

Board of Education Agenda
Wichita Public Schools - USD 259
November 13, 2023 - 6 p.m.
Wichita High School North Lecture Hall
1437 Rochester - Wichita KS



Wichita Public Schools will be the premier district of choice, and inspire each student and staff member to thrive and become future ready within the greater community.

I. Roll Call

- A. Moment of Silence
- B. Pledge of Allegiance – Christa McAuliffe Academy JROTC Cadets

II. Student Success

- A. Superintendent’s Student Advisory Committee (SuperSAC)
- B. Good News

- 1. Student Recognition: Israel Torres, Northeast Magnet High School

Contact(s): Carey Keller

The district recognizes Northeast Magnet senior Israel Torres. Israel is a WPS honors student who is also enrolled as a night student in WSU Tech’s Adult Aviation Maintenance Technology Program. He is also currently interning with Textron Aviation. Israel is an example of what it means to be Future Ready and #WPSPrroud.

- 2. District National Merit Semifinalists

Contact(s): Loren Hatfield

The National Merit Scholarship Program has named three Semifinalists from Wichita Public Schools. The nationwide pool of Semifinalists represents less than one percent of U.S. high school seniors. Students become National Merit Semifinalists by taking the Preliminary Scholastic Aptitude Test/National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test (PSAT/NMSQT) during their junior year and are the highest-scoring entrants in the state.

This year’s semifinalists are: John Robertson (Northwest), Ethan Wessley (East), and Shlok Prabhu (East).

- 3. Sedgwick County Indigenous Peoples’ Day Recognition

Contact(s): Hazel Stabler

The Board of Sedgwick County Commissioners recognized October 9, 2023 as Indigenous Peoples’ Day in Sedgwick County, Kansas. Board member Hazel Stabler was present to receive the proclamation.

III. **Public Hearing on Updates to P5506 – Non-Resident Enrollment and Admission**

Contact(s): Gil Alvarez
Funding Source: NA

State statute requires the Board to hold a public hearing on updates to P5506 – Non-Resident Enrollment and Admission. The purpose of the hearing is to hear and answer objections from the public relating to the proposed policy updates. The proposed updates were reviewed by the Board at their regular meetings on October 2, 2023 and October 30, 2023 and are for review online and at the Alvin E. Morris Administrative Center at 903 S. Edgemoor in Wichita. Members of the public who have registered to speak in accordance with requirements published in tonight's agenda may address the Board. Following receiving of statements by the public, the Board President will close the public hearing. The Board will have the opportunity to ask questions, if necessary, during the final policy review. Recommendation to approve the policy update will be made during this review.

Recommendation: No action will be taken during the Public Hearing.

Speakers who want to address the Board during the **Public Hearing on Updates to P5506 – Non-Resident Enrollment and Admission** 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 ten minutes before the meeting begins. A speaker's comments will be limited to the policy updates, will not include personnel matters concerning district employees and/or matters that would violate the privacy of students, and will not exceed three minutes. Speakers will provide twelve copies of any handouts to the Clerk of the Board's table for distribution at the Board table.

Speakers for Public Hearing only:

IV. **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.

V. Education

A. 2024-29 Strategic Plan Development: First Review of Student Success Outcomes

Contact(s): Kelly Bielefeld, Gil Alvarez
Funding Source: NA

Purpose: To build on the success of the 2018-23 strategic plan, as well as the goals yet achieved, Superintendent Kelly Bielefeld began his tenure as Wichita Public Schools superintendent with a charge by the BOE to create a new five-year strategic plan. Listening and learning from a 60-member community stakeholder Strategic Planning Team assembled by the superintendent, the work led to adjustments in the shared beliefs, vision and mission of the Wichita Public Schools earlier this fall. Following a series of community listening sessions conducted by the Center for Evaluation and Educational Leadership at the University of Kansas, the 60-member stakeholder team evaluated feedback and produced themes and insights to guide the creation of Student Success Outcomes. These outcomes, along with the measures of success that will be part of the December report to the board, create the foundation for a new Every Student Future Ready strategic plan that will shape the future of our school district and community.

