

**Board of Education Agenda  
Wichita Public Schools - USD 259  
December 12, 2022 - 6 p.m.  
Wichita High School North Lecture Hall  
1437 Rochester - Wichita KS**



Wichita Public Schools will be the district of choice in our region,  
where all students and staff are empowered to dream, believe and achieve.

**I. Roll Call**

- A. Moment of Silence
- B. Pledge of Allegiance – Hamilton Middle School JROTC Cadets

**II. Reports**

- A. Report – Superintendent’s Student Advisory Council (SuperSAC)

Reporters: Alayna Alvarez and Eli Eustache, Northwest High School

- B. Report – Good News

- 1. 2023 East High National Merit Semi-Finalists

Contact(s): Amanda Kingrey

The Board recognizes the following students from East High School as National Merit semifinalists: Auggie Au, Kate Halabi, Jackson Kleeman, Esther Liu, and Nathan Balderas.

- 2. Custodial Recognition

Contact(s): Albert Jackson

Wichita Public Schools honors and recognizes our custodial staff who have been with us for 20 & 30 years: Robert Garcia (37 years, Custodial Supervisor), Farm McCoy (30 years, Head Custodian-Dunbar), Johnny McKinzie (28 years, Head Custodian-Ortiz, Farron Robinson (20 years, Custodian-Adams), Tony DeLaGarza (20 years, Custodian-Colvin), and Christopher Hughes (20 years, Custodian-Peterson).

3. WPS Downtown Wichita Holiday Street Banner Design Contest

Contact(s): Shawn Chastain

This Fall, over 280 WPS 4<sup>th</sup> Grade art students participated in Downtown Wichita's Street Banner Design Contest. Each student created unique artwork along the theme of "Hometown Holidays". Representing all student entries, 22 designs from 10 WPS Elementary Schools were selected for printing on banners that are currently displayed along Douglas Avenue, from Washington to Topeka. All 2022 entries can be found at [downtownwichita.org](http://downtownwichita.org).

C. Report – Service Employees International

D. Report – United Teachers of Wichita

### III. Public Communications

A member of the public (speaker) may address the Board during the Public Communications section of the BOE Agenda. Comments by public speakers made during the Public Communications will be limited to items on the BOE Agenda or items within the jurisdiction of the Board. The number of speakers who speak during Public Communications will not exceed ten. A speaker, in lieu of speaking during Public Communications, may speak during an agenda item. Comments during an agenda item will be limited to the topic of the agenda item. Speakers may register to speak by calling the Clerk of the Board at 973-4553 by noon on the day of the BOE meeting, or they may register at the location of the BOE meeting until 10 minutes before the meeting begins. When registering to speak, a speaker will identify the topic the speaker wishes to address. A speaker's comments at a meeting will not exceed 3 minutes, will be limited to the registered topic, and will not include personnel matters concerning district employees and/or matters that would violate the privacy of students. Speakers will provide twelve (12) copies of any handouts to the Clerk of the Board's table for distribution at the Board table. For more information and restrictions, please see BOE Policy 0200 - BOE Agendas and Meetings.

1. Marcus Curran, 1723 SW Boulevard, Wichita, KS 67213. Topic: Construction projects.

### IV. Education

A. Multilingual Education Services and English for Speakers of Other Languages

Contact(s): Gil Alvarez, Andi Giesen, Shannon Benoit

Funding Source: NA

Purpose: The purpose of this presentation is to provide an overview to the Board of Education regarding MES and ESOL programming.

Recommendation: This information is for the Board's information.

### V. Consent

A. Human Resources

1. Human Resources Report

Appendix 1

Contact(s): Sean Hudspeth

Purpose: Report.

Recommendation: Board approval.

Note: The Human Resources report is not published on the district's Web site. The report is available from the Clerk of the Board's office before noon on Board meeting dates, or in the display rack outside the North High Lecture Hall before Board meetings.

B. Finance

1. Treasury Warrants: [October 2022](#)

[Appendix 2](#)

Contact(s): Susan Willis  
Purpose: Monthly report.  
Recommendation: Board approval.

2. Monthly Finance Report: [October 2022](#)

[Appendix 3](#)

Contact(s): Susan Willis  
Funding Source: NA  
Purpose: This is a monthly report to the Board on the budget and finances of the district.  
Recommendation: The report is provided for the Board’s information. No action is requested.

