

Board of Education Special Meeting Agenda
Wichita Public Schools - USD 259
August 10, 2023 - 12:00 p.m.
Alvin E. Morris Administrative Center - Room 809
903 S. Edgemoor - 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

II. Public Communications

At special BOE meetings, public comment shall be allowed only during Public Communications on topics that pertain to agenda items. A speaker may request to speak by calling the Clerk of the Board's office at 316-973-4553 by **9 a.m.** on the day of the special meeting, or a speaker may register to speak at the location of the BOE meeting until 10 minutes before the meeting begins. The number of speakers at special BOE meetings shall be limited to ten. When registering to speak, a speaker shall identify the topic the speaker wishes to address. A speaker's comments at a meeting shall not exceed 3 minutes, shall be limited to the registered topic, and shall not include personnel matters concerning district employees and/or matters that would violate the privacy of students. Speakers shall provide 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.

III. Reports

- A. Report – Service Employees International (SEIU)
- B. Report – United Teachers of Wichita

IV. Executive Session

- A. A motion should be adopted that the Board of Education recess forthwith into Executive Session regarding:

Consultation with an attorney which would be deemed privileged in attorney-client relationship.

The open meeting will resume at approximately _____ in this room.

- B. Reconvene

V. Consent

C. Finance

1. Treasury Warrants: July 2023

Appendix 1

Contact(s): Susan Willis

Purpose: Monthly report.

Recommendation: Board approval.

D. Bids

1. Purchasing Consent

Appendix 2

Purpose: Report.

Recommendation: Board approval.

Summary

Description of products/services	Amount	Responsible Party
1. Athletic Game Video and Analysis Service - Annual	\$91,000.00	Loren Hatfield/ Chris Asmussen
2. Nutrition Services Enterprise Resource Planning Software - Additional	\$160,000.00	Fabian Armendariz
3. Transeo - Annual	\$35,309.85	Loren Hatfield

E. Programs/Grants

1. Juvenile Detention Facility and County Detention Facility Services

Appendix 3

Contact(s): Vince Evans, Ryan Alliman

Funding Source: General Funds

2023-24 Budget

Purpose: Orion, under an agreement with the Wichita Public Schools, will provide 2023-24 educational services to middle and high school students detained at the Juvenile Detention Facility and Sedgewick County Detention Facility.

Recommendation: It is recommended that the Board authorize the district to enter into an agreement with Orion to provide 2023-24 educational services for students placed at either the Sedgewick County Juvenile Detention Facility or Sedgewick County Detention Facility in an amount of \$871,350 as provided in the Appendix.

2. Kansas State School for the Blind

Appendix 4

Contact(s): Vince Evans, Hollie Dawson-Butler
Funding Source: Special Education
2023-24 Budget

Purpose: 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 the Kansas State School for the Blind (KSSB) to provide visual impairment services for the 2023-24 school year. Services will be provided in three different capacities:

- KSSB will provide up to 8 hours of service per week when school is in session to a caseload of students selected by the district.
- KSSB will provide up to 12 assessments specific to visual impairment needs for the 2023-24 school year when requested by the district.
- KSSB will provide special education services to students attending the Kansas State School for the Blind Transition Project Search program.

The maximum contract cost is not to exceed \$31,000.00, to be funded by Special Education. This contract runs from August 14, 2023 to June 30, 2024.

Recommendation: It is recommended that the Board authorize the district to enter into an agreement with the Kansas State School for the Blind during the 2023-24 school year to

- provide special education services to students at their respective USD 259 school buildings for up to eight (8) hours per week when school is in session,
- provide up to twelve (12) student assessments,
- provide special education services to students attending their Transition Project Search program,

at a total amount not to exceed a cost of \$31,000, to be funded by Special Education.

3. Rainbows United, Inc. (Renewal)

Appendix 5

Contact(s): Vince Evans, Hollie Dawson-Butler
Funding Source: Special Education
2023-24 Budget

Purpose: To comply with the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act and with the state guidelines for mandated services (K.S.A. 72-3403), USD 259 proposes to enter into a contractual agreement with Rainbows United, Inc., to serve community-based students, for the provision of special education services under an Individualized Education Program or Individualized Family Services Plan. By this contract, Rainbows United, Inc. agrees to provide community-based instruction and training for students ages 3-5, as selected by the district. The base amount for this agreement is \$180,000, and cost may increase for additional services requested by the district but will not exceed \$240,000.

Recommendation: It is recommended that the Board authorize the district to enter into an agreement with Rainbows United, Inc., during the 2023-24 school year to provide special education services for community-based children ages 3-5, selected by the district, not to exceed \$240,000 to be funded by Special Education.

F. Miscellaneous

1. BOE Meeting Minutes for July 31, 2023

Appendix 6

Contact(s): Patrick Greene

Purpose: The BOE Meeting Minutes for July 31, 2023 are attached in the Appendix.

Recommendation: Board approval.

2. Legal Services: Fleeson, Goong, 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 – Workers’ Compensation Reserve Fund
2023-24 Budget

Purpose: Fleeson, Goong, Coulson & Kitch, LLC have submitted a statement for July 2023 legal services and expenses for Civil Litigation in the amount of \$19,690.25.

