

**Rawlins County Unified School District # 105**  
**Board of Education Meeting Minutes**  
**6:30 p.m., October 16th, 2023**  
**Rawlins County Elementary Library**

**Board Members Present:** Megan Rippe, Matt Finley, Terry Ballard, Amber Timm, Jordan Dunker, Tim McFee, David Horinek

**Others Present:** Eric Stoddard, Lacy Sramek, Jeff Samson, Emily Green, Chandler Pettibone, Kathy Leitner, Sara Schmidt, Kathy Davis-Vrbas, Cathy Horton, Kati Latulip, Dale Luedke

**24-075 Approval of Agenda**

Motion by Matt Finley second by Amber Timm to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried 4-0.

**24-076 Open Forum**

**24-077 Discussion/Action Consent Agenda**

**Approval of Minutes of the September 18th, 2023 Regular Meeting, September 18th, 2023 Revenue Neutral Rate Hearing, September 18th, 2023 Budget Hearing, and October 6th, 2023 Special Meeting**  
**Payment of Claims**

Motion by Matt Finley second by Amber Timm to approve the minutes of the September 18th, 2023 Regular Meeting, September 18th, 2023 Revenue Neutral Rate Hearing, September 18th, 2023 Budget Hearing, and October 6th, 2023 Special Meeting. Motion carried 4-0.

Jordan Dunker entered the meeting at 6:35pm.

Motion by Matt Finley second by Amber Timm to approve the payment of claims with the exception of the smoke abatement on the buffer zone/gymnasium and high school contents cleaning and to pay those at 50%. Motion carried 5-0.

**24-078 Discussion Request for an Agenda Item-High School Facade**

Susan Bell Flavin presented a petition to the community regarding the facade of the Junior-Senior High School. Kathy Davis-Vrbas was in attendance to present information regarding the petition.

**24-079 Action/Discussion Approval of Fire Related Purchases**

Tim McFee joined the meeting via phone at 7:14pm.

Motion by Matt Finley second by Amber Timm to approve the purchase of the baby grand piano for \$23,900 and digital piano for \$13,499 and KCAV quote for \$56,179.03. Motion carried 5-1 (T. McFee - did not vote).

Tim McFee left the meeting at 7:33pm

David Horinek entered the meeting at 7:36pm

**24-080 Discussion/Action Next Steps in RCHS Building Process**

The board had a discussion about the next steps in the process.

## **24-081 Discussion/Action Administrative Reports**

- **Superintendent:**
  - Nonresident Student Policy Update: board has to hold a hearing to pass the resolution
  - Gave an update on enrollment numbers reported on count day
- **Elementary Principal**
  - RCES has a large number of volunteer readers, much appreciation to these community volunteers
  - Boy Scout and Girl Scout leaders have been in to discuss their clubs with the students
  - Students participated in some 4-H week activities
  - Kindergarten and 2nd Grade went to Jack Creek Pumpkin Patch
  - Finishing up Fastbridge Testing - must be done three times a year
  - Participating in a school-wide reading project that will tie into the book fair next week
  - Parent Teacher Conferences/Book Fair/FFA BBQ next week
  - Wichita Children's Theater was here today to present The Ugly Duckling
  - National Bus Safety week this week - Mark Mosley will be doing some bus safety with students
  - The first FFA Ag In The Classroom last Friday was a success
- **High School Principal**
  - FFA Hog Roast is on Monday, October 23 from 5-7pm
  - FFA did their first Ag in the Classroom last week
  - Shared recent FFA competition results
  - Jr High and High School have done Fastbridge testing this past week
  - ACT Tests will be tomorrow
  - Congrats to Amelia Bowles who is currently participating at High School girls state golf
  - High School football is continuing with a successful season at 7-0
  - High School volleyball girls placed 4th out of 16 teams at the league this past week. Abby Micek was named to the all-tournament team
  - The High School Substate volleyball will be this next weekend in Stockton
  - Jr High football finished their successful season with a 7-1 record
  - Jr High volleyball will finish their season tomorrow at the league tournament
  - Mrs. Grafel took her A&P class to the hospital last week for a careers field trip
  - NHS induction is next Wednesday, October 25th; updated the board with new inductees
  - Carpentry kids are finishing up a sawhorse project and will be starting on a storage shed
  - CAC is doing a Halloween bake sale at the next home football game and will also be hosting a Halloween costume contest at the school
  - Shared students that have been selected for Junior High All District Honor Choir

## **24-082 Executive Session**

### **a. Non-Elected Personnel: Hires, Resignations, Retirements, Transfers**

Motion by David Horinek second by Jordan Dunker to go into executive session for non-elected personnel to protect the privacy of the individuals involved for 5 minutes and return to regular session at 8:37 p.m. Executive session shall include the board and administration. Motion carried 6-0.

The board returned to regular session at 8:37 p.m.

## **24-083 Action on Executive Session**

### **a. Approval of any Hires, Resignations, Retirements, Transfers**

No action taken.

**24-084 Adjournment**

Motion by Matt Finley second by David Horinek to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried 6-0.

Emily Green  
Board Clerk