

Board of Education Minutes
Wichita Public Schools - USD 259
Wichita, Kansas
August 10, 2023

Roll Call	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 809, 903 S. Edgemoor, Wichita, Kansas, at approximately 12 p.m., on August 10, 2023, with President Sheril Logan presiding. Present: Diane Albert, Julie Hedrick, Ernestine Krehbiel, Sheril Logan, Stan Reeser, Hazel Stabler, and 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.
Reports	
Report – Service Employees International (SEIU)	Esau Freeman, SEIU Business Manager. <u>Topic</u> : Negotiations.
Report – United Teachers of Wichita (UTW)	Katie Warren, UTW President. <u>Topic</u> : Teacher workload.
Public Communications	None submitted.
Executive Session	
Executive Session: Attorney-client	At approximately 12:10 p.m., Ms. Albert (Mrs. Bond) moved the Board recess into an executive session for purposes of consulting with the Board’s attorney on a matter involving litigation, which is deemed privileged in the attorney-client relationship pursuant to K.S.A. 75-4319(b)(2). The motion passed 7-0. At approximately 12:26 p.m., Ms. Albert (Mr. Reeser) moved to extend the executive session by 15 minutes. The motion passed 4-0, with Mr. Reeser, Ms. Logan, Ms. Albert, and Ms. Stabler voting.
Reconvene	At approximately 12:41 p.m., Ms. Logan reconvened the meeting.
Consent: Disposal of Routine Business	Ms. Hedrick (Mr. Reeser) moved the Board of Education approve the following items of routine business. The motion passed 7-0.
Treasury Warrants: July 2023 Appendix 1	Board member Kathy Bond pulled this item for review. Please see “Action on Pulled Consent Items” on Page 3 of these minutes.
Purchasing Consent Appendix 2	Board approval.
Juvenile Detention Facility and County Detention Facility Services Appendix 3	Authorize the district to enter into an agreement with Orion to provide 2023-24 educational services for students placed at either the Sedgwick County Juvenile Detention Facility or Sedgewick County Detention Facility in an amount of \$871,350 as provided in the Appendix.

<p>Kansas State School for the Blind</p> <p>Appendix 4</p>	<p>Authorize the district to enter into an agreement with the Kansas State School for the Blind during the 2023-24 school year to</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 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, <p>at a total amount not to exceed a cost of \$31,000, to be funded by Special Education.</p>
<p>Rainbows United, Inc. (Renewal)</p> <p>Appendix 5</p>	<p>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.</p>
<p>BOE Meeting Minutes for July 31, 2023</p> <p>Appendix 6</p>	<p>Board approval.</p>
<p>Legal Services: Fleeson, Gooing, Coulson & Kitch, LLC and McDonald Tinker PA</p>	<p>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, Gooing, Coulson & Kitch, LLC and the amount of \$9,223.38 to McDonald Tinker PA.</p>
<p>Positive Rhythm Productions (Renewal)</p>	<p>Board member Kathy Bond pulled this item for discussion. Please see "Action on Pulled Consent Items" on Page 3 of these minutes.</p>
<p>Strategic Plan Comprehensive Needs Assessment by KU Center for Evaluation and Educational Leadership for Internal and External Stakeholder Feedback</p> <p>Appendix 7</p>	<p>Approve the agreement in an amount not to exceed \$78,000.</p>
<p>Settlement Agreement – J.D. v. Unified School District 259, et al.</p>	<p>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.</p>
<p>2023-24 Budget: Authorization to Publish Notice of Hearing</p> <p>Appendix 8</p>	<p>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.</p>

Action on Pulled Consent Items	Pulled items are presented in the order of the BOE Agenda.															
Treasury Warrants: July 2023 Appendix 1	<p>Susan Willis, Chief Financial Officer, briefed the Board. Ms. Willis explained the purpose of the monthly treasury warrants and provided details on an allocation to Prime Fit.</p> <p>Mrs. Bond (Ms. Krehbiel) moved the Board approve the July 2023 treasury warrants.</p> <p>The motion passed 7-0.</p>															
Positive Rhythm Productions (Renewal)	<p>Superintendent Bielefeld and Gil Alvarez, Deputy Superintendent, briefed the Board. 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.</p> <p>Mrs. Bond (Ms. Krehbiel) moved 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.</p> <p>The motion passed 7-0.</p>															
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<p>Kansas Association of School Boards – Delegate Assembly #1 and #2</p>	<p>Ms. Krehbiel (Mr. Reeser) moved the Board appoint Julie Hedrick to serve as the Delegate for Assembly #1.</p> <p>The motion passed 7-0.</p> <p>Mr. Reeser (Ms. Stabler) moved the Board appoint Ernestine Krehbiel to serve as the Delegate for Assembly #2.</p> <p>The motion passed 7-0.</p>																

Finance	
2023-24 Budget: Authorization to Publish Notice of Hearing	<p>Ms. Willis and Addi Lowell, Director of Budgeting, briefed the Board. The 5% increase in base aid per student is partially offset by enrollment decline. Enrollment for the Fiscal year 2022 enrollment is being used as the base for the fiscal year 2024 budget. This budget is built using full Supplemental General fund authority of 33% to balance the budget. The budget reflects an increase in the overall mill levy of .472 mills with an increase to LOB partially offset by a decrease to Special Liability. The district budgeted all remaining ESSER III allocation as the district works on COVID academic recovery, safety and mental health initiatives. All funds must be used by September 30, 2024.</p> <p>Mr. Reeser (Ms. Krehbiel) moved the Board establish 6 p.m. on August 28, 2023 as the public budget and revenue neutral hearing for the 2023-24 budget.</p> <p>The motion passed 7-0.</p>
Adjournment	<p>Mr. Reeser (Mrs. Bond) moved the meeting adjourn.</p> <p>The motion passed 7-0.</p> <p>At approximately 1:48 p.m., the meeting adjourned.</p>