

**McLouth USD 342
Board of Education
Regular Meeting
March 8, 2023**

- A. Call the Meeting to Order** – President Kim Troupe called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.
- B. Roll Call**
Board members present: Mrs. Pamela Carleton, Mr. James Copeland, Mrs. Tara Garrow, Mrs. Jennifer Harsh, Mr. Dean Wolfe and Mrs. Kim Troupe
Board members absent: Mrs. Heather Coit
Also present: Mr. Jerome Johnson, Mrs. Lorie Patterson and Mrs. Missy Miller
- C. Approval of the Agenda** – Mr. Johnson requested the addition of Resignation from Ms. Lindsay Mills-High School Secretary/Registrar under D.d. Mr. Wolfe moved to approve the agenda with the addition. Mrs. Harsh seconded. Motion carried 6-0.
- D. Consent Agenda** – Mrs. Harsh moved and Mrs. Garrow seconded the motion to accept the Consent Agenda as presented. The Consent Agenda consisted of the following items: a. Approval of Minutes from February 13, 2023 Regular Board Meeting; b. Approval of Check Registers; c. Accept Treasurer’s Report; d. Accept the Resignations of Mr. Tristan Bartley-Band Teacher and Supplementals, Mr. Douglas Fisher-High School Math Teacher and Coaching Positions and Ms. Lindsay Mills-High School Secretary/Registrar. The motion carried 6-0.
- E. Comments from the President**
- F. Administrative Reports**
- a. Superintendent – Mrs. Harsh made a motion to approve the purchase of high school football uniforms not to exceed \$10,518.62. Mr. Wolfe seconded. Motion carried 6-0.
 - b. Elementary Principal
 - c. Secondary Principal – Not in attendance
- G. Employee Appreciation Dinner** – Mrs. Harsh moved to approve the end of year employee appreciation dinner. Mrs. Garrow seconded. Motion carried 6-0.
- H. Discussion and Possible Approval of FFA Fundraiser “Donkey Ball”** – Mr. Wolfe moved to approve the FFA Donkey Ball fundraiser as presented. Mrs. Carleton seconded. Motion carried 6-0.
- I. Approval of April Board Tour and Meeting – April 19, 2023 @ 8:30 a.m.** – Mr. Wolfe made a motion to set the tour for April 19th at 8:30 a.m. Mrs. Harsh seconded. Motion carried 6-0.
- J. Discussion and Approval of “Duty Day” Thursday, May 4, 2023** – Mr. Wolfe made a motion to change May 4th to a teacher duty day and a no school day for students. Mrs. Carleton seconded. Motion carried 6-0.
- K. Discussion and Approval of Proposed Science Curriculum** – Mrs. Harsh moved to approve the science curriculum as presented. Mrs. Garrow seconded. Motion carried 6-0.
- L. Discussion and Approval of Board Policy Update-Ongoing KASB Merger** – Mr. Wolfe made a motion to approve the policy update as presented. Mrs. Garrow seconded. Motion carried 6-0.
- M. Discussion and Possible Approval of 2021-2022 Audit Report** – Mr. Wolfe moved to approve the 2021-2022 Audit as presented. Mrs. Harsh seconded. Motion carried 6-0.
- N. Keystone Update** – Mrs. Troupe provided an update.
- O. Executive Session** - Mr. Wolfe made a motion to go into executive session to discuss an individual employee’s performance pursuant to the exception for non-elected personnel under KOMA, and the open meeting will resume

in the boardroom at 7:37 p.m. Mr. Wolfe invited Mr. Johnson and Mrs. Patterson into executive session. Mr. Copeland seconded. Motion carried 6-0. Mr. Johnson and Mrs. Patterson attended executive session. The board returned to open session at 7:37 p.m. Mr. Wolfe made a motion to return to executive session to discuss an individual employee's performance pursuant to the exception for non-elected personnel under KOMA, and the open meeting will resume in the boardroom at 8:03 p.m. Mr. Wolfe invited Mr. Johnson and Mrs. Patterson into executive session. Mr. Copeland seconded. Motion carried 6-0. Mr. Johnson and Mrs. Patterson attended executive session. The board returned to open session at 8:03 p.m. Mr. Wolfe made a motion to go into executive session to discuss potential new hires under the exception for non-elected personnel under KOMA, and the open meeting will resume in the boardroom at 8:12 p.m. Mr. Wolfe invited Mr. Johnson into executive session. Mrs. Harsh seconded. Motion carried 6-0. Mr. Johnson attended executive session. The board returned to open session at 8:12 p.m.

Mr. Wolfe left the meeting at 8:13 p.m.

P. Action Following Executive Session – Mr. Copeland made a motion to hire Mrs. Becky Wolfe as the head cross country coach. Mrs. Garrow seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

Mr. Wolfe returned to the meeting at 8:14 p.m.

Mrs. Harsh moved to hire Ms. Eddie Plake as the high school secretary/registrar. Mrs. Garrow seconded. Motion carried 6-0. Mrs. Carleton moved to hire Mr. Alan Hibdon as the secondary assistant principal/activities director. Mr. Wolfe seconded. Motion carried 6-0.

O. Executive Session - Mr. Wolfe made a motion to go into executive session to discuss negotiable items under the exception for employer-employee negotiations under KOMA, and the open meeting will resume in the boardroom at 8:56 p.m. Mr. Wolfe invited Mr. Johnson and Mrs. Patterson into executive session. Mrs. Carleton seconded. Motion carried 6-0. Mr. Johnson and Mrs. Patterson attended executive session. The board returned to open session at 8:56 p.m.

Q. Other

R. Adjourn – Mrs. Troupe adjourned the meeting at 8:57 p.m.

Mrs. Kim Troupe, President

Mrs. Lorie Patterson, Clerk