Tonight's report introduces the board to the recommended Student Success Outcomes. Following tonight's discussion, Superintendent Bielefeld will work with the members of the core and planning teams to finalize a recommendation for December for which he will seek approval from the board. Following the anticipated approval in December, stakeholders will be engaged yet again to construct the key action elements that will bring life to the plan and propel the district and its students into the future.

Recommendation: This presentation is for the Board's information. No action is necessary.

B. Graduation Requirement Changes – Class of 2028

Contact(s): Loren Hatfield, Holly Ingram
Funding Source: NA

Purpose: The Class of 2028 will be under the new Kansas State Department of Education (KSDE) graduation requirements. This presentation will review the changes to the graduation requirements as outlined by KSDE and how Wichita Public Schools will change policy and practice to meet said requirements.

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

C. 2024 Legislative Agenda

Appendix 1

Contact(s): Gil Alvarez, Susan Willis
Funding Source: NA

Purpose: The purpose of this item is to discuss the agenda for the 2024 legislative session. The legislative agenda allows for a targeted and focused approach to educating and advocating for issues impacting our district.

Recommendation: It is recommended that the Board authorize the district to advocate for identified issues and to educate legislators regarding issues impacting the district.

VI. Executive Session

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

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

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

VII. Consent

A. Human Resources

1. Human Resources Report Appendix 2

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 2023 Appendix 3

Contact(s): Susan Willis

Purpose: Monthly report.

Recommendation: Board approval.

C. Bids

1. Purchasing Consent Appendix 4

Purpose: Report.

Recommendation: Board approval.

Summary

Description of products/services	Amount	Responsible Party
1. Replacement Mowers	\$27,150.00	Luke Newman, Sean Hudspeth
2. Food – October 2023	\$470,891.06	Fabian Armendariz
3. Supply Warehouse Stock – October 2023	\$195,906.09	Fabian Armendariz

2. Facilities Master Planning Services

Contact(s): Luke Newman
Funding Source: Capital Outlay
2023-24 Budget

Purpose: On October 2, 2023, the Board of Education approved a contract with Cooperative Strategies and Alloy Architecture for Facilities Master Planning Services in an amount not to exceed \$435,000. Since that approval, additional services in the amount of \$60,000 are required to analyze current demographic and enrollment data tied to the master planning effort.

Recommendation: It is recommended that the Board amend the contract with Cooperative Strategies and Alloy Architecture for Facilities Master Planning Services, to include the additional scope and fee, resulting in a revised total contract amount not to exceed \$495,000.

3. Interactive Flat Panel Installation Phase Three: Wall and Ceiling Repair (Various Sites)

Contact(s): Luke Newman, Rob Dickson
Funding Source: IST and Supplemental General Funds
2023-24 Budget

Purpose: Supplemental General and Capital funds include monies for wall and ceiling repair resulting from upgrades of existing technology to interactive flat panels at various sites. The recently completed Phase Three scope of the interactive flat panel project included installation in six hundred and three (603) classrooms across nine (9) sites. Removal of existing technology has warranted wall repairs, white board installation, ceiling tile replacement, and associated electrical removal. The contractors selected are Cherokee Construction, Icon Structures Inc, City Wide Facility Solutions, Seaton Construction, McCownGordon Construction and Hutton Corporation.

Recommendation: It is recommended that the Board enter agreements with Cherokee Construction, Icon Structures Inc, City Wide Facility Solutions, Seaton Construction, McCownGordon Construction and Hutton Corporation equating to a total cumulative amount not to exceed \$600,000, for the Interactive Flat Panel Installation, Phase Three - Wall and Ceiling Repair at various sites.

4. Node Room HVAC Replacement – School Service Center

Contact(s): Luke Newman
Funding Source: Capital Outlay
2023-24 Budget

Purpose: The Capital Outlay Budget includes monies for Node Room HVAC Replacement at the School Service Center. The scope of this project includes replacement of the HVAC system in the node room, featuring data center rated equipment, and includes reconfiguration of fire sprinkler system to a dry pipe system. The recommended bid was submitted by The Waldinger Corporation.

