

## **KAMSA BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING**

September 27, 2011 – 10:00 a.m. • Chapman USD 473 District Office

The KAMSA Board of Directors meeting was called to order at 10:00 a.m., on September 27, 2011, by President Jill Dickerson at the Chapman USD 473 District Office, Chapman, KS.

Directors present: Jill Dickerson (President), Kristy Ellis (President-Elect), Randy Heatherly (Vice President), John Sanborn (Executive Director), Jason Johnson (Dist. 2), Tavis Desormiers & Greg Koelsch (Dist. 3), David Reiser (Dist. 4), Ron Wilson & Mary Wright (Dist. 5), George Leary & Kevin Logan (Dist. 6), Eileen Dreiling (Dist. 7), Jerry Meier (Dist. 8), Matt Meek (Dist. 9), Becky Murray & Brad Miner (Dist. 10), Cheryl Semmel (USA Liaison). Bruce Krase, Jim Krone, Dave Novack & Steve Woolf, Past Presidents. Guests: Joe Handlos, Ft. Riley MS, Derek Holmes, Concordia MS, Steve Chooncharoen, WRMS Intern, Lance Burnett, Chanute MS Intern.

Directors absent: Robb Ross & Rob Sattler (Dist. 1), Neal George (Dist. 2), Mike King (Dist. 4), Brent Garrison (Dist. 7), Steve Fleeer (Dist. 8), Carmen Schaefer (Dist. 9).

Minutes of the June 6, 2011 KAMSA BOD meeting were approved. Motion to approve made by Matt Meek and seconded by George Leary. The current treasurer's report was approved. Motion to approve made by Dave Novack and seconded by Jim Krone. As of August 31, 2011 the KAMSA checking account was \$1,532.65, money market account was \$2,041.23, and certificate of deposit \$7,097.06. Total Assets: \$10,670.94.

Nominations for the position of KAMSA Vice President were called for. Dave Resier, Great Bend Middle School, was nominated and selected by a unanimous vote. Dave will take office at the January, 2012 KAMSA BOD meeting in Wichita.

A current membership list was unavailable and a discussion was held concerning ideas to increase membership. KAMSA BOD were reminded that they are allowed to give a free KAMSA membership to someone in their KAMSA District as an incentive to become a paying member in future years. Names of free membership given should be sent to John Sanborn.

The BOD of directors decided to increase the KAMSA membership dues to \$50. That will go into effect in the fall of 2012. Motion made by Bruce Krase and seconded by George Leary. Several ideas were expressed on what KAMSA needed to offer members that would encourage membership. It was decided that each KAMSA District would hold either a breakfast, luncheon or dinner roundtable get together during the month of November. District Reps are responsible for arranging the event in their district. KAMSA will pay for the meals.

John Sanborn reported that the KAMSA Website ([kamsaks.org](http://kamsaks.org)) was up to date and was still under the direction of website manager Judy Smith of Chapman.

Cheryl Semmel, USA Executive Director, gave a report on the activities currently going on in USA. It has been decided to include the member organization Presidents on the USA Legislative Committee. The KPERS Coalition meeting schedule was presented and various funding ideas were discussed. "EVERY VOTE COUNTS" Posters were given to the BOD and will be given to every school in the future.

KAMSA will take part in the USA Regional Meetings. They will have a breakout session at each one of the Regional Meetings from 4:15-5:00 p.m. A KAMSA member or members have been assigned to each Regional. October 5: (Dodge City) – Mike King; October 6: (Colby) – Robb Ross; October 12: (Topeka) Jerry Meier & Matt Meek; October 13: (Concordia) – Derek Holmes; October 26: (Girard) Randy

Heatherly; October 27: (Wichita) George Leary & Brent Garrison). Jill Dickerson will also be present at several of the Regional Meetings to help represent KAMSA.

Jerry Meier gave the report for the KAMSA Spring Conference Committee. The Conference will be held on Sunday, May 6 and Monday, May 7. The program will hopefully include a forum with Joan Wagnon (Kansas Democratic Party Chair) and Gov. Brownback or representative from his staff. Also on the agenda will be several possible topics such as MTSS, Creativity in the Classroom, Common Core, and disaster preparedness. The final agenda will be announced when it is completed. KAMSA awards will again be presented at the KAMSA Luncheon on May 7.

Jill Dickerson will serve on the selection committee for the Kansas Teacher of the Year and KAMSA will again sponsor a table at the Kansas Teacher of the Year Banquet in Wichita. Jill will represent KAMSA at the Banquet.

Committee Chair Kristy Ellis reported on the progress in the naming of the KAMSA Principal and Assistant Principal of the Year. When the people involved are notified there will be a news release.

Committee Chair Matt Meek reported on several ideas for change in the process of selecting the KAMSA Middle School of the Year, Finalists, and Exemplary Middle Schools. When the process is complete the applications will appear on the KAMSA Website.

Randy Heatherly reported on the High Performing School Awards. The application is currently on the KAMSA Website and qualifying schools need to send their application to Randy.

Fall Newsletter Articles need to be sent to Kristy Ellis by the end of the month of October. Odd District Reps are responsible for sending articles for the Fall Newsletter.

For those who were able to stay a tour was taken of the "New" Chapman Middle School. The Chapman schools were all destroyed in the June, 2008 Tornado. Chapman now has a new High School, Middle School, and Elementary School. They were able to move into them in January, 2011.

**Future Meeting Dates:**

Wednesday, January 26, 2012 (2:00 p.m.) – USA Wichita  
Sunday-Monday, May 6-7, 2012 – Washburn Rural Middle School, Topeka  
June 6 or 7, 2012 - Salina