Board of Education Minutes

UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT 511

Date: February 11, 2026 Time: 6:00pm

BOARDROOM - 718 N. MAIN ATTICA, KS 67009

Regular Board of Education Meeting

The board of education met in regular session on Wednesday, February 11, 2026, and was called to order by President Lynda Newberry at 6:00 pm. Members in attendance were Christy Mans, Roger Goodman, Brett Traffas, Kristine Casper, Megan McDaniel and Ryan Stone. Also in attendance were Superintendent Daryl Daugaard, Clerk of the Board Mandy Traffas, Principal Wyatt Williams, AD Scotty McCartney and Jack Deviney.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all in attendance.

Casper motioned and Goodman seconded to go into executive session with Mr. McCartney, Mr. Daugaard and Mr. Williams for 10 minutes to discuss personnel matters of non-elected personnel in order to protect the privacy interest of an individual. 6-0, motion carried. Brett Traffas entered the meeting before the timer was set, at 6:02 pm. Meeting to resume at 6:12 pm. McDaniel motioned and Traffas seconded to extend the executive session for 5 minutes. 7-0, motion carried. Meeting to resume at 6:18 pm.

Transportation/Maintenance - Jack reviewed the only bid that was submitted for the elementary window project. The BOE reviewed the quote and a discussion was held. Per KSDE the welding truck no longer has to be listed on Purple Wave, we are able to accept bids. Per the recommendation of KSDE we will list a sealed bid opportunity open for 10 days. Those bids will be reviewed at the end of that period. The new car recently sustained a deer hit with minimal damage. Parts have been ordered to repair, and no insurance claim was necessary.

Something Good - The junior high boys basketball will play in the league tournament championship game tomorrow evening.

Amend/Adopt Agenda - McDaniel motioned and Traffas seconded to adopt the agenda, as amended, to add item G. under new business, Window Remodel Bid for action/discussion. 7-0, motion carried.

Approve Consent Agenda - Reviewed cash summaries, checks, and previous board minutes. Traffas motioned and Mans seconded to approve the consent agenda. 7-0, motion carried.

Athletic Department - Scotty reviewed some changes to the junior high pre-season tournament for next year. They are organizing something more league-team based, and they will no longer participate in the Cherokee Tournament. Some changes are coming to junior high league volleyball games as they will no longer be played on Thursdays alongside junior high football. This will require an extra day of transportation, but it logistically eases other issues. The league is continuing the discussion about charging a gate fee for junior high sports. Talk continues to circle around possible ways to structure it to help ease the school's costs, yet not be a burden on families. Fairplay has not gotten back to him through his website inquiry, but he did receive a direct contact name and number so he will be reaching out. After discussion it was determined he should additionally reach out to Daktronic to get a quote for a shot clock in the high school as well as price a play clock on the football field scoreboard. Will work on some potential sponsors for the board to help with cost. He indicated that the junior high girls need another set of lighter dumbbells as they only have one sset, which does not suffice their needs. A set will be ordered. A discussion was held on junior high football pads, and it was determined that new ones are needed for next year. Scotty indicated he will add equipment to our rotation schedule so we have a better way of tracking those and when they need to be replaced.

Senior Trip - Scotty shared the location has been picked and they had gone ahead and booked a house and rental cars.

Scotty left the meeting at 7:02 pm.

Special Education - SCKSEC hired a 6-12 teacher for the next school year.

Curriculum - Elementary is working on vetting math curriculum and social studies for secondary.

Technology - Nothing new to report.

Summer Recreation/Wellness Center - They will begin work on some renovations for the baseball field as soon as all the summer sports are over in July. Ryan Stone asked about the new nets for the batting cage and when those were going to be installed.

PDC Meeting - They will be meeting soon to discuss some pd options for next year.

SITE Council Meeting - Have not met.

District Leadership Team (DLT) - Nothing new to report.

Weighted Grades - After research on this matter, it was determined that we will not proceed with any changes to our gpa scale at this time.

Cell Phones - Mr. Daugaard review the cost of the cell phone pouch system and further discussion was held on the potential cell phone ban. The board would like to get the teacher's input on a potential policy. Mr. Williams will send a google form out and this will be reviewed at next month's meeting.

2026-2027 School Calendar - Traffas motioned and McDaniel seconded to approve the 2026-2027 school calendar as presented.

Secondary Walkthrough - Walkthrough the secondary end of the building while reviewing teacher requests and concerns and noting projects that are already scheduled or previously discussed.

Jack Deviney left the meeting at 7:59 pm.

Food Service Audit - Mandy reviewed the recent SNP Audit, which went very well.

Food Service Administration Pay - Goodman motioned and McDaniel seconded to update the food service stipend amount based on the hourly rate increase for the 2025/26 year. 7-0, motion carried.

Board Appreciation - A gift of appreciation was distributed to the board members for January's board appreciation month. A big THANK YOU for your service and dedication to the district.

Senior Trip - McDaniel motioned and Mans seconded to approve the location of the senior trip, with an itinerary to be submitted to administration as soon as possible. 7-0, motion carried.

Hire substitute teacher - Kelli Eck- McDaniel motioned and Casper seconded to hire Kelli Eck as a substitute teacher. 7-0, motion carried.

Window Remodel Bid - Mans motioned and Stone seconded to approve the bid for the elementary window remodel project from Single Carpentry. 7-0, motion carried.

Items & Comments by Board Members - We will take the annual BOE photo for the yearbook prior to next month's meeting.

Administrative Reports - Mr. Williams updated on several items. The preliminary master schedule is almost ready. He attended CTE/Pathways training last week, which was beneficial. This year's Pathways have been submitted, and he will start working on next year's. LETRS trainings are close to being complete for a few more staff. He gave a big thank you and job well done on the tournament hospitality room and a successfully hosted tournament.
Mr. Daugaard informed the board that we received another HCCF endowment check, which is much appreciated. He gave an update on the large number of illnesses that have been going through the district that caused our shutdown last week. He noted the recent statewide graduation rate that was released recently. He informed them of an ad valorem meeting he attended last week regarding a tax rebate program within the county and some potential changes with how those refunds are handled. There was limited information given at this meeting. A discussion was held on Chaparral's request to move the welding program portion of the CTE cooperative to their campus. There was a meeting scheduled with the superintendents and Pratt Community College to further discuss this proposal, but Chris Whetzel with Chaparral canceled it with the request to put it on hold until he can re-align with his board. More updates to come.

<u>Executive Sessions</u>

Personnel Matters - Goodman motioned and Traffas seconded to go into executive session with Mr. Daugaard and Mr. Williams for 5 minutes to discuss personnel matters of non-elected personnel in order to protect the privacy interest of an individual. 7-0, motion carried. Meeting to resume at 8:45 pm.

Goodman motioned and Traffas seconded to go into executive session with Mr. Daugaard and Mr. Williams for 15 minutes to discuss personnel matters of non-elected personnel in order to protect the privacy interest of an individual. 7-0, motion carried. Meeting to resume at 9:00 pm. Traffas motioned and Casper seconded to extend the executive session for 5 minutes. 7-0, motion carried. Meeting to resume at 9:05 pm.

Traffas motioned and McDaniel seconded to adjourn the meeting. 7-0, motion carried.

Meeting adjourned 9:06 pm.

Mandy Traffas
Clerk of the Board