

**Minutes of the Board of Education  
Unified School District No. 435  
Dickinson County**

**Abilene, Kansas**

**May 9, 2016**

The Board of Education of Abilene Unified School District No. 435 met for a special meeting at 6:00 p.m. on Monday, March 21, 2016. The purpose of this meeting was to tour the bond project construction progress. Board members and meeting attendees met at the front entrance of Abilene Middle School, 500 Northwest 14th and then progressed to the new Abilene High School entrance at the north of the tennis courts on Mulberry Street.

**Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order at 6:04 p.m. by Board President Gregg Noel with the following members in attendance:

Jeff Bathurst  
Mark Wilson

Randy Gassman

Debby Barbur

Board member Barb Brittan arrived at 6:32 p.m. Board member Dr. Kari Porter-Murray was unable to be in attendance. Others attending all or part of the meeting were: Superintendent - Dr. Denise Guy, Assistant Superintendent - Chris Cooper, Board Clerk - Angie Schneider, AHS Principal - Ben Smith and Abilene Reflector Chronicle representative Kathy Hageman.

**Approval of the Agenda**

It was moved by Mark Wilson to approve the agenda. Jeff Bathurst seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

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The tour began at AMS where the old administrative space has been renovated to fit special education needs. There are conference rooms, therapy space, an office that will be shared by different special education staff, two special education classrooms and restrooms. Denise mentioned that there will have to be some additional work as the fire wall isn't high enough.

Next stop was the old weight room/wrestling room at the high school which have been combined into one space. Part of this area will house a new stairwell. The rest will be dedicated to weight room.

Girls locker rooms were next. One will be for physical education and the other will be for after school events. Denise stated that this area may be revamped to create additional locker room space.

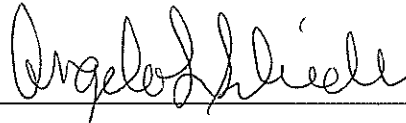
The new commons area was next on the tour. Denise pointed out that there will be a large mural over the entrance to the performance gym.

Also toured was the new administrative area which includes offices for secretaries, administrators, nurse, an in-school suspension room, conference room and work room.

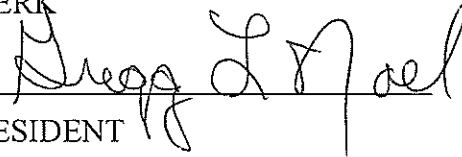
Next on the tour was the new practice gym. On the south wall, there will be bleachers to seat 400 spectators.

Further down in the commons area is a trainers room accessible to both gyms, concession stand, bathrooms, auditorium and choir room. Each of these spaces were toured.

There being no further business, a motion was made by Debby Barbur to adjourn the meeting. Barb Brittan seconded and the motion carried unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 7:04 p.m.



CLERK



PRESIDENT