Recommendation: It is recommended that the Board enter into a contract with The Waldinger Corporation for the Node Room HVAC Replacement at the School Service Center, in an amount not to exceed \$211,000, which includes the base bid, selected alternates, and project contingency.

5. Nutrition Services Expansion – Construction Manager at Risk – GMP #1B

Contact(s): Luke Newman, Fabián Armendáriz
Funding Source: Nutrition Services
2023-24 Budget

Purpose: The 2022-23 Capital Outlay Budget includes monies for construction projects at various district sites. On March 8, 2023, the Board approved entering into a contract with Hutton Corporation to provide Construction Manager at Risk services for the Nutrition Services Expansion Project. On May 22, 2023, the Board of Education approved GMP #1A in the amount of \$1,000,000 for the procurement of long lead time items. At that time, it was noted that the scope of work and pricing would be established in multiple phases as design documents become available to package and bid. As such, the second Guaranteed Maximum Price (GMP) award has been established.

Recommendation: It is recommended that the Board amend the contract with Hutton Corporation to include Guaranteed Maximum Price (GMP) #1B in the amount of \$4,662,322. This will bring the cumulative total for GMP #1B, and previously approved GMP #1A, to \$5,662,322.

6. Purchase of Property from CBBB, LLC

Contact(s): Luke Newman
Funding Source: Capital Outlay
2023-24 Budget

Purpose: CBBB, LLC and Wichita Public Schools, USD 259, have entered into a Real Estate Purchase agreement in the amount of \$349,000 for 35,829 square feet or .823 acres to expand parking, playground areas and possible future expansion at Hamilton Middle School.

Recommendation: It is recommended that the Board approve the Real Estate Purchase Agreement with CBBB, LLC for \$349,000. BOE General Council has approved the Real Estate Purchase Agreement.

7. Security Improvement Projects: Construction Manager at Risk – GMP #2 (Various Sites)

Contact(s): Luke Newman
Funding Source: Capital Outlay, Safety and Security Grant
2023-24 Budget

Purpose: The 2022-23 Capital Outlay Budget includes monies for construction projects at various district sites. On January 23, 2023, the Board approved entering into a contract with Hutton Corporation to provide Construction Manager at Risk services for the Security Improvements Projects at various district sites. On March 6, 2023, the Board of Education approved GMP #1 in the amount of \$2,500,000. At that time, it was noted that the scope of work and pricing would be established in multiple phases as design documents become available to package and bid. As such, the second Guaranteed Maximum Price (GMP) award has been established to add controlled access entrances at Heights High School and White Elementary School.

Recommendation: It is recommended that the Board amend the contract with Hutton Corporation to include Guaranteed Maximum Price (GMP) #2 in the amount of \$487,964. This will bring the cumulative total for GMP #2, and previously approved GMP #1, to \$2,987,964.

8. Structural Repairs: Construction Manager at Risk Delivery Method (North High, Northwest High)

Contact(s): Luke Newman
Funding Source: Capital Outlay
2023-24 Budget

Purpose: On July 31, 2023, the Board of Education approved Resolution "Structural Repairs - Construction Manager at Risk Delivery Method - North and Northwest High Schools ". A Request for Qualifications (RFQ) was issued to interested general contractors, and four (4) firms were shortlisted to interview and provide proposals. Final scores were determined based on a combined weighting of interview, proposal, and fee scores, and Hutton Corporation was selected.

Recommendation: It is recommended that the Board enter into a contract with Hutton Corporation, contingent upon an agreeable contract, to provide Construction Manager at Risk services on the Structural Repairs at North and Northwest High Schools project. Final construction scope and costs will be established in future GMP (Guaranteed Maximum Price) packages for approval by the Board of Education.

9. Structural Repairs: Design Professional (North High, Northwest High)

Contact(s): Luke Newman
Funding Source: Capital Outlay
2023-24 Budget

Purpose: On July 31, 2023, the Board entered into an agreement with Schaefer Architecture for professional design services for structural repairs at North and Northwest High Schools. After receiving full preliminary evaluations of the structural and mechanical elements, additional funds are necessary to address unforeseen design considerations.

