Board of Education Minutes
UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT 511

Date: June 8, 2026 Time: 6:00 pm

BOARDROOM - 718 N. MAIN ATTICA, KS 67009

Regular Board of Education Meeting

The board of education met in regular session on Monday, June 8, 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, AD Scotty McCartney, Logan Capps, and Cheri Ricke.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all in attendance.

President Newberry welcomed the guests.

Eck Insurance Review - Cheri Ricke with Eck Agency reviewed the insurance quote for the district for the upcoming year. Discussion held on the ISO rating change that triggered a substantial increase in our premium with EMC. With input from Logan Capps, the town's Fire Chief, who explained the ISO classification and the information he had obtained regarding the situation, it was determined that a re-evaluation was needed due to incorrect information that could be the cause of this hike. Cheri will look into this and report back.

Wyatt Williams entered the meeting at 6:22 pm.

Cheri Ricke and Logan Capps left the meeting at 6:33 pm.

Athletic Department - AD Scotty McCartney reviewed the football field and high school gym play clock quotes and an update on the shot clock installation in the Wellness Center. He reviewed some updates to the supplemental coaching positions and applicants/interest in the open positions. Discussion held on baseball/softball cooperative possibilities.

Scotty McCartney left the meeting at 7 pm.

Something Good - Laney Vandeveer did well at state track, placing 5th in high jump. A big thank you to Logan Capps for helping with the seeding of the football field. The 2nd-3rd grade boys rec baseball have had another undefeated season, and the high school boys MAYB teams played well in the 1A-2A tournament this past weekend.

Amend/Adopt Agenda - Goodman motioned and Traffas seconded to adopt the agenda. 7-0, motion carried.

Approve Consent Agenda - Review of cash summaries and the previous minutes. The meeting is early, so checks will not be cut until later this week. The payable journal will be sent out once they are done. McDaniel motioned and Casper seconded to approve the consent agenda. 7-0, motion carried.

Special Education - Mr. Daugaard will be attending the meeting tomorrow.

Curriculum - Review of Kaitlin Tatro's summary of curriculum being refilled or purchased for next year.

Technology - Ray is working on assessing and purchasing items needed to prepare for the upcoming school year.

Summer Recreation/Wellness Center - At this time there is no new director; however, Jack and Lydia Deviney have been helping out with some things on an interim basis until a more permanent solution is hired.

Transportation/Maintenance - Review of the inventory/report that was completed and provided by Fahnestock, summarizing all of our HVAC units with a map/age/date etc. of them. The football field and practice field have been re-seeded, and a new sprinkler quote for the high school football field was reviewed. A rubber mulch quote for the playground was reviewed as well, and the secondary flooring project and the elementary window project will start in the next few weeks. A private party inquired about possibly purchasing the tractor. If that does not result in a purchase, it will be placed on Purple Wave. Black Hills Energy has been contacted about the voluntary tree growing in their fenced area, but they have not yet been out. The bus fleet will soon start going to Ricke's for the annual summer maintenance. Some liquid fertilizer will be purchased for the football field as an additive to all the re-seeding that just took place, to give it the best chance for successful regrowth.

PDC Meeting - Nothing new to report.

SITE Council Meeting - Nothing new to report.

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

Handbooks - Did not have final versions ready to present. Will table until next month for final approval.

Loyd Group Audit Agreement - McDaniel motioned and Goodman seconded to approve the Loyd Group Audit Agreement for the 25-26 audit. 7-0, motion carried.

Football Field Sprinkler - Casper motioned and Stone seconded to proceed with the purchase of the new sprinkler for the football field. 7-0, motion carried.

End-of-Year Transfers - Clerk of the Board Mandy Traffas and Superintendent Daugaard discussed the upcoming year-end transfer recommendations for the board to consider as we head into fiscal year end.

Background Checks - A release is obtained for completing background checks on our applicants, but there has not been consistency in performing them. Will look into a company to use for these to ensure they are being done on new hires going forward.

Needs Assessment/State Assessment - Mr. Daugaard reviewed the needs assessment and state assessment scores with the board. Mr. Williams will have a comprehensive breakdown of state assessment scores for jr high/high school for the next meeting. Discussion held on creating an incentive program for state testing improvements for students and staff.

KASB Policy Updates 1st Read - Reviewed KASB policy update recommendations. Will make the necessary changes to EE and JBCC to ensure our own changes are included in those as well. Will present all at the next meeting for final read.

Ratification of Negotiated Agreement - Mans motioned and McDaniel seconded to ratify the negotiated agreement for the 2026-2027 school year. 7-0, motion carried.

Items & Comments by Board Members - None.

Administrative Reports - Mr. Williams gave dates for upcoming football camps and Mr. Daugaard updated on dates he will be out of the office this month.

Executive Sessions

Personnel Matters - Traffas motioned and Mans seconded to go into executive session for 10 minutes with Mr. Daugaard and Mr. Williams 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 8:54 pm. Mandy Traffas brought into the executive session at 8:52 pm, exited at 8:54 pm. Casper motioned and Traffas seconded to extend the original session for 30 minutes. 7-0, motion carried. Meeting to resume at 9:25 pm. Goodman motioned and Traffas seconded to extend the session for 5 minutes. 7-0, motion carried. Meeting to resume at 9:30 pm.

Supplementals - Mans motioned and Stone seconded to approve the fall sport supplementals as presented to hire Austin Newberry as high school head boys basketball coach, Lance Vandeveer as high school head track coach, Jack Deviney as high school assistant football coach, Scotty McCartney as high school assistant track coach, Jason Fahring as junior high head football coach and Tye McDaniel as junior high assistant football coach. 7-0, motion carried.

Classified Salary Increase - Goodman motioned and McDaniel seconded to approve the classified salary increase for classified as presented. 7-0, motion carried.

Custodian Position - Tabled at this time.

Elementary Teacher Position - Tabled at this time.

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

Meeting adjourned 9:33 pm.

Mandy Traffas

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Clerk of the Board