

**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION  
OF REORGANIZED SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 4  
BLUE SPRINGS, JACKSON COUNTY, MISSOURI**

July 10, 2023

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The Board of Education of the Reorganized School District No. 4, County of Jackson, State of Missouri, met in regular session at 6:15 p.m., July 10, 2023, in the Professional Learning Center of the Gale T. Bartow Administrative Center, 1801 NW Vesper, Blue Springs, Missouri.

Present: Mr. Hawk, Mr. Siems, Mr. Swanson, Mrs. Gilstrap, Mrs. Coen, Mrs. Agate, and Mrs. Swank  
Absent: None

President Hawk noted all board members were in attendance and called the meeting to order at 6:16 p.m.

President Hawk asked for any objections to the adoption of the Consent Agenda.

No. 1 Hearing no objections, President Hawk stated the following consent agenda items were approved by unanimous consent as presented:

- a. minutes of the regular board meeting of June 12, 2023  
minutes of the special board meeting of June 28, 2023
- b. ratification of cash disbursements
- c. monthly check register over \$15,000
- d. the execution of specified contracts
- e. sale of surplus property
- f. the following bids as indicated on the attached tabulations:
  1. Bulk Custodial Supplies – Buildings & Grounds
  2. Call Accounting Software – District
- g. certified personnel items as follows:
  1. employment of the following certified personnel for the 2023-2024 school year:
    - a. Sarah Elliot – Bachelor Degree, Missouri State University, no experience, Level A, Interventionist, Lucy Franklin Elementary School
    - b. Cindy Grotz – Bachelor Degree, University of Central Missouri, two years experience, Level A, Science, Moreland Ridge Middle School
    - c. Aliyah Lee – Master Degree, Missouri State University, no experience, Level E, Physical Education, Moreland Ridge Middle School
    - d. Lori Stricklin – Bachelor Degree, Bob Jones University, seven years experience, Level C, Library Media Specialist, Cordill-Mason Elementary School
  2. leave of absence request effective for the 2023-2024 school year:
    - a. Randi Abella – Franklin Smith Elementary School
- h. first reading of the following policy revision and addition from Human Resources:
  - 3C.2 Certified Staff Contracts, Resignation, Suspension, and Voluntary Termination
  - 3D.17 Classified Staff Dismissal, Suspension, Resignation, and Voluntary Termination

- i. first reading of the following policy revisions from Curriculum & Instruction:
  - 5.31 Assessment Program
  - 5.41 Pupil Retention in Kindergarten through Grade 5
- j. first reading of the following policy additions and revision from Administration:
  - 5.64(2)(c)(4) Unauthorized Entry (Trespassing)
  - 2.18 Unauthorized Entry (Trespassing) Non-Student
  - 5.64(2)(a)(6)(a) Search and Seizure
- k. the following meal prices for the 2023-2024 school year:

Elementary Snack – 90¢	
Elementary Breakfast – \$1.85	Elementary Lunch – \$2.55
Secondary Breakfast – \$1.90	Secondary Lunch – \$2.80
Adult Breakfast – \$2.20	Adult Lunch – \$3.45
Reduced Breakfast – \$0.00	Reduced Lunch – 50¢
Milk – 70¢	
- l. the following student trips as requested:
  1. For 2023-2024: Any sanctioned athletics or activities with qualification rounds for state-, regional- or national-level events, if students qualify to compete.
  2. Blue Springs South High School Softball – Tournament – August 31 through September 2, 2023 – Omaha, Nebraska
  3. Blue Springs High School Softball – Tournament – September 1 and 2, 2023 – Joplin, Missouri
- m. authorization of the following individuals to sign state and federal reports as indicated:
  1. Adult Basic Education – Bryce Johnson
  2. Early Childhood Education, IDEA Part B – Jill Brown
  3. Federal Title I, II, III, IV, Immigrant and Migrant – Bryce Johnson
  4. Math and Science Grants – Bryce Johnson
  5. State & Federal Lunch Program Reports – Charlie Belt
  6. Title IX & Section 504 – Leslie Evans
  7. All Other Federal & State Reports – Bob Jerome
- n. re-employment of the firm of Oswald Rew LLC for the 2023-2024 school year to represent and advise the district in legal matters when needed
- o. appointment of Dr. Bryce Johnson, Assistant Superintendent of Curriculum & Instruction, as the district's English Language Learners (ELL) coordinator for the 2023-2024 school year
- p. appointment of Dr. Danica Fuimaono, Director of Student & Diversity Services, as the district's homeless coordinator for the 2023-2024 school year
- q. appointment of Dr. Danica Fuimaono, Director of Student & Diversity Services, as the district's foster care coordinator and point of contact for the 2023-2024 school year
- r. change in board meeting dates for 2023-2024 as indicated:

Monday, September 11, 2023 to Monday, September 18, 2023
Monday, January 8, 2024 to Monday, January 22, 2024

President Hawk asked for any objections to the adoption of the Regular Agenda.

No. 2      Hearing no objections, President Hawk stated the adoption of the regular agenda was approved by unanimous consent as presented.

The MSBA update video was presented.

President Hawk called for a motion regarding the second reading and final action on policy revisions.

No. 3      Jeff Siems moved to accept the following policy revision for final approval and adoption:

- 2.6 Media Permission for Outside People

Kurt Swanson seconded the motion, which carried unanimously in favor.

No. 4      Kay Coen moved that the Board of Education of Reorganized School District No. 4 conduct a closed session, pursuant to § 610.021 (1) RSMo and § 610.022 RSMo., including any record or vote, immediately following the public session held at 6:15 p.m., on July 10, 2023, in the Executive Board Room of the Gale T. Bartow Administrative Center, 1801 NW Vesper, Blue Springs, Missouri, for the purpose of considering:

legal actions involving the district

Rebeca Swank seconded the motion, which carried with a vote as follows:

Mr. Hawk	Yea	Mrs. Coen	Yea
Mr. Siems	Yea	Mrs. Agate	Yea
Mr. Swanson	Yea	Mrs. Swank	Yea
Mrs. Gilstrap	Yea		

The public meeting adjourned at 6:27 p.m. The closed session convened at 6:34 p.m. with President Hawk presiding.

The executive session adjourned at 7:43 p.m., with action taken recorded as closed record/closed vote.

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Karin E. Keener, Secretary  
Blue Springs R-IV Board of Education

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Robert Hawk, President  
Blue Springs R-IV Board of Education