C. Bids

1. Purchasing Consent

[Appendix 4](#)

Purpose: Report.  
Recommendation: Board approval.

Summary

Description of products/services	Amount	Responsible Party
1. Tire Changer	\$36,393.00	Amanda Kingrey
2. Learning Modules & Equipment	\$47,896.00	Amanda Kingrey
3. My Learning Plan Maintenance & Support Add'l	\$97,000.00	Rob Dickson
4. Digital Repeaters - Additional	\$200,000.00	Terri Moses
5. Walk In Cooler and Freezer	\$69,980.00	Fabian Armendariz
6. Food – October 2022	\$874,731.58	Fabian Armendariz
7. Supply Warehouse – October 2022	\$196,176.50	Fabian Armendariz

2. Emergency Responder Radio Coverage (EERC) Survey RFP/Q – Various Sites

Contact(s): Luke Newman  
Funding Source: Capital Outlay  
2022-23 Budget

Purpose: The 2022-23 Capital Outlay Fund includes monies for consulting services. The district recently solicited proposals from vendors interested in conducting Emergency Responder Radio Coverage Surveys (ERRC) at all District owned sites. The testing will be performed to identify additional radio coverage needs in our buildings due to changes in frequencies used by local law enforcement/first responders. Requests for Proposal/Qualifications (RFP/Q) were received on November 29, 2022. The selection committee has decided to award this RFP/Q to Sandifer Engineering and Controls Inc.

Recommendation: It is recommended that The Board approve a contract with Sandifer Engineering and Controls Inc in the amount not to exceed \$115,000 to conduct Emergency Responder Radio Coverage Surveys at all district owned sites.

3. ESSER HVAC Upgrade – Benton Elementary School

Contact(s): Luke Newman

Funding Source: Capital Outlay and Federal Funds (ESSER)  
2022-23 Budget

Purpose: The 2022-23 Capital Outlay Fund includes monies for HVAC upgrades at various district sites. Bids were received on November 30, 2022, according to plans and specifications prepared by Integrated Consulting Engineers, Inc., to provide HVAC upgrades at Benton Elementary School. Replacing the aging mechanical systems at Benton Elementary School will improve the indoor air quality by providing higher quality ventilation and filtration. Equipment to be upgraded through replacement includes boilers, chillers, HVAC pumps, dedicated outside air system, classroom units with new blower coils, and replacement of hydronic and chilled water piping. HVAC control system upgrades are also included and incorporate new sensors and alarm functions to monitor and control indoor air quality, comfort, and energy, consistent with current code requirements and district standards. Final system turnover will occur at the conclusion of summer 2023. The low bidder was Hutton Construction.

Recommendation: It is recommended that the Board approve an amount not to exceed \$4,275,000, which includes a contingency amount of \$458,962.16, with Hutton Construction for the HVAC Upgrade at Benton Elementary School.

D. Programs/Grants

1. Education Edge Grant Disbursements

[Appendix 5](#)

Contact(s): Holly Wilson

Funding Source: Education Edge Gift Funds at Wichita Community Foundation  
2022-23 Budget

Purpose: The Education EDGE has received funds to support non-budget expenditures for athletics, fine arts, and mini grants. In accordance with BOE Policy 1785 – WPS Gift Funds, the Superintendent requests the disbursement of gift funds to appropriate district accounts for expenditure. The requests are described in [Appendix 5](#).

Recommendation: It is recommended that the Board authorize the transfer of funds from the Wichita Community Foundation in the following amounts: Athletics: \$145,000 Fine Arts: \$30,000; and Classroom Mini-Grants: \$180,000.

2. External Grant and Evaluation Services: 21<sup>st</sup> Century Community Learning Centers

Contact(s): Gil Alvarez, Holly Wilson, Dee Dee Stroot  
Funding Source: 21<sup>st</sup> Century Community Learning Centers Grant  
2022-23 Budget

Purpose: It is a requirement of the federal 21<sup>st</sup> Century Community Learning Centers Grant to acquire the services of external grant evaluators. The evaluators will be contracted to provide assistance in determining what progress nine sites are making in implementation of the grant, funded July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023, of the project and to what extent the program is achieving expected results and outcomes. The evaluators will determine the best procedure to measure each indicator in each smart goal and how to best gather data. Evaluators will provide a detailed report of findings at the end of the grant year which is submitted to KSDE. The nine sites are: Adams, Anderson, Cleaveland, Gordon Parks, Ortiz, Linwood, Spaght, Washington, and White.