Recommendation: It is recommended that the Board approve an additional amount of \$80,000 with Schaefer Architecture, for professional design services, on the repairs at North and Northwest High Schools. This would bring the total not to exceed amount to \$520,000.

10. Window and Roof Replacement (Various Sites)

Contact(s): Luke Newman
Funding Source: Capital Outlay
2023-24 Budget

Purpose: The Capital Outlay Budget includes monies for Window and Roof Replacements at various sites. The scope of this project includes window and roof replacements at Caldwell Elementary School, Levy Special Education Center, Cleaveland Elementary School, East High School and West High School. The recommended bid was submitted by Icon Structures, Inc.

Recommendation: It is recommended that the Board enter into a contract with Icon Structures, Inc., for Window and Roof Replacement at Various Sites, in an amount not to exceed \$5,595,000, which includes the base bid, selected alternates, and project contingency.

11. Audit Services

Appendix 5

Contact(s): Susan Willis, Addi Lowell, Nancy Iverson
Funding Source: Supplemental General Fund
2023-24 and 2024-25 Budget

Purpose: The purpose of this item is to extend the contract with Allen, Gibbs and Houlik, L.C. (AGH) for four additional years.

The multi-year contract for auditing services with Allen, Gibbs & Houlik is expiring upon completion of the FY23 audit engagement. As the Financial Services division navigates a post-ESSER financial environment, this extension action allows the division to retain continuity of fiscal auditing while working through post-ESSER budgetary challenges and on-going federal reporting and auditing requirements for the next several years.

AGH will submit itemized billing to the district for professional audit services in the estimated total of \$147,765 for FY24, which is the same pricing as the FY23 audit. Additional auditing services for grants in excess of two major programs are estimated to be \$5800 per major program. Fiscal years 2025 through 2027 will reflect an annual increase of 4%. Total audit fees will be \$153,675 for the FY25 audit, \$159,815 for the FY26 audit, and \$166,214 for the FY27 audit. Special services not related to this contract but applicable to projects or services required by the district will be billed at hourly rates identified in the contractual agreement.

Recommendation: It is recommended that the Board approve a contract with Allen, Gibbs & Houlik, L.C., to provide auditing services to the district for a total not to exceed \$185,000 per year through the completion of the FY27 audit.

D. Programs/Grants

1. The Opportunity Project (TOP) Agreement

Appendix 6

Contact(s): Gil Alvarez, Shannon Benoit
Funding Source: At-risk Grant
2023-24 and 2024-25 Budget

Purpose: The Opportunity Project (TOP) provides a structured environment for pre-kindergarten children at two locations. The purpose of this agenda item is to request approval of a new agreement and partnership between The Opportunity Project (TOP) and USD 259 as summarized below and in the copy of the agreement provided.

Recommendation: It is recommended that the Board approve an agreement and partnership between The Opportunity Project (TOP) and USD 259 for a two-year total not exceed \$407,040 in FY24 and \$440,000 in FY25.

E. Miscellaneous

1. BOE Meeting Minutes for October 30, 2023

Appendix 7

Contact(s): Patrick Greene

Purpose: The BOE Meeting Minutes for October 30, 2023 are attached in the Appendix.

Recommendation: Board approval.

2. Legal Services: Triplett Woolf & Garretson, LLC

Contact(s): Dan Lawrence, Susan Willis
Funding Source: 42 Fund – Special Liability
2023-24 Budget

Purpose: Triplett Woolf & Garretson, LLC have submitted a statement for legal services and expenses related to their representation of the District before the Kansas Corporation Commission in connection with Evergy’s request to increase electrical rates for Wichita Public Schools from September 1, 2023 through October 11, 2023 in the amount of \$32,144.

Recommendation: It is recommended that the Board authorize payment for legal services and expenses in connection with the 2023 Evergy rate case in the amount of \$32,144 to Triplett Woolf & Garretson, LLC.

3. Settlement Agreement – Claims of R.F. against Unified School District No. 259, et al.

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

Purpose: The district has negotiated a settlement of disputed liability claims brought by R.F.

