

MINUTES OF THE JOHNSON COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION, SPECIAL CALLED MEETING, JULY 26, 2005, 5:00 P.M.

The Johnson County Board of Education met in special called session at 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday, July 26, 2005. The chairman, Mr. Gregg, called the meeting to order. The roll was called with all members present: Mr. Buckles, Mr. Carlton, Mr. Gambill, Ms. Stout, and Mr. Gregg. Audrey Reece, Recorder.

Mr. Carlton led the group in prayer and Ms. Miller, Director of Schools, led in the Pledge to the American Flag.

There were two items on the agenda for the meeting:

1. Health Insurance
2. Home Visits

1. Mr. Woodring gave a report about what the insurance committee had worked out on insurance coverage for the 05-06 school year. John Deere, our current provider, increased their premium rates and the committee decided to put the insurance out for bids this year. They received 3 quotes – one from John Deere and two from companies representing Blue Cross/Blue Shield. The lowest bid was from Mark III Blue Cross/Blue Shield, represented by John Manville, which would be a 12% increase over last year's premium. After brief discussion, Ms. Miller recommended that we change to Mark III Blue Cross/Blue Shield. A motion was made by Mr. Buckles, seconded by Mr. Carlton, and passed by unanimous roll call vote to change medical insurance coverage from John Deere to Mark III Blue Cross/Blue Shield. The John Deere coverage will be in effect through the end of August and Blue Cross/Blue Shield will begin September 1st.

Ms. Miller said that at the budget meeting, they had discussed what to do with the savings if they could get a lower premium than John Deere was offering. It was agreed that the savings would be spread to lower premiums that support personnel pay for their insurance coverage. Ms. Miller said this would result in a reduced amount that support personnel would pay for their insurance. She said they are now paying \$40.66 per month for single coverage and she was anticipating that that amount could be reduced to \$21.74 per single coverage.

Mr. Gregg commented that this would help support personnel to realize their salary increase instead of having to apply it toward an insurance premium increase.

2. During discussion about the decision to have a deputy/safety officer accompany personnel on home visits, it was noted that misunderstandings have occurred, rumors are going around, etc. about what the board intended. After the discussion, a motion was made by Mr. Buckles, seconded by Mr. Carlton, and passed by unanimous roll call vote to rescind the motion made at the regular July board meeting to have a deputy/safety officer accompany teachers or other employees on home visits. Mr. Gregg said they need to put this issue on the agenda for the Board Retreat and discuss it further.

There being no further business, a motion was made and seconded for adjournment. The meeting adjourned at 5:25 p.m.

Director of Schools	Chairman	Vice-Chairman
Member	Member	Member
