Littrell resigns as head football coach



Louisburg High School's Kyle Littrell stepped down as head football coach Thursday and his letter of resignation was accepted by the USD 416 Board of Education during a special meeting later that night.

A week before the start of the 2016 season, Louisburg High School head football coach Kyle Littrell has resigned from his post.

During a special meeting of the USD 416 Board of Education on Thursday evening, Littrell turned in his resignation to the board and it was accepted by a 6-1 vote. He also resigned from his assistant track and field position. The board met in executive session for nearly an hour before taking a vote.

Board members Jerry Flanagan, Bruce Caldwell, John Payton, Jacob Vickrey, Lanny Smith and Dr. Sally Lundblad all voted to accept his resignation, while Rob Vohs cast the "no" vote.

During the roll call vote, Dr. Lundblad stated she wished (Littrell) was not submitting a letter of resignation as head football coach, according to the board minutes.

In a related action, the board voted to appoint LHS assistants Gary Griffin and Jeff Lohse as co-head coaches for the remainder of the year. LHS physical education teacher Zac Livingston was also named as an assistant coach for the rest of the season. The motion was passed 7-0.

Earlier in the week, reports surfaced that Littrell was arrested in July on a domestic battery charge. He posted bond and appeared in Miami County District Court on Thursday afternoon where he accepted a diversionary agreement and the case was closed.

Littrell was entering his fourth season as the Wildcat head coach. He led Louisburg to a 7-3 record a season ago and earned a spot in the state playoffs.

He was at the fall sports community pep rally Thursday evening before the board meeting and introduced his team before the crowd and talked about how excited he was for the season. A couple hours later, he resigned.

USD 416 superintendent Dr. Brian Biermann declined to comment on the situation. Littrell could not be reached for comment at this time.

The team will have its fall scrimmage at 6 p.m. tonight. The Wildcats open their season next Friday at Wyandotte and will have their home opener on Sept. 9 against Piper.