Recommendation: It is recommended that the Board approve External Grant Evaluation services for these nine sites for the 21<sup>st</sup> Century Community Learning Center Grant: Adams, Anderson, Cleaveland, Gordon Parks, Ortiz, Linwood, Spaght, Washington and White. Services will be provided by the South Central Kansas Educational Service Center – Greenbush in an amount not to exceed \$30,360.

E. Miscellaneous

1. BOE Meeting Minutes for November 7, 2022

Appendix 6

Contact(s): Patrick Greene

Purpose: The BOE Meeting Minutes for November 7, 2022, are attached in the Appendix.

Recommendation: Board approval.

2. BOE Meeting Minutes for November 21, 2022

Appendix 7

Contact(s): Patrick Greene

Purpose: The BOE Meeting Minutes for November 21, 2022, are attached in the Appendix.

Recommendation: Board approval.

3. Legal Services: Fleeson, Goosing, Coulson & Kitch, LLC and McDonald Tinker PA

Contact(s): Sean Hudspeth, Dan Lawrence

Funding Source: 47 Fund – Risk Management Reserve Fund, 42 Fund – Special Liability, 52 Fund – Worker’s Compensation Reserve Fund  
2022-23 Budget

Purpose: Fleeson, Goosing, Coulson & Kitch, LLC has submitted a statement for October 2022 legal services and expenses for Civil Litigation in the amount of \$14,785.16.

McDonald Tinker PA has submitted a statement for October 2022 legal services and expenses for Worker’s Compensation in the amount of \$5,659.30.

This brings the 2022-23 fiscal year-to-date total to \$52,670.89 for Civil Litigation services and \$27,508.33 for Worker’s Compensation services.

Recommendation: It is recommended that the Board authorize payment for legal services and expenses for Civil Litigation and Worker’s Compensation under the school district’s self-insured programs for October 2022 in the amount of \$14,785.16 to Fleeson, Goosing, Coulson & Kitch, LLC and the amount of \$5,659.30 to McDonald Tinker PA.

4. Clay Tile Roof Repairs – North High School

Contact(s): Sean Hudspeth, Danielle Dettmer, Luke Newman, Douglas Mumma

Funding Source: 47 Fund – Self-Funded Insurance Reserve  
2022-23 Budget

Purpose: On June 30, 2022, it was discovered that North High School’s clay tile roof has several broken tiles. The incident is linked to vandalism as there are physical markings of people who have had unauthorized access to the area. SGA, LC was hired to appraise the damages and it is recommended we reserve \$47,785.88 plus an additional \$12,000 due to supply and demand of the clay tile work and materials.

Recommendation: It is recommended the Board approve \$59,785.88 for Reconstruction Services, LLC to repair North High School’s roof.

5. Riverside Elementary School - Re-Establishment of Adjacent Property Line

Contact(s): Luke Newman

Funding Source: NA

Purpose: The district purchased property as part of the 2000 bond issue for expansion at Riverside Elementary School. The property the district purchased included a portion of land that coincides with an adjacent property owner’s land. As a result, the district is responsible for helping maintain the infrastructure located on the portion of land we are in co-possession of. It has been determined by district administration that the property lines between Riverside Elementary School and the adjacent property owner identified should be re-established to reflect the true limits of responsibility and ownership more accurately.

Recommendation: It is recommended that the Board approve a re-establishment of property lines and transfer of all applicable title and interest to the adjacent property owner identified, per the survey provided by Baughman Company.

6. Logan River Academy – Student Placement

Contact(s): Vince Evans, Dan Lawrence  
Funding Source: Special Education  
2022-23 Budget

Purpose: Student Support Services and Legal Services are requesting approval of an agreement between the District and Logan River Academy for the parties to work together to assure that the student receives the services required under the student's IEP, all as ordered by the hearing officer in a due process proceeding involving a district student.

Recommendation: It is recommended that the Board approve the settlement agreement.

7. Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with City of Wichita – Knox Boxes

Contact(s): Luke Newman  
Funding Source: Capital Outlay  
2022-23 Budget

Purpose: The City of Wichita Fire Department has requested that the district enter into an MOU to provide Knox Boxes (for key storage) on all elevators and secured entrances where first responders are unable to gain full entry to the building via district-controlled remote access.

Recommendation: It is recommended that The Board approve an MOU with the City of Wichita for installation of the necessary Knox Boxes. District General Council has approved the MOU as to form.

