

Board of Education Minutes
Wichita Public Schools - USD 259
Wichita, Kansas
June 29, 2023

Roll Call	<p>The Board of Education of Unified School District No. 259, Sedgwick County, Kansas, met in special session in the Alvin E. Morris Administrative Center, Room 813, 903 S. Edgemoor, Wichita, Kansas, at approximately 12:05 p.m., on June 29, 2023, with President Sheril Logan presiding.</p> <p>Present: Diane Albert, Julie Hedrick, Ernestine Krehbiel, Sheril Logan, Stan Reeser*, Hazel Stabler, and Kathy Bond.</p> <p>*Mr. Reeser joined the meeting at approximately 12:07 p.m.</p>
Moment of Silence/Pledge of Allegiance	<p>The business portion of the meeting opened with a moment of silence followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.</p>
Reports	
Report – Service Employees International (SEIU)	Esau Freeman, SEIU Business Manager. <u>Topic</u> : Appreciation for summer work from employees.
Report – United Teachers of Wichita (UTW)	Katie Warren, UTW President. <u>Topic</u> : Collaboration with educators.
Public Communications	None submitted.
Consent: Disposal of Routine Business	<p>Ms. Hedrick (Mrs. Bond) moved the Board of Education approve the following items of routine business.</p> <p>The motion passed 7-0.</p>
Treasury Warrants for June 2023 Appendix 1	Board approval.
Report of Balances for Period Ending June 30, 2023 Appendix 2	Board approval.
Investment Purchases, Investment Maturities, and Investment Income for period ending June 30, 2023 Appendix 3	Provided for the Board’s information. No action is requested.
Fund Balances, Tax Levy and Outstanding Indebtedness for period ending June 30, 2023 Appendix 4	Provided for the Board’s information. No action is requested.
Safekeeping Collateral Report Appendix 5	Provided for the Board’s information. No action is requested.

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Monthly Finance Report: May 2023 Appendix 6	Provided for the Board's information. No action is requested.
Purchasing Consent Appendix 7	Board approval.
Arts Partners (Summer School)	Board member Kathy Bond pulled this item for discussion. Please see "Action on Pulled Consent Items" on Page 3 of these minutes.
Goodwill Industries (Renewal) Appendix 8	Board member Kathy Bond pulled this item for discussion. Please see "Action on Pulled Consent Items" on Page 3 of these minutes.
Verizon Innovative Learning Lab – Marshall Middle School Appendix 9	Board member Kathy Bond pulled this item for discussion. Please see "Action on Pulled Consent Items" on Page 3 of these minutes.
Verizon Innovative Learning Schools Extension MOU Appendix 10	Board member Kathy Bond pulled this item for discussion. Please see "Action on Pulled Consent Items" on Page 4 of these minutes.
BOE Meeting Minutes for June 12, 2023 Appendix 11	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 May 2023 in the amount of \$14,540.61 to Fleeson, Gooing, Coulson & Kitch, LLC and the amount of \$7,498.92 to McDonald Tinker PA.
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 February 2023 in the amount of \$9,050.50 and for February 2023 in the amount of \$30,251.30 to Fleeson, Gooing, Coulson & Kitch, LLC and the amount of \$7,280.94 for February 2023 and the amount of \$6,083.62 for February 2023 to McDonald Tinker PA.
Loan of Artwork to Kansas State University's Beach Museum of Art	Approve the loan agreement.
Certifying Special Education Teachers Appendix 12	Authorize the district to continue to pay for 2023-24 school year tuition and book expenses for up to 70 teacher/staff members to become certified in Special Education. Costs are not to exceed \$250,000 and will be funded by the Special Education budget.

