



KANSAS
SCHOOL
SUPERINTENDENTS'
ASSOCIATION

Board of Directors Meeting

April 11, 2018 - Noon - 2:30 p.m.
Topeka, KS – KASB

Minutes in Review

Attendance

John Allison, Olathe USD 233, Region 11
Tom Alstrom, Halstead USD 440, Region 5
Mike Berblinger, Buhler USD 313, Region 5
Bob Diepenbrock, Kingman-Norwich USD 331, Region 8
Mike Folks, Clay County USD 379, Region 7
Kenneth Harshberger, Meade USD 226, Region 10
Justin Henry, Goddard USD 265, President-Elect
Steve Karlin, Garden City USD 457, Region 10
Josh Meyer, St. John-Hudson USD 350, Region 8
Suzan Patton, Pratt USD 382, President
Richard Proffitt, Chanute USD 413, Region 3
Mike Roth, Leavenworth USD 453, Region 1
Brian Smith, Galena USD 499, Region 3
Brian Spencer, Central Heights USD 288, Region 2
Brad Starnes, Mill Creek Valley USD 329, Region 4
Jeanne Stroh, Ottawa USD 290, Region 2
Corbin Witt, Geary County USD 475, Region 4
Robert Young, Ellis USD 388, Region 7
G.A. Buie, USA-Kansas, Executive Director

Guest – Sandy Short, Aspiring Administrator from Pratt; Alan Landover, KCAV

Board members ate lunch at Noon courtesy of DLR Group

I. Call to Order

- President Suzan Patton called the meeting to order at 12:30 p.m. She welcomed board members to the last 2017-2018 board meeting.

II. Consent Agenda

- Tom Alstrom moved to approve the consent agenda, which included minutes from the February meeting along with the agenda. Bob Diepenbrock seconded the motion. Approved unanimously.

III. President's Report

- President Suzan Patton asked board members for their feedback on KESA, Redesign, etc. With this being her last meeting as President, she has had a great experience and thanked everyone for their support.

IV. Executive Director's Report

- G.A. Buie discussed the financial report for February and March. The checking account is doing well, with a little more still to come in. The upcoming expenses include the Executive Board trip to Los Angeles and the New Superintendent Workshop. Everything else is paid, and there should be enough to roll some into a CD. Kenneth Harshberger moved to approve the financial report. Tom Alstrom seconded the motion. Approved Unanimously.
- G.A. gave the Membership Update. There are 257 KSSA members this year to date. The board discussed how many superintendents were in dual roles, and with 22 superintendents in dual roles who are not KSSA members, the need to reach out to those people and offer support.
- G.A. discussed the 2018-2019 budget. It is similar to the 2017-2018 budget, not much change. Most expenses are cancelled out by sponsorships. The goal is to continue to grow membership. Justin Henry moved to approve the 2018-2019 budget. Mike Folks seconded the motion. Approved Unanimously.
- G.A. introduced Alan Landover with KCAV. He discussed a tool called Span that KSSA and USA will be utilizing in the near future to enhance video meetings.

V. Legislative Update

- G.A. gave a legislative update. He and the board discussed the positions that were laid out at the beginning of the year, and where we ended up. While there were no major victories, there was progress made in nearly every area.
- G.A. and the Board discussed the School Finance bill and where it goes from here. Governor Colyer has stated he plans to sign it with the intent that the legislature will come back and correct the \$80 million error. There are still doubts this amount will satisfy the court. There is still much to be done with only 5 working days left before sine die, including passing a budget.
- G.A. asked the board for feedback/interest in a webinar on Monday, April 16th to discuss talking points and keeping superintendents on message in regards to the constitutional amendment and school finance. More information will be coming out about this conference call.

VI. AASA Report

- Justin Henry reported on the upcoming AASA Summer Advocacy event July 10-12. The 11th is a day spent on The Hill meeting with your state's legislators, and G.A. encouraged board members to attend if possible.

VII. Upcoming Board Elections

- Past President – end of term Cory Gibson
- Region 2 >1000 Retirement -Jeanne Stroh
- Region 5 > 1000 New position on the board – Mike Berblinger
- Region 6 > 1000 Retirement - Tracy Bourne

- We'll send emails out, feel free to send a name. If you are at the end of your term and do or don't want to return let GA know. If you know of anything else let GA know and he'll make adjustments.

VIII. Executive Director Evaluation

- Suzan Patton discussed G.A.'s evaluation. It has been completed and discussed with USA-Kansas President Pete Bastian. All feedback was positive as she discussed the different categories of the evaluation.

IX. New Business

- G.A. discussed the upcoming New Superintendent Workshop, and asked board for feedback on what should be added. He discussed the School Safety workshops USA-Kansas hosted at the end of March. They went very well and he is working on putting together a concise document over what was discussed. He reminded board members to register for the upcoming USA-Kansas Conference.
- Justin Henry presented Suzan Patton with a plaque and thanked her for her hard work as Board President. Suzan thanked Justin and the Board for their support and offered her future support to Justin.

Next Meeting

June 1, 2018 – Wichita