

**SOUTH CENTRAL KANSAS SPECIAL EDUCATION COOPERATIVE**  
**MINUTES OF BOARD MEETING**  
**August 18, 2008**

The board of directors of SCKSEC met in regular session on Monday, August 18, 2008, at 7:30 p.m. at the SCKSEC administrative office in Pratt, Kansas.

Board members present were: Joe Hunter, Kent Swartz, Dave Brass, Bob Heimerman, Keith McNickle, Faith Penner, Kim Stivers, Chad Moore, Ruth McFarland, Mike Maloney substituting for Nancy Boyer, and Roger Goodman.

District Administrators present were: Bob Hightree, Brad Morris, Mike Baldwin, Scott Carter, Mary Jo Taylor, James Kenworthy, Mike Harvey, Keith Custer, Glen Davis, Darrel Kohlman, Mike Sanders, John Wyrick, Troy Piper, Glenn Fortmayer, and Jerry Cullen.

SCKSEC administrative personnel present were: Lynn Ahrens, Ryan Cunningham and Aleta Gatz.

President Kent Swartz called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

1. AGENDA ADOPTION/AMENDMENT- Chad Moore moved and Roger Goodman seconded the motion to adopt the agenda with additions. The motion carried 8-0.

2. RECOGNITION OF GUESTS - Dr. Ahrens introduced Anita Twiner, Task NEA president, Kim Stivers, board member USD 382, and Mike Maloney, USD 331.

3. APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS- Faith Penner moved and Ruth McFarland seconded the motion to approve the consent agenda items, which included the minutes of the July 21 meeting, the financial report, payment of bills, and resignations. The motion carried 8-0. Joe Hunter arrived 7:35 p.m. Dave Brass arrived at 7:40 p.m.

4. SPECIAL EDUCATION SERVICES UPDATE - With the large number of acronyms used, Dr. Ahrens called attention to the list of acronyms enclosed in the board packet. Dr. Ahrens reported on the preliminary audit report noting that in our preliminary findings. Dr. Ahrens brought attention to the Part B SPP Indicators for state compliance with emphasis on Indicators 5, 9, 10, 11, & 13. Dr. Ahrens informed the board that the new special education funding task force had been formed and she did not get on it, however two influential directors of special education were appointed. She then covered comments from NASDSE on proposed regulations, a specific law case involving use of a time out room, and a proposed bill from Congress. Dr. Ahrens reported the ratification of the Memorandum of Agreement and asked Anita Twiner to cover the negotiations. Anita reported on the issues and findings involved in the negotiations. Dr. Ahrens discussed TB skin tests and physical requirements and the difficulty of completing these requirements prior to beginning employment. Ryan Cunningham presented bids for two new vehicles and an update on the backroom renovations.

5. EXECUTIVE SESSION - Chad Moore moved and Roger Goodman seconded the motion to go into executive session at 8:10 p.m. to discuss non-elected personnel and negotiations in order to protect the privacy of interests of the individuals to be discussed and the board would return into open session in the same room at 8:20 p.m. The motion carried 10-0. Chad Moore moved and Faith Penner seconded the motion to return into open session. The motion carried 10-0. Chad Moore moved and Joe Hunter seconded the motion to return to executive session at 8:20 and the board would return into open session in the same room at 8:25 p.m. The motion carried 10-0. Kim Stivers moved and Roger Goodman seconded the motion to return to open session. Motion carried 10-0. Regular session

was resumed at 8:25 p.m.

6. APPROVAL OF PERSONNEL AND CONTRACTUAL ISSUES – Faith Penner moved and Keith McNickle seconded the motion to approve the list of paraeducators to be employed. The motion carried 10-0. The recommendation for director’s salary was tabled until the next meeting. Chad Moore moved and Joe Hunter seconded the motion to approve additional staff at Medicine Lodge and Kiowa. The motion carried 10-0. Kim Stivers moved and Keith McNickle seconded the motion to approve the purchase of two vehicles. The motion carried 10-0.

7. OTHER – None.

8. ADJOURNMENT- There being no further business to come before the Board, Joe Hunter moved and Kim Stivers seconded the motion to adjourn. The motion carried 10-0. The meeting adjourned at 8:40 p.m.

The next meeting of the board will be held on Monday, September 15, 2008 at 7:30 p.m.

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Aleta Gatz, Board Clerk

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