

KAMSA BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

September 24, 2013 – 10:00 a.m. • Colbert Hill Golf Course Club House, Manhattan

The KAMSA Board of Directors meeting was called to order at 10:00 a.m. September 24, 2013, by Vice President Mary Wright, at the Colbert Hills Golf Course Club House Founders Room, Manhattan.

Directors present: Mary Wright (Vice President), John Sanborn (Executive Director), Terrell Davis (Large District Rep.), Jess Herbig (Intermediate School Representative), Chad Krug & Jarrod Stoppel (Dist. 2), Chris Look (Dist. 3), Ron Wilson & Keith Hoffman (Dist. 5), Kevin Logan & Matt McKee (Dist. 6), Karla King (Dist. 7), Jerry Meier & Mike Wolgast (Dist. 8), Matt Meek (Dist. 9), Becky Murray (Dist. 10), Jill Dickerson (Past President), Dave Novack (Past President), Kristy Ellis (Past President). Guests Present: Joe Handlos (Ft. Riley), Vici Jennings (Wamego), Tracy Newell (Manhattan-Eisenhower), Vickie Kline (Manhattan-Anthony), Jennifer Bessolo (Shawnee Heights).

Directors absent: Randy Heatherly (President), David Reiser (President-Elect), Robert Sattler & Robb Ross (Dist. 1), Tavis Desormiers (Dist. 3), Michael King & Pat Reinhardt (Dist. 4), Brent Garrison (Dist. 7), Wendy Moore (Dist. 9), Brad Miner (Dist. 10). Bruce Krase (Past President), Steve Woolf (Past President).

Minutes of the June 4, 2013 KAMSA BOD meeting were approved. Motion to approve made by ; Dave Novack and 2nd by Kristy Ellis. The current treasurer's report was approved. Motion by Matt McKee and second by Kevin Logan. As of August 30, 2013 the KAMSA checking account was \$7,689.47, money market account was \$2,049.29, and certificate of deposit \$7,146.87. Total account balances: \$16,885.63.

Jennifer Bessolo, Shawnee Heights Middle School Principal, was selected as KAMSA Vice President beginning in January, 2014. Motion made by Jerry Meier and seconded by Matt McKee.

KAMSA Board of Directors changes were acknowledged and were as follows: A new position was added to the KAMSA Board of Directors INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL REPRESENTATIVE. Jess Herbig moved from District 7 Rep to that position. Karla King of El Dorado Middle School assumed the District 7 position.

The KAMSA Newsletter, expected to be published January, 2014, will need articles from the Board of Directors and members. Please email the your articles to John Sanborn by December 1, 2013.

Marc Caine (Inter-State Studios) had purposed a KAMSA Secretary/Administrative Assistant award to be established by Inter-State Studios. The idea he suggested involved awarding possibly three areas of the State (or three different sizes of schools) with this award. Inter-State would provide \$300 plus a plaque to the winners. Committee member Kristy Ellis discussed some of the ideas that had been presented. Other committee members David Reiser and Pat Reinhardt were not in attendance at the meeting. The committee will report back to the group as soon as possible.

The Principal and Assistant Principal of the Year committee has received several nominations at this time. Joe Handlos was the only committee member present and the results will be made public later. All information and nominations are to be sent to the committee headed by David Reiser. The other committee members are Joe Handlos and Pat Reinhardt.

With the changes in assessments, etc. for the coming year changes will need to be made in the criteria for the KAMSA High Performing School awards. A committee of Randy Heatherly, David Reiser, Mary Wright Joe Handlos and Michael King will work on this process. A lengthy discussion was held on this topic and they will report their findings as soon as possible. Joe Handlos suggested it be an "Outstanding Program Award, or Innovation Award, etc."

John Sanborn also discussed the KAMSA Website. Judy Smith of Chapman is the Website Administrator. Additional ideas were discussed for the website. It was suggested that it needed to become more “interactive.” These suggestions will be investigated and hopefully incorporated in the site. If anyone is an expert on this area please let John Sanborn know.

Jill Dickerson, USA President, gave an informative report on USA activities. It was reported that the 2015 USA Convention is being planned for June instead of January. USA will try to align resources in the areas of Advocacy, Communication and Professional Development. They will continue to work on the dues structure and service agreements. College and Career Readiness also a big issue.

NAMSP (National Association of Middle School Principals) was discussed by NAMSP President Mike Wolgast. At present there are several issues that need to be addressed to make it into a viable organization.

Jerry Meier gave a report on the KAMSA 2014 Spring Conference. The 2014 Conference committee includes: Jerry Meier, John Sanborn, Kristy Ellis, Randy Heatherly, Mary Wright, Joe Handlos, Vici Jennings and David Reiser. The dates have been decided and the location is nearly set. The dates will be Thursday, May 8 in the evening for a social and roundtable followed on Friday, May 9 at Washburn Rural Middle School and will include an opening presentation followed by several break out sessions.

KAMSA Districts Reps. are encouraged to arrange local area meetings for middle level administrators and KAMSA will pay for meal expenses for the groups.

Future Meeting Dates: KAMSA Board of Directors Meeting Wednesday, January 29, 2014 – Wichita Hyatt Hotel. – 2:00 p.m.

Meeting adjourned for lunch 11:45 a.m.

