

**Shawnee Heights U.S.D. 450  
Minutes of Regular Meeting**

**January 21, 2020**

The Board of Education of Shawnee Heights Unified School District No. 450, Shawnee County, Tecumseh, Kansas, met on Tuesday, January 21, 2020, at 7:00 P.M. at Shawnee Heights High School.

**1. Pledge of Allegiance**

**2. Call to Order**

**3. Roll Call**

Those present were:

Lauren Tice Miller, Board President  
Erica Price, Board Vice President  
Rocky Busenitz, Board Member  
Rosa Cavazos Board Member  
Eric Deitcher, Board Member  
Renaе Hansen, Board Member  
Dr. Martin Stessman, Superintendent  
Sara Hoyer, Board Clerk

Matt Hirsch, Associate Superintendent  
Dr. Kristin O’Brien, Special Education Director  
Stacey Bell, Secondary Curriculum Director  
Stacey Giebler, Elementary Curriculum Director  
Nathan Hofstra, Director of Support Services  
Blair Anderson, Technology Director  
Ed West, High School Principal  
Shannon O’Connor, Teacher

**4. Approval of:**

**a) Agenda**

Renaе Hansen moved to approve the agenda as submitted. Seconded Erica Price, motion carried 6-0.

**b) Minutes of January 6, 2020, Board Meeting**

Renaе Hansen moved to approve the minutes of the January 6, 2020, Board Meeting as submitted. Seconded by Erica Price, motion carried 6-0.

**5. Communications:**

**a) High School Site Council Report**

Ed West and Shannon O’Connor presented the Site Council Report for Shawnee Heights High School.

**b) Comments/Concerns from Patrons**

None.

**6. Action Items:**

**a) Reorganization of the Board of Education**

Renaе Hansen moved to appoint Lauren Tice Miller as President of the Shawnee Heights Board of Education for the 2020 Year. Seconded by Rosa Cavazos, motion carried 4-2.

Rocky Busenitz moved to appoint Erica Price as Vice-President of the Shawnee Heights Board of Education for the 2020 Year. Seconded by Renaе Hansen, motion carried 4-1, with one abstention.

6. **Action Items: (cont.)**

b) **Business by Consent**

- 1) Claims
- 2) Treasurer's Report
- 3) Classified Employment/Transfer/Resignation/Retirement

EMPLOYMENT

Lori Wiruth* (Effective 2/3/2020)	Preschool Teacher Aide	Tecumseh North
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Shannon Meck* (Effective 1/27/2020)	Para II	SHES
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\*Subject to successful completion of physical, tuberculosis test, drug test, and KBI background check.

TRANSFER

Amber Rathbun (Effective 1/27/2020)	Para I	SHES
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RESIGNATION

Frank Martin (Effective 1/21/2020)	Bus Driver	Transportation
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RETIREMENT

Betty Hansford (Effective 1/31/2020)	Food Service	Tecumseh North
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- 4) Supplemental Employment/Resignation

EMPLOYMENT

Laura Wiseman (Effective 12/17/2019)	Asst. Boys Swim Coach	High School
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RESIGNATION

Brad Nicks (Effective 7/31/2020)	Asst. Football Coach, Head Track Coach, Department Chair	High School
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- 5) Substitute Lists
- 6) SHES Gaga Pit
- 7) Certified Resignations/Retirement

RESIGNATIONS

Beth Hanna (Effective 7/31/2020)	Art	High School
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Brad Nicks (Effective 7/31/2020)	Math	High School
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RETIREMENT

Karen Bramlage (Effective 7/31/2020)	Elementary Music	Berryton
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**6. Action Items: (cont.)**

**c) Appoint Board Member to Superintendent's Council**

Rosa Cavazos moved to appoint Renae Hansen to the Superintendent's Council. Seconded by Eric Deitcher, motion carried 6-0.

**d) Establish 2020 Board of Education Meeting Dates**

Eric Deitcher moved to approve the 2020 Board of Education Meeting dates as amended. Seconded by Rosa Cavazos, motion carried 6-0.

**e) Approve 2020-2021 School Calendar**

Eric Deitcher moved to approve the 2020-2021 School Calendar as presented. Seconded by Renae Hansen, motion carried 6-0.

**f) Approve Middle School Communications Course for 2020-2021**

Rosa Cavazos moved to approve the Middle School Communications Course changes for 2020-2021 as submitted. Seconded by Erica Price, motion carried 6-0.

**g) Approve Merchandise Royalty Agreement**

Renae Hansen moved to approve the Merchandise Royalty Agreement with GoBlue Printing and Apparel as presented. Seconded by Rocky Busenitz, motion carried 6-0.

**h) Approve Pay Application to DL Smith Electrical Construction**

Eric Deitcher moved to approve the Pay Application to DL Smith Electrical Construction for the Generator Project as submitted. Seconded by Erica Price, motion carried 6-0.

**i) Approve Kansas Educational Insurance Trust Joinder Agreement**

Eric Deitcher moved to approve the Agreement with Kansas Education Insurance Trust (KEIT) as presented. Seconded by Renae Hansen, motion carried 6-0.

**j) Approve Memorandum of Understanding with Ottawa University**

Eric Deitcher moved to approve the Memorandum of Understanding with Ottawa University as submitted. Seconded by Rosa Cavazos, motion carried 6-0.

**7. Discussion Items:**

**a) Superintendent's Report**

Dr. Stessman presented the Superintendent's Report.

**b) Questions/Comments from Board of Education Members**

Eric Deitcher discussed the NSBA Conference to be held April 4 & 5, 2020. Rosa Cavazos was appreciative of the calling system for inclement weather. Erica Price commented on Communications class redesign under the direction of Stacey Bell.

**c) Executive Session for Student Matters**

Lauren Tice Miller moved that the Board of Education go into Executive Session to discuss student matters, pursuant to the exception relating to actions adversely or favorably affecting a student under the Kansas Open Meetings Act, and the open meeting will resume in the Board Room at 8:20 P.M. Seconded by Eric Deitcher, motion carried 6-0.

The meeting reconvened at 8:20 P.M.

**8. Action Item:**

**a) Student Matters**

Renaë Hansen moved to appoint Eric Deitcher and Rosa Cavazos as Board member representatives to hear the appeal of a student's suspension/expulsion and appoint Erica Price as alternate member. Seconded by Rocky Busenitz, motion carried 6-0.

**9. Discussion Item:**

**a) Executive Session for Personnel (Superintendent's Evaluation)**

Erica Price moved that the Board of Education go into Executive Session to discuss personnel matters, pursuant to non-elected personnel exception under Kansas Open Meetings Act, and the open meeting will resume in the Board room at 8:50 P.M. Seconded by Rosa Cavazos, motion carried 6-0.

The meeting reconvened at 8:50 P.M.

Eric Deitcher moved that the Board of Education extend Executive Session to discuss personnel matters, pursuant to non-elected personnel exception under Kansas Open Meetings Act, and the open meeting will resume in the Board room at 8:55 P.M. Seconded by Renaë Hansen, motion carried 6-0.

The meeting reconvened at 8:55 P.M.

**10. Adjournment**

Renaë Hansen moved the meeting adjourn. Seconded by Rosa Cavazos, motion carried 6-0. The meeting adjourned at 8:57 P.M.

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Lauren Tice Miller, Board President

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Eric G. Deitcher, Board Member

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Erica Price, Board Vice President

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Renaë Hansen, Board Member

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Rocky J. Busenitz, Board Member

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Jason A. Schulz, Board Member

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Rosa Cavazos, Board Member

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Sara T. Hoyer, Board Clerk