

**Board of Education Agenda**  
**Wichita Public Schools - USD 259**  
**February 12, 2024 - 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 – East High School JROTC Cadets

**II. Student Success**

- A. Superintendent's Student Advisory Committee (SuperSAC)

Reporters: Cohen Richardson and Lydia Daniel, East High School

- B. Good News

- 1. CTE Outstanding Senior Awards

Contact(s): Timothy Hamblin

The Office of College and Career Readiness recognizes district seniors nominated and selected as Outstanding Seniors in various CTE pathways.

- 2. 2024 Scholastic Art Awards

Contact(s): Shawn Chastain

The Scholastic Art and Writing Awards is the oldest and most prestigious recognition program for creative teenagers in the United States. Each work is reviewed by a panel of arts professionals for originality, technical skill, and an emergence of professional vision and voice. The Alliance also partners with art institutes, colleges, and universities to earmark scholarships for college-bound Scholastic Awards recipients. This year, works from WPS High Schools and Middle Schools were selected for the Eastern Kansas Scholastic Art Awards. Winning categories include American Vision, Gold Key, Silver Key and Honorable Mention. This exhibition is on display at Mark Arts, 1307 N. Rock Road, until March 23rd, 2024.

### III. Public Communications

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1. Sarah Graves, 12838 E. Cherry Creek Ct., Wichita, KS 67230.  
Topic: AVID at Christa McAuliffe Academy
2. Jerry Hicks, 13517 E. Buckskin St., Wichita, KS 67230. Topic: AVID program.

### IV. Finance

#### A. Budget Report

Contact(s): Susan Willis  
Funding String: NA

Purpose: At the January 22 Board of Education meeting, the Board received an update on the process to develop the 2024-25 Budget. As part of that discussion, the BOE requested administration bring back a recommendation to close between four and seven schools effective Fall 2024. Tonight's presentation reviews key budget development factors and present a school closure recommendation to the Board.

Recommendation: This item provides an opportunity for the Board's information and discussion. The Board will be asked to approve publication of a Notice of Public Hearing to be held on February 29, 2024 in advance of a vote on the recommendation by the Board of Education on March 4, 2024.

### 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.

2. 2024-25 and 2025-26 District Calendars Appendix 2

Contact(s): Sean Hudspeth  
Funding Source: NA

Purpose: The proposed 2024-25 and 2025-26 District Calendar is being submitted for review and approval.

Recommendation: It is recommended that the Board adopt the proposed 2024-25 District Calendar with August 14, 2024, as the first day of school, and May 22, 2025, as the last day of school, and 2025-26 District Calendar with August 14, 2025, as the first day of school, and May 21, 2026, as the last day of school.

B. Finance

1. Financial Resolutions for the 2023-24 Fiscal Year – Updated for New President Appendix 3

Contact(s) Susan Willis  
Funding Source: NA

Purpose: Annual authorization for financial reports and transactions, updated for new Board president Stan Reeser.

Recommendation: Board approval.

2. Treasury Warrants: January 2024 Appendix 4

Contact(s): Susan Willis

Purpose: Monthly report.

Recommendation: Board approval.

C. Bids

1. Purchasing Consent Appendix 5

Purpose: Report.

Recommendation: Board approval.

Summary

Description of products/services	Amount	Responsible Party
1. Vinyl Tile Flooring	\$200,000.00	Luke Newman
2. Food Safety Health Inspection License Renewal	\$32,475.00	Fabian Armendariz
3. Support & Maintenance for Peoplesoft 3-year agreement	\$1,812,324.00	Rob Dickson

2. Structural Repairs – Construction Manager at Risk: North High and Northwest High – GMP #1

Contact(s): Luke Newman

Funding