<p>Action on Pulled Consent Items</p>	<p>Pulled items are presented in the order of the BOE Agenda.</p>
<p>Arts Partners (Summer School)</p>	<p>At Mrs. Bond’s request, Jon Wyss, Supply Chain Director, briefed the Board. Arts Partners has provided summer school programming for elementary students at the 17 summer school sites, for grades Kindergarten – 5th grade. Due to the distribution of enrollment, Arts Partners needed to hire additional artists to fulfill their commitment to programming. In addition, this year there was a program change from the previous year that increased costs. Students engaging in hands on activities expanded from two days to four days, which increased the number of needed supplies.</p> <p>Mrs. Bond (Ms. Hedrick) moved the Board approve an increase of payment in the amount of \$28,500 for the 2022-23 school year. The original agreed upon cost was in the sum of \$186,471.00, with the increase the total sum of services will be \$214,971.00.</p> <p>The motion passed 7-0.</p>
<p>Goodwill Industries (Renewal) Appendix 8</p>	<p>At Mrs. Bond’s request, Vince Evans, Director of Student Services, briefed the Board. In order to comply with the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act and with the state guidelines, K.S.A. 72-3403, for mandated services, USD 259 proposes to enter into a contractual agreement with Goodwill Industries of Kansas, Inc., to provide vocational educational programs for the 2023-24 school year. Goodwill Industries of Kansas, Inc., agrees to provide a program for up to six (6) full-time and/or part-time students selected by the district for a maximum contract cost not to exceed \$50,000, to be funded by Special Education. This contact runs from July 1, 2023 to June 30, 2024. Appendix 8 provides a description of this agency’s services.</p> <p>Mrs. Bond (Ms. Hedrick) moved the Board authorize the district to enter into an agreement with Goodwill Industries of Kansas, Inc., during the 2023-24 school year to provide special education services for up to six (6) full-time and/or part-time students, not to exceed a cost of \$50,000, to be funded by Special Education.</p> <p>The motion passed 7-0.</p>
<p>Verizon Innovative Learning Lab – Marshall Middle School Appendix 9</p>	<p>At Mrs. Bond’s request, Rob Dickson, Chief Information Officer, briefed the Board. The Verizon Innovative Learning Lab Grant aligns perfectly with our mission to provide students with equitable access to technology and empower them with the skills needed for success in the digital age. By establishing a dynamic and inclusive learning environment, we aim to bridge the digital divide and ensure that all students have equal opportunities to thrive and excel.</p> <p>With the support of this grant, we plan to equip our students with cutting-edge technology tools and resources, foster digital literacy, and ignite a passion for STEM fields. By offering state-of-the-art equipment and engaging learning experiences, we will inspire our students’ curiosity, enhance their critical thinking skills, and nurture their creativity. Marshall Middle School was offered the opportunity to apply for the grant through Arizona State University and met all the criteria needed for its success. The room that has been chosen for the transformation and construction is Room 113 on the 1st floor.</p> <p>Mrs. Bond (Ms. Hedrick) moved the Board approve the MOU for the Verizon Innovative Learning Lab at Marshall Middle School.</p> <p>The motion passed 7-0.</p>

<p>Verizon Innovative Learning Schools Extension MOU Appendix 10</p>	<p>At Mrs. Bond's request, Rob Dickson, Chief Information Officer, briefed the Board. The mission of Wichita Public Schools is to prepare all students to achieve college, career, and life readiness through an innovative and rigorous educational experience. With innovation in mind, we would like to continue with the Verizon Innovative Learning Schools initiative with our twelve identified Middle Schools to empower our students with the skills and opportunities necessary to thrive in the digital age. By collaborating with Verizon and participating in this innovative program, we are committed to providing our students with access to cutting-edge technology, personalized learning experiences, and enhanced digital literacy skills.</p> <p>Mrs. Bond (Ms. Hedrick) moved the Board extend the Verizon Innovative Learning Grant through years 3 & 4. (2023-24 & 2024-25 school years).</p> <p>The motion passed 7-0.</p>
<p>Operations</p>	
<p>Second Review: Board of Education Meetings Calendar Appendix 13</p>	<p>BOE Policy 0200 – Board of Education Agendas and Meetings stipulates a 12-month calendar of the Board meetings be adopted in July. In addition, K.S.A. 72-1138 requires the Board to adopt a resolution during July of each year specifying its schedule of regular meetings. The proposed 2023-24 BOE Meeting Calendar is included in the Appendix.</p> <p>This was the Board's second review of the meeting calendar.</p>
<p>Finance</p>	
<p>Budget Report</p>	<p>Susan Willis, Chief Financial Officer, briefed the Board. It was recommended that the Board approve communicating to Sedgwick County by July 20, 2023 the intent to exceed the Revenue Neutral Rate in Capital Outlay and in Other Funds for the 2024 fiscal year. A copy of the form to the County will be provided to Board members prior to submission to the county clerk.</p> <p>Ms. Logan (Ms. Krehbiel) moved the Board approve notifying Sedgwick County of the Board's intent to exceed the revenue neutral rate.</p> <p>The motion passed 7-0.</p>
<p>Adjournment</p>	<p>Ms. Albert (Ms. Krehbiel) moved the meeting adjourn.</p> <p>The motion passed 7-0.</p> <p>At approximately 12:55 p.m., the meeting adjourned.</p>