

**Argonia Public Schools**  
**Unified School District 359**  
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**Argonia, KS 67004**

*A Collaborative Family Creating a Legacy of Pride through Uncompromising Excellence*

**UNAPPROVED MINUTES**  
**October 14, 2019**  
**7:00 PM**

**Call to Order:** Board President Shane Morrison called the October 14, 2019, meeting to order at 7:00 PM with six members present. Those members were Joe Allen, Brian Fitch, Melinda McCurley, Sarah Vineyard, Tiffani Vaughn and Shane Morrison. Also present were Superintendent Dr. Julie McPherron, Principal Mark Russo, and Clerk Christy Gonzales.

**Approve Agenda:** A motion was made by Tiffani Vaughn to approve the agenda as presented. Brian Fitch seconded the motion. Motion carried 6-0.

**Audience:** Potential board member Scott Jones observed the meeting and introduced himself to the board.

**Consent Items:**

**Approval of Minutes:** A motion was made by Brian Fitch to approve the meeting minutes of September 9, 2019. Melinda McCurley seconded the motion. Motion carried 6-0.

**Approval of Warrants:** Sarah Vineyard made a motion to approve the warrants as presented. Brian Fitch seconded the motion. Motion carried 6-0.

**Reports:**

**High School Principal:** Mr. Russo presented his report. Topics of discussion included attendance and disciplinary issues, the KSHSAA ballot, the High School Musical on November 9<sup>th</sup>, JH/HS Volleyball, JH/HS Football, HS Scholar's Bowl, and the end of the first nine weeks.

**Sumner County Interlocal 619:** Tiffani Vaughn attended the September 23, 2019 meeting and presented her report.

**SCKESC:** Joe Allen presented his report from the meeting on October 9, 2019.

**Supt/Elem. Principal:** Dr. McPherron presented the Supt/Elem Principal report to the board. Topics of discussion included elementary attendance, method of board elections, the open board position, and upcoming events.

**Discussion and/or Appropriate Action:**

**Supplemental Contracts:** A motion was made by Sarah Vineyard to approve Kirk Taylor's contract for JH and HS Scholar's Bowl as presented. The motion was seconded by Brian Fitch. Motion carried 6-0.

**Graduation:** Brian Fitch made a motion to approve the senior class' request for girls to wear white caps and gowns and the boys to wear red caps and gowns for graduation this year. Future graduations can either be red and white or all red. Tiffani Vaughn seconded the motion. Motion carried 6-0.

**Gifts for Elementary Book Fund:** Brian Fitch made a motion to approve money donated from sponsors to be deposited in the gifts and grants fund to be spent on the PreK-2<sup>nd</sup> grade Scholastic book orders each month, October-May. Shane Morrison seconded the motion. Motion carried 6-0.

**Football Field Improvements:** The board discussed improvements to the football field. No action was taken.

**Executive Session:** Brian Fitch made a motion to go into executive session at 7:55 PM for 15 minutes to discuss confidential student information with exception relating to actions adversely or favorably affecting a student under KOMA. Joe Allen seconded the motion. Motion carried 6-0. Dr. McPherron and Mr. Russo were invited to stay. Teacher, Kayla Paxson was also invited to join the executive session.

The board returned to regular session at 8:10 PM.

Brian Fitch made a motion to go into executive session at 8:10 PM for 15 minutes to discuss confidential student information with exception relating to actions adversely or favorably affecting a student under KOMA. Joe Allen seconded the motion. Motion carried 6-0. Dr. McPherron and Mr. Russo were invited to stay.

The board returned to regular session at 8:25 PM.

Brian Fitch made a motion to go into executive session at 8:25 PM for 15 minutes to discuss confidential student information with exception relating to actions adversely or favorably affecting a student under KOMA. Joe Allen seconded the motion. Motion carried 6-0. Dr. McPherron and Mr. Russo were invited to stay.

The board returned to regular session at 8:40 PM.

Brian Fitch made a motion to go into executive session at 8:40 PM for 15 minutes to discuss confidential student information with exception relating to actions adversely or favorably affecting a student under KOMA. Joe Allen seconded the motion. Motion carried 6-0. Dr. McPherron and Mr. Russo were invited to stay.

The board returned to regular session at 8:55 PM.

Brian Fitch made a motion to go into executive session at 8:55 PM for 15 minutes to discuss confidential student information with exception relating to actions adversely or favorably affecting a student under KOMA. Joe Allen seconded the motion. Motion carried 6-0. Dr. McPherron and Mr. Russo were invited to stay.

The board returned to regular session at 9:10 PM and recessed for a 10 minute break. Scott Jones left the meeting.

Brian Fitch made a motion to go into executive session at 9:20 PM for 60 minutes to discuss non-elected personnel exception under KOMA. Joe Allen seconded the motion. Motion carried 6-0. Dr. McPherron and Mr. Russo were invited to stay.

The board returned to regular session at 10:20 PM.

**Adjournment:** The meeting adjourned at 10:30 PM.