

**SANTA FE TRAIL USD 434 BOARD OF EDUCATION**  
**Regular Meeting**

**June 11, 2025 at 6 p.m.**  
**District Administrative Center**

<b>Call to Order</b>	Vice-President Justin Ramsdell called the meeting to order at 6 p.m.
<b>Board Members Present</b>	Michelle Schmale, Kylie Hastings, Justin Ramsdell, Jamie Sowers, and Stephenie Ganger
<b>Board Members Absent</b>	Tanner Black and Amy Huizenga
<b>Administrators &amp; Others present</b>	Amy Hill, Faith Flory, Andy Lohmeyer, Gary Rush, Tosha Smith, McKenzie Rice.
<b>Agenda Approval</b>	Motion by Kylie Hastings, second by Michelle Schmale, to approve the amended agenda adding to item 3.6 Resignations/Retirement Moreno; to item 4.2 Employment Piper; item 8.1 Executive Session – Negotiations. Motion carried 5-0.
<b>Consent Agenda Items</b>	<p>Motion by Kylie Hastings, second by Michelle Schmale, to approve the amended consent agenda. Motion carried 5-0.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● Approved the minutes of May 5, 2025 and May 14, 2025 meetings.</li><li>● Approved the April 2025 activity fund report of Overbrook and the May 2025 CAC report.</li><li>● Approved the May 2025 treasurer's report.</li><li>● Approved the presented check journal.</li><li>● Accepted the resignations of Daytona DaPrato, CAC para; Alijah Moreno, OAC para; and the retirement of Jim Harris, CAC custodian.</li><li>● Approved the CAC summer fundraisers.</li><li>● Approved the HS girls wrestling tournament request to travel to Irving, TX in July using district vans.</li></ul>
<b>Personnel Report</b>	
<b>Executive Session</b>	Motion by Kylie Hastings, second by Michelle Schmale, to enter executive session for 20 minutes to discuss personnel pursuant to non-elected personnel exception under KOMA, and the open meeting will resume in the boardroom at 6:21 pm with Faith Flory present. Motion carried 5-0.

The Board returned to open session at 6:21 pm

**Employment**

Motion by Kylie Hastings, second by Stephenie Ganger, to approve the amended employment of personnel. Motion carried 5-0.

Employed: Natosha Jenkins, 7<sup>th</sup> ELA teacher; Lindsay Wendleton, CAC .185 FTE 4<sup>th</sup> music teacher; Jamie Kincaid, PK para; Tosha Smith, Asst. HS FBLA sponsor; Brian Boyle, Asst. HS football coach; Josie Piper, OAC para.

**Administrators**

Building summer maintenance and project progress were reported.

**Items from the Past for Consideration**

**Capital Outlay**

HVAC control system scope of project needs to be updated before bids are presented for consideration.

**New Items for Discussion & Consideration**

**Food Service Addendum & Program Agreement 2025-26**

Tosha Smith presented the addendum and agreement to the board for consideration along with updating them on the summer meals program including free meals for all ages 1-18 at the high school. Motion by Kylie Hastings, second by Jamie Sowers, to approve the food service addendum and program agreement. Motion carried 5-0.

**Band Instrument Rental Fees**

McKenzie Rice presented district owned instrument use information including annual repair costs. She presented a instrument rental proposal including a sliding scale for free/reduced lunch students. Motion by Stephenie Ganger, second by Kylie Hastings, to approve the band instrument rental fees and sliding scale. Motion carried 5-0.

**District Budget Close Out**

Motion by Kylie Hastings, second by Michelle Schmale, to approve the close out of the district budget and make all necessary transfers. Motion carried 5-0.

**Line Wize Cyber Security & Content Filter Renewal**

Motion by Kylie Hastings, second by Stephenie Ganger, to approve a three year renewal of the content filtering service. Motion carried 5-0.

**KASB Policy Updates**

Motion by Stephenie Ganger, second by Jamie Sowers, to approve the presented policies excluding policy KM. Motion carried 5-0.

Policies approved include BBC Board Committees; CN Public Records; DFE Investment of Funds; DFH Fundraising Activities; GAACB Employee Whistleblower; IB School Site Councils; JBC Enrollment; JBCD Enrollment of Military Students; JGFGB Supervision of Medications; JH Student Activities; JS Student Fees and Charges; KBC Media Relations and Usage; KGB Concealed Observations; KN Complaints.

**Steering Committee Update**

Michelle Schmale and Justin Ramsdell provided a steering committee update of the first meeting attended by a good demographic mix of district patrons and that the meeting included discussion of declining enrollment, facility maintenance, and student continuity in fewer buildings.

**Item Added – Executive Session for Negotiations**

Motion by Kylie Hastings, second by Michelle Schmale, to enter executive session for fifteen minutes to discuss negotiations pursuant to the exception for employer-employee negotiations under KOMA, and the open meeting will resume in the board room at 7:18 pm, with Faith Flory present. Motion carried 5-0.

Kylie Hastings, Justin Ramsdell, Jamie Sowers, and Michelle Schmale returned to open session at 7:18 pm. Motion by Kylie Hastings, second by Michelle Schmale, to extend executive session for eight minutes. Motion carried 4-0.

The board returned to open session at 7:26 pm. No action taken.

**Superintendent's Report**

Jamie Sowers reported a meeting was held Monday and budgetary solutions were discussed including an approximate \$300,000 increase next year after reimbursements.

**Next Regular Board Meeting**

Wednesday, July 9, 2025

**Adjournment**

Vice-President Ramsdell adjourned the meeting at 7:28 pm

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**Amy Hill, Clerk**

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**Justin Ramsdell, Vice-President**