dave Goble- Yes; Lori Johnson- Yes; Peggy Marshall- Yes; Kelly Peak- Yes. Motion carried 6 – 0.

Entered into USD 248 2024-2025 Budget Hearing at 7:05 p.m.

Aaron Coester moved, Lori Johnson seconded the motion to adopt the following resolution:

Be It Resolved that: The above-named school board shall be authorized to make a Local Option Percentage in an amount of 32% percent for the 2024-2025 school year.

Certificate

THIS IS TO CERTIFY that the above Resolution was duly adopted by the board of education of Unified School District No. 248, Crawford County, Kansas, on the 12th day of September, 2024. Motion carried 6 - 0.

Aaron Coester moved, Lori Johnson seconded the motion to Adopt and Approve the 2024-2025 USD 248 Budget as published. Motion carried 6 – 0.

Back to regular session at 7:07 pm.

Kelly Peak moved, Lori Johnson seconded the motion to approve the recommended KASB Policy changes as presented. Motion carried 6 -0.

Dave Goble moved, Aaron Coester seconded the motion to enter into Executive Session at 7:12 pm for a period of 10 minutes, for discussion of Non-Elected Personnel under KOMA, with Board Members and Superintendent present. Motion carried 6 – 0.

Back to regular session at 7:22 pm.

Dave Goble moved, Aaron Coester seconded the motion to enter into Executive Session at 7:22 pm for a period of 7 minutes, for discussion of Non-Elected Personnel under KOMA, with Board Members and Superintended present. Motion carried 6 – 0.

Back to regular session at 7:29 pm.

Kelly Peak moved, Lori Johnson seconded the motion to approve the following employment recommendations: Jeff McDonald, GHS Assistant Girls Golf Coach; Makenzee Franklin, RVH Para; Kayla Pruitt and Jeremiah Hudson, Freshman Class Sponsors. Motion carried 6 – 0.

Dave Goble moved, Lori Johnson seconded the motion to approve the 2024-2025 Supplemental Salary Scale changes as presented. Motion carried 6 – 0.

Aaron Coester moved, Kelly Peak seconded the motion to approve the 2024-2025 Supplemental Salary Scale. Motion carried 6 – 0.

Principals' Reports in the Board Packets.

Superintendent, Todd Ferguson, discussed the Superintendent's Report.

Dave Goble moved, Henry Ashbacher seconded the motion to approve the new CD Transfer for Farmer's State Bank of Girard. Motion carried 6 – 0.

Southeast 637 Interlocal and Greenbush Report.

Henry Ashbacher moved, Aaron Coester seconded the motion for adjournment of the meeting at 7:45 pm. Motion carried 6 – 0.

Randee Hanks  
Clerk