McDonald Tinker PA have submitted a statement for July 2023 legal services and expenses for Workers’ Compensation in the amount of \$9,223.38.

This brings the 2023-24 fiscal year-to-date total to \$19,690.25 for Civil Litigation services and \$8,040.45 for Workers’ Compensation services.

Recommendation: It is recommended that the Board authorize payment for legal services and expenses for Civil Litigation and Workers’ Compensation under the school district’s self-insured programs for July 2023 in the amount of \$19,690.25 to Fleeson, Goong, Coulson & Kitch, LLC and the amount of \$9,223.38 to McDonald Tinker PA.

3. Positive Rhythm Productions (Renewal)

Contact(s): Gil Alvarez, Dee Dee Stroot
Funding Source: Federal Funds (ESSER)
2023-24 Budget

Purpose: Restorative Practices is an effective approach to a positive school climate, providing highly relevant philosophies and strategies for all district schools to improve positive outcomes for all students. Rob Simon will support implementation of restorative practices in our schools, departments, and non-attendance centers while building culture and a positive climate for students, staff, and families, the purpose of this request is to ask the Board’s approval in the amount of \$30,000.

Recommendation: It is recommended the Board approve an agreement with Rob Simon to provide Restorative Practices in an amount not to exceed \$30,000 beginning August 1, 2023, and ending July 31, 2024.

4. Strategic Plan Comprehensive Needs Assessment by KU Center for Evaluation and Educational Leadership for Internal and External Stakeholder Feedback [Appendix 7](#)

Contact(s): Kelly Bielefeld, Gil Alvarez
Funding Source: Non-Federal Gifts and Grants
2023-24 Budget

Purpose: The KU Center for Evaluation and Educational Leadership will conduct a Comprehensive Needs Assessment through internal and external feedback sessions to guide our next five year strategic plan. This will help us focus and address our guiding questions for the next strategic plan.

Recommendation: It is recommended that the Board approve the agreement in amount not to exceed \$78,000.

5. Settlement Agreement – J.D. v. Unified School District 259, et al.

Contact(s): Dan Lawrence
 Funding Source: 47 Fund – Risk Management
 2023-24 Budget

Purpose: The district has negotiated a settlement of liability claims brought by J.D.

Recommendation: It is recommended that the Board approve and authorize the President to pay an amount not to exceed \$250,000 plus associated mediation costs not to exceed \$3,030 to obtain a release of claims by J.D.

VI. Policy

A. Second Review: Proposed Updates of Administration Policies

Appendix 8

Contact(s): Gil Alvarez, Loren Hatfield
 Funding Source: NA

Purpose: As part of an ongoing effort to update BOE policies, Administration proposes the following policy updates.

Current Policy	Proposed	Title	Notes
1400	NA	Athletics	Updates to participation guidelines.
1425	NA	Selection of Students for Participation in Student Activities in which the Selective Process is Competitive	Updates to participation guidelines.

Recommendation: It is recommended the Board adopt the proposed changes.

B. First Review: Proposed Updates of Administration Policies

Appendix 9

Contact(s): Gil Alvarez, Loren Hatfield, Michele Ingenthron
 Funding Source: NA

Purpose: As part of an ongoing effort to update BOE policies, Administration proposes the following policy updates.

Current Policy	Proposed	Title	Notes
P1464	NA	Student Behavior – Regulations	Updates to mobile device use by students.
P1806	NA	Report to Parents on Student Progress	Revisions to reporting schedule and grading metrics.
P7350	NA	Schools Trips & Student Transportation in Private Vehicles	Revise eligibility standards for field trip attendance.

Recommendation: This item provides for the Board’s first review of the above policies.

VII. Operations

A. Kansas Association of School Boards – Delegate Assembly #1 and #2 (Annual)

Contact(s): Sheril Logan
Funding Source: Board of Education
2023-24 Budget

Purpose: The 106th Annual Kansas Association of School Boards (KASB) Convention will be held at the Hyatt Regency in Wichita on November 10-12, 2023. The KASB Delegate Assembly #1 to vote on the 2023 KASB President-Elect will be held on November 11.

Delegate Assembly #2 for approval of the 2023 KASB Legislative Recommendations will be held later in conjunction with the annual KASB Advocacy in Action Event.

In 2023-24, KASB offers two appointment options:

- 1) The Board of Education may appoint the same BOE member to serve as the Delegate for both Assembly meetings; or
- 2) The Board of Education may appoint one BOE member to serve as the Delegate for Assembly #1 and another BOE member to serve as the Delegate for Assembly #2.

Recommendation: This item provides an opportunity for the Board's discussion and appropriate action.

VIII. Finance

A. 2023-24 Budget: Authorization to Publish Notice of Hearing

[Appendix 10](#)

Contact(s): Kelly Bielefeld, Susan Willis, Addi Lowell
Funding Source: NA

Purpose: The proposed 2023-24 district budget will be shared with the Board at tonight's meeting. The 2023-24 Notice of Hearing is provided in [Appendix 10](#).

Recommendation: It is recommended the Board approve the publication of the 2023-24 Notice of Hearing that will set the annual budget hearing and hearing to exceed the revenue neutral rate for August 28, 2023.

IX. Adjournment