

Board of Education Meeting Notes
Aug. 10, 2015

- Budget Hearing
 - Business Manager Sherame Kneisel presented the proposed budget for 2015-16. This was an opportunity for the public to comment or ask questions about the proposed budget. To see the presentation, please visit BoardDocs.
- Recognitions
 - Kenon Brinkley, 2015 graduate of Andover High School, was named the national champion in the original oratory event at the 2015 National Speech and Debate Association National Tournament in Dallas June 14-19. In addition to winning the original oratory national champion title and trophy, he received a \$2,000 scholarship from the Patrick Henry Memorial Auxiliary, which sponsored the event. Kenon also participated in this tournament in 2014 and placed 10th. AHS was also recognized a school of honor at the tournament. This is an award given to the top 40 schools (out of over 1,200) at the tournament based on a points formula.
- Consent
 - Item 6.5 was pulled from the agenda and a motion and approval was made to enter executive session after open meeting regarding this matter.
- Discussion
 - Board Policy Review
 - Kansas Association of School Boards periodically provides districts with policy revisions and proposed new policies that require attention regarding or relating to state mandates or legislative action. Policies CEF, DC, EBAA, EBBA, GAAB, GAAC, GAACA, GAAF, GAHB, GANA, GAOE, GAT, ICA, IHF, IIBF, IIBGC, IKA, ING, JBC, JBD, JCAB, JCDBB, JCE, JDC, JDD, JGEC, JGECA, KBA, KGD, KN and EDAA were approved 4-2. To see the approved policies, please visit Board Docs.
 - Neighborhood Revitalization Project
 - Last month the City of Andover presented a proposal for a neighborhood revitalization project that gives certain areas of Andover tax breaks based on new construction and remodel. The board took this opportunity to discuss their thoughts on the proposal as a whole.
- Action Items
 - Approval of Resolution 15-16-06 Authorizing Issuance of Bonds
 - Steve Shogren representing George K. Baum spoke on the issuance of \$6,495,000 in General Obligation Bonds. The Board approved refinancing Series 2005 bonds in June to capture savings in interest for the remaining debt service period. The net savings in interest to the District is \$242,630. The district will capture the savings over the remaining four years of our debt schedule. The bonds have been issued and are scheduled to close on August 24, 2015. Resolution 15-16-06 was approved 5-0-1.
 - Adoption of 2015-16 Budget
 - Business Manager Sherame Kneisel presented the 2015-16 budget recommended for adoption. The recommended budget included a Local Option Budget of 31%. The total mill levy in the recommended budget is 65.286 mills, an increase over last year of 1.368. This increase is in the Bond & Interest Fund in order to accommodate the District's aggressive debt schedule as we enter the final years of our bond payments. All bonds are currently scheduled to be paid in full by the end of 2019. The motion passed 6-0.
- Reports
 - Superintendent Report
 - Superintendent Greg Rasmussen reported on the following issues:
 - Reviewed the District Goals and Action Plan for 2015-16.
 - Reminded the Board of Opening Assembly, Aug. 11 at 8:00 a.m.
 - If members would like to visit schools on Aug. 13 & 14, please let him know.

- New Teacher Orientation Aug. 6-7 had 35 new certified staff attend.
- Board Report
 - President Melinda Fritze went to Topeka with Brett & Josh to the KASB Leadership Training on Aug. 6.
 - Vice President Josh Wells also spoke on the KASB Leadership Training and how the grounds look great and are ready for school.
 - Member Matt Forney spoke on Joyfulhome.com. A few Andover students among other area students worked together to create this and other websites. These jobs gives students the ability to use their skills but also gain real world experience.
 - Member Marci Fugarino spoke about online enrollment and how easy it was to complete.
 - Member Linda Hope spoke on the Butler County InterLocal offices moving from El Dorado to Augusta which she felt is a benefit for our kids.
 - Member Scott Wilson spoke on online enrollment and how successful he felt it was.