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Board of Education Minutes
Wichita Public Schools · USD 259
Wichita, Kansas
May 2, 2022

Roll Call	The Board of Education of Unified School District No. 259, Sedgwick County, Kansas, met in regular session in the Wichita High School North Lecture Hall, 1437 Rochester, Wichita, Kansas, at approximately 6 p.m., on May 2, 2022, with President Stan Reeser presiding. Present: Diane Albert, Julie Hedrick, Ernestine Krehbiel, Sheril Logan, Stan Reeser, and Hazel Stabler. Absent: Kathy Bond.
Moment of Silence/Pledge of Allegiance	The business portion of the meeting opened with a moment of silence followed by the Pledge of Allegiance by the Heights High JROTC Cadets.
Reports – Good News	Class of 2022 Scholarship Recognition Contact(s): Amanda Kingrey Several graduating seniors in the Class of 2022 have been rewarded with scholarships for higher education. The top ten scholarship recipients of each high school are recognized this evening. 2021 Challenge Award Recipients Contact(s): Wendy Johnson Eight Wichita Public Schools have been named 2021 Challenge Award winners. The Confidence in Kansas Public Education Task Force annually recognizes schools for outstanding achievement and uncommon accomplishment based on Kansas math and reading assessment results and other qualifying factors, specifically the sample size, ethnicity, and social-economic status of those taking the test. In addition, graduation rates when calculating high school results, and chronic absenteeism rates for middle and elementary schools, are factored into consideration. Middle Schools: • Allison Traditional Magnet Middle School • Brooks Center for STEM and Arts Magnet Middle School • Mayberry Cultural and Fine Arts Magnet Middle School K-8: • Horace Mann K-8 Dual Language Magnet Elementary Schools: • Franklin Elementary School • Kensler Elementary School • Lawrence Elementary School • McLean Science and Technology Magnet Elementary School

Reports – Good News *(continued)*	JROTC Corps Staff Selection Board Contact(s): Col. Robert Hester (ret.) The district Junior Reserve Officers' Training Corps (JROTC) Staff Selection Board was conducted on March 9. Members of the Board were Deputy Superintendent Gil Alvarez, Assistant Superintendent Amanda Kingrey, BOE Member Kathy Bond and County Commissioner Chair Col. David Dennis (ret.). Cadets appearing before the Board were: Caiden Ashley (Southeast), Jacob Berry (Heights), Brian Rorabaugh (Northeast Magnet), Alex Richey (South), Carol Lara (East), Isabela Velazquez (North), and Jordan Wiltsey (Northwest). Cadets selected were Carol Lara as Commander; Jacob Berry as Deputy Commander; and Jordan Wiltsey as Corps Sergeant Major. 2022 Excellence in Public Service Awards Contact(s): Wendy Johnson The Excellence in Public Service Award Program usually honors up to three public service employees each year whose work performance and community activities transcend the ordinary. Through this program, the City of Wichita, Sedgwick County and Wichita Public Schools also acknowledge the contributions of thousands of other dedicated public servants who, day after day, perform the tasks that make our community a great place to live and work. The award winners are selected from among thousands of eligible workers and have represented all ranks and levels of public service. Each winner demonstrates some combination of the following attributes essential to excellent public service: • Exemplary performance that has contributed to the public interest, • Innovative problem-solving skills that have improved service delivery, • Adherence to high ethical standards in carrying out job responsibilities, • A record of community involvement through participation in civic organizations; and • Significant contribution toward COVID-19 response in the workplace and/or community This year's WPS honoree is Fabián Armendariz, Director of Operations. He will be recognized at a reception at Botanica on May 12th.
United Teachers of Wichita (UTW)	Brent Lewis, UTW President. Topic: Teacher contributions to student success.
Public Communications	None submitted.

Education	
District Mental Health Initiatives	Gil Alvarez (Deputy Superintendent), Terri Moses (Director of Safety and Environmental Services), Sean Hudspeth (Chief Human Resources Officer), and Vince Evans (Assistant Superintendent for Student Services & Programs) briefed the Board. School-based mental health services are an increasingly necessary component of public education. This presentation provides an overview of how the district addresses the mental health needs of students and staff. The complete presentation is included in the archival copies of this BOE Agenda and Minutes. This presentation was provided for the Board's information.
International Institute for Restorative Practices	Michele Ingenthron (Assistant Superintendent for Elementary Schools) and Branden Johnson (Executive Director for Secondary Schools) briefed the Board. This presentation focuses on the benefits of Restorative Practices in creating stronger school communities, cultivating relationships within the school setting, and building social connections within these communities. Board member Julie Hedrick noted her approval of this program and that she received positive reports regarding restorative practices at her recent trip to the National Association of School Boards conference. The complete presentation is included in the archival copies of this BOE Agenda and Minutes. This presentation was provided for the Board's information.
Consent: Disposal of Routine Business	Mr. Reeser (Ms. Krehbiel) moved the Board of Education approve the following items of routine business. The motion passed 6-0, with Kathy Bond absent.
Human Resources Report Appendix 1	Board approval.
Monthly Finance Report: March 2022 Appendix 2	Provided for the Board's information. No action is requested.
Purchasing Consent Appendix 3	Board approval.
Advanced Placement (AP) Exams	Approve the payment of Advanced Placement Exam invoices in an amount not to exceed $85,000.
BrightThinker – Education Imagine Academy	Approve an agreement to implement an online curriculum with BrightThinker, payment not to exceed $40,000.
International Institute for Restorative Practices Appendix 4	Authorize the district to fund Restorative Practices Professional Learning in an amount not to exceed $2,790,920.00 from federal ESSER funds. This would cover costs from August 31, 2022 to August 31, 2023.
Perfection Learning and Bedford, Freeman & Worth – Secondary Advanced Placement English Language Arts Curricular Resources Appendix 5	Authorize the purchase of the Secondary Advanced Placement English Language Arts Curricular resources with Perfection Learning and Bedford, Freeman & Worth in an amount not to exceed $140,000.00.

PLC+ Playbook Appendix 6	Authorize the district to enter into an agreement with Corwin Press, Inc., A SAGE Publications, Inc. company, during the 2022-23 school year to provide professional learning services and materials not to exceed a cost of $45,000 to be funded by ESSER Funds.
BOE Meeting Minutes for April 11, 2022 Appendix 7	Board approval.
Legal Services: Fleeson, Gooing, Coulson & Kitch, LLC and McDonald Tinker PA	Authorize payment for legal services and expenses for Civil Litigation and Worker's Compensation under the school district's self-insured programs for March 2022 in the amount of $10,312.80 to Fleeson, Gooing, Coulson & Kitch, LLC and the amount of $12,794.80 to McDonald Tinker PA.
2022-23 Building Crisis Plan Template (Annual) Appendix 8	Approve the 2022-23 Building Crisis Plan Template.
Houghton Mifflin Harcourt, Lab-Aids, McGraw Hill, Savvas, and Vernier - Secondary Science Curricular Resources Appendix 9	Authorize the purchase of the Secondary Science Curricular resources with Houghton Mifflin Harcourt, Lab-Aids, McGraw Hill, Savvas, and Vernier in an amount not to exceed $2,400,000.
T-Mobile Lease Renewal at Northwest High School	Approve the lease renewal with T-Mobile at Northwest High School. The BOE's General Counsel has reviewed and approved the lease agreement.
Policy	
Second Review: BOE Policy 1350 Pre-Kindergarten Programs Appendix 10	As part of an ongoing effort to consolidate BOE policies, Administration proposes the following consolidation of Learning Services policy 1350. **Current Policy** / **Proposed** / **Title** / **Notes** 1350 / NA / Pre-Kindergarten Programs / Update AIPs Ms. Logan (Ms. Stabler) moved the Board adopt the proposed policy change. The motion passed, 6-0, with Kathy Bond absent.
Operations	
School Meal Program Options for 2022-23	Fabián Armendariz (Director of Operations) and Susan Willis (Chief Financial Officer) briefed the Board. On March 10, Congress did not extend the Child Nutrition Waivers into next school year. This means the USDA will no longer allow schools to serve free meals to all students after June 30th or whenever the 2021-22 school year ends. This presentation discusses the Wichita Public Schools' plan for meal programming next year and what it means to students, parents, and families. The complete presentation is included in the archival copies of this BOE Agenda and Minutes. This presentation is for the Board's information.

