

Board of Education Meeting Notes

July 13, 2015

- Vice President Melinda Fritze called the meeting to order. In attendance were Marci Fugarino, Carly Haynes, Dr. Linda Hope, Josh Wells and President Scott Wilson (via telephone).
- Public Comments
 - City Administrator Mark Detter, City Council Member Kris Estes and Mayor Ben Lawrence spoke about the revamped neighborhood revitalization program. This program would give parts of Andover a five year advantage on commercial and residential taxes. The plan will likely be submitted for the Andover City Council's approval in August. Andover Public Schools, Butler County and Butler Community College would be asked to approve the program in September. If approved, the program would begin Jan. 1, 2016.
 - Purpose
 - Encourage new development and improvement in economically distressed areas
 - Offset increases in valuation from improvement with tax rebates
 - Create a competitive balance with Sedgwick county for commercial development
 - Target commercial construction more than residential
 - Features
 - Selected areas of city – primarily commercial property
 - 45 percent tax rebate for new construction, 95 percent tax rebate for remodel projects
 - 5 year program revisited after two years to renew for the remaining three years
 - No maximum cap on value
 - Fiscal impact to USD 385
 - Based on 2012 neighborhood revitalization growth, the estimated fiscal impact to USD 385 would be \$50,000. This is new revenue that the district would forego for five years in an effort to encourage construction so that it could potentially receive more revenue after the end of the program.
 - Program only impacts new assessed valuation – nothing existing comes off tax rolls
- Organization of the Board for the 2015-16 school year
 - Melinda Fritze was elected as president of the Board of Education
 - Josh Wells was elected as vice president of the Board of Education
 - Jamie Bohannon was elected as clerk of the Board of Education
 - Nicole Gibbs was elected as assistant clerk of the Board of Education
 - Sherame Kneisel was elected as treasurer of the Board of Education
- Consent
 - As part of the annual organizational meeting, the Board voted on items to prepare for the 2015-16 school year. For a complete list of agenda items, see BoardDocs.
- Action Items
 - 2015-16 and 2016-17 Agreement with AEA
 - On June 22, 2015, tentative agreement was reached with AEA on contract language and compensation increases for the 2015-16 and 2016-17 school years. Administration recommended that the BOE approve a .71 percent compensation increase for certified staff for the 2015-16 contract year, and a 1.57 percent increase for the 2016-17 school year, subject to the re-opener clause as outlined in the Summary of Changes document. In addition, they recommended approval of the contract changes as outlined in the Summary of Changes document which can be found on Board Docs.
Josh Wells excused himself from the vote for this agenda item due to conflict of interest. The motion passed 5-0.
 - 2015-16 & 2016-17 Compensation Increases for Classified and Administrative Staff