Recommendation: It is recommended that the Board approve and authorize the President to pay an amount not to exceed \$200,000 to settle these claims.

4. Proposed Policy Revisions

Appendix 8

Purpose: As permitted by BOE Policy 0100 – Organization and Functions of the Board, (AIP 3a): Proposed minor revisions to policies may include, but not be limited to, revisions involving policy number, position titles, district office names, and system alignment items. In addition, minor revisions may include combining similar content among policies, deleting obsolete policies, and moving policy content to procedural handbooks if appropriate. This consent item may also include revisions to existing policy as a result of federal, state, or local law or regulation.

Recommendation: Board approval.

Summary

Policy	Title	Person Responsible
4026.2	Certified Attendance Standards	Sean Hudspeth, Victoria Manning, Boni Burkhart
6333	Graduation Rule and Diplomas	Loren Hatfield
7350	School Trips and Student Transportation	Loren Hatfield & Michele Ingenthron

5. Water Damage Repairs – Truesdell Middle School

Contact(s): Sean Hudspeth, Danielle Dettmer, Luke Newman
Funding Source: 47 Fund – Self-funded Insurance Reserve
2023-24 Budget

Purpose: On April 10, 2023, the Board approved insurance reserves in the amount of \$55,795 to be paid to Reconstruction Services, LLC for water damage repairs. Unknown personal property damage claims and the need for internal carpet material purchases increased the funds needed to \$60,763. This is a net increase of \$4,968.

Recommendation: It is recommended the Board approve \$4,968 for additional expenses, bringing the total damage reserve of \$60,762.80 to cover all expenses of this project.

VIII. **Operations** – None submitted.

IX. **Finance** – None submitted.

X. **Policy**

A. Final Review: Proposed Update to Learning Services Policy

Appendix 9

Contact(s): Gil Alvarez, Rob Dickson
Funding Source: NA

Purpose: As part of an ongoing effort to review BOE policies, Administration proposes the following policy update for Learning Services:

Current Policy	Proposed	Title	Notes
P5506	NA	Non-Resident Enrollment and Admission	Update policy to meet state statute (K.S.A. 72-3123) which allows nonresident students to attend schools in USD 259 if there are open seats.

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

B. Second Review: Proposed Update to Financial Services Policy

Appendix 10

Contact(s): Susan Willis
Funding Source: NA

Purpose: As part of an ongoing effort to review BOE policies, Administration proposes the following policy update for Financial Services:

Current Policy	Proposed	Title	Notes
3308	NA	Accepting Credit/Debit Card and Internet Payments	Update to conform to state statute and existing practices

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

C. First Review: Proposed Updates to Board of Education Policies

Appendix 11

Contact(s): Sean Hudspeth
 Funding Source: NA

Purpose: As part of an ongoing effort to review BOE policies, Administration proposes the following update(s) of Board policies.

Current Policy	Proposed	Title	Notes
P0700	NA	Expenses – Board of Education Members	Adress Board remuneration in response to state law.
P3714	NA	Voluntary Early Retirement Program	Comply with industry and current practices.

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

XI. Reports

- A. United Teachers of Wichita
- B. Service Employees International
- C. Superintendent’s Report
- D. Board of Education

XII. Miscellaneous

- A. New Business
- B. Board of Education Requests
- C. Executive Session

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

- 1. Personnel matters for non-elected personnel.

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

- D. Reconvene
- E. Executive Session

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

- 1. Matters relating to actions adversely or favorably affecting a person as a student.

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

- F. Reconvene

- 1. Appeal Hearing: Case #3

Purpose: On Monday, November 6, 2023, at 12:00 p.m., an appeal hearing was held regarding a 9th grade student from Southeast High School.

Recommendation: A recommendation will be presented at the Board table.

G. Executive Session

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

1. Matters relating to actions adversely or favorably affecting a person as a student.

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

H. Reconvene

1. Appeal Hearing: Case #4

Purpose: On Wednesday, November 8, 2023, at 12:00 p.m., an appeal hearing was held regarding a 10th grade student from Northeast Magnet High School.

Recommendation: A recommendation will be presented at the Board table.

I. Adjournment