Miscellaneous	
Superintendent's Report	None submitted.
Board of Education Reports/Requests	Hazel Stabler - Attended Good Apple Award presentations in her district and enjoyed surprising teachers. - Went to STEALTH's Lights On! Afterschool program at Exploration Place. - Participated in PTO meeting at McLean Elementary. - Toured Heights High School and Chisholm Trail Elementary. - Celebrated with Earhart Elementary at their Earth Day festivities, and with her family delivered a presentation to students. - Served as barista at Horace Mann Academy as part of Teacher Appreciation Day. - Went to Riverside Elementary's annual art show and commends students, parents, and staff for organizing the event. - Reminds community that American Indian Education Powwow is May 14 at the Mid-America All Indian Center. Sheril Logan - Has been in many district buildings and reports things are going great in all of them. Julie Hedrick - Also attended STEALTH's Lights On! Afterschool program at Exploration Place and Good Apple Awards in her district. - Went to Earth Day at Earhart Elementary and had lunchtime conversation with students. Notes students there are enthusiastic and engaged in school programming. - Requests that staff begin the process of bringing our school board boundaries within the population guidelines we are required to meet, per KSA §72-1077, which calls for redistricting if any board member district is at least 5% above or 5% below the average population of all board member districts within the school district, based on the most recently published federal census. District Two is more than 5% above the average population of all districts, so member districts need to be adjusted accordingly. As part of this request, asks staff to bring map options to the BOE for Board to vote on within 60 days in order to comply with our statutory requirement. - Requests staff provide the Board with a timeline and process necessary to put the issue of district-only elections on the November general election ballot for WPS voters. Stan Reeser - Echoes comments by other Board members and notes miracles large and small are happening in the district. - Has additional school visits and high school graduations to attend in May. Ernestine Krehbiel - Notes this week is Teacher Appreciation Week and states that good things are happening in school district because of teachers and staff. - Attended Art that Touches Your Heart event where Dr. Alicia Thompson received recognition and an award.

Board of Education Reports/Requests *(continued)*	Diane Albert - Also attended Good Apple Awards at schools in her district. - Also attended Earhart Elementary Earth Day celebration and received a personally guided tour from former Earhart student. - Spoke at Earhart Elementary PTO meeting and reports parents are pleased their students may continue with related students through Coleman Middle School's magnet program.
New Business	None submitted.
Executive Session #1: Employer-Employee Negotiations	At approximately 9 p.m., Ms. Hedrick (Mr. Reeser) moved the Board recess into an executive session to discuss matters relating to employer-employee negotiations. The motion passed 6-0, with Kathy Bond absent.
Reconvene Meeting	At approximately 9:15 p.m., Board President Reeser reconvened the meeting.
Executive Session #2: Attorney-Client Privilege	At approximately 9:15 p.m., Ms. Hedrick (Ms. Logan) moved the Board recess into an executive session for consultation with an attorney which would be deemed privileged in attorney-client relationship. The motion passed 5-0, with Ms. Albert, Mr. Reeser, Ms. Hedrick, Ms. Logan, and Ms. Stabler voting.
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Adjournment	Ms. Hedrick (Ms. Logan) moved the meeting adjourn. The motion passed 5-0, with Ms. Albert, Mr. Reeser, Ms. Hedrick, Ms. Logan, and Ms. Stabler voting. At approximately 9:27 p.m., the meeting adjourned.