8. Nearpod

Contact(s): Rob Dickson  
Funding Source: Supplemental General  
2022-23 Budget

Purpose: Nearpod allows every student a voice in the classroom regardless of where and when class is held. Teachers can share presentations with built-in activities that are mostly used for learning checkpoints or enhancing learning. Every student, with any device, can have the teacher's presentation and activities on their device. This reduces the need for teachers to share their screen, and they can focus on instruction.

This also allows students to learn at an independent pace or a teacher-controlled pace. Students can show evidence of learning in many ways, including experiencing a 360 location, gamified review, drawing tools, a collaboration board, and much more. Payment will not exceed \$160,000.

Recommendation: It is recommended the Board of Education approve implementing NearPod, for staff licenses K-12 in an amount not to exceed \$160,000.

9. Northwest High School Band Trip to National World War II Museum

Contact(s): Amanda Kingrey, Branden Johnson  
Funding Source: Instructional Funds (pass-through for student-paid fees)  
2022-23 Budget

Purpose: This agenda item requests the Board approve out of state field trip for Northwest High School Band students to visit and perform in New Orleans at the National World War II Museum and French Quarter. Families are responsible for paying the school for the trip, monies go into a pass-through account, and the district pays invoices. The trip expenditures will not exceed \$94,500.

Recommendation: It is recommended that the Board approve field trip not to exceed \$94,500.

10. Playground Repairs – Stanley Elementary School

Contact(s): Sean Hudspeth, Danielle Dettmer, Luke Newman, Douglas Mumma  
Funding Source: 47 Fund – Self-Funded Insurance Reserve  
2022-23 Budget

Purpose: On October 14, 2022, Stanley Elementary's playground equipment sustained extensive damage due to vandalism. The damage requires the replacement of rubber mulch, the border of the playground area, and the equipment. The damage resulted in an appraised repair value of \$141,465.20 based on SGA, LC's report.

Recommendation: It is recommended the Board approve \$141,465.20 for the repair of the fire damaged playground and equipment.

11. Student Tuition and Travel – Due Process Settlement

Appendix 9

Contact(s): Vince Evans, Dan Lawrence  
Funding Source: Special Education  
2022-23 Budget

Purpose: Student Support Services and Legal Services are requesting approval of reimbursement payments to parents for tuition and travel expenses ordered by the hearing officer in the matter of a due process proceeding involving a district student.

Recommendation: It is recommended that the Board approve the settlement agreement.



12. Symetra Stop Loss Carrier Contract

Contact(s): Sean Hudspeth, Danielle Dettmer  
Funding Source: 47 Fund  
2022-23 Budget

Purpose: At the June 13, 2022, BOE meeting, annual items were approved for the medical, pharmacy, vision, and dental benefits as part of the Employee Benefits package. HCC was named as the carrier of the specific stop loss policy with a deductible of \$700,000 on each individual claim with an aggregating specific corridor of an additional \$300,000 in plan liability. Stop loss policies renew based on calendar year. Renewal rates for HCC came in with a 4.2% increase. Competitor Symetra came in with an 18% reduction with moving the deductible to \$750,000 and maintaining the aggregate specific corridor of additional liability at \$300,000. Rarely, if ever, does an individual claim meet this deductible, so moving the deductible up to lower annual premiums appeared financially prudent. The annual premium total for Symetra will be \$1,156,363, as compared to the prior carrier of HCC's new quote at \$1,688,529.

This item is being returned to the Board due to the new vendor being named for 2023. We return to the Board with the new carrier but with no new financial requests as this is a reduction in premium.

Recommendation: It is recommended that the Board approve a new contract with Symetra for the stop loss carrier on the health plans as of 2023.

**VI. Policy**

A. Second Review: Proposed Updates to Transportation Policies

Appendix 10

Contact(s): Dan Lawrence, Fabián Armendáriz, Sean Hudspeth  
Funding Source: NA

Purpose: The proposed changes to P7350 and Form 7350e are an effort to mitigate risk, strengthen driver verification processing, and enable valuable transportation while protecting our students.

Current Policy	Proposed	Title	Notes
P7350	N/A	School Trips and Student Transportation in Private Vehicles	Updates to AIPs

Recommendation: It is recommended that the Board adopt the proposed revisions.

**VII. Miscellaneous**

- A. Superintendent's Report
- B. Board of Education Report/Requests
- C. New Business
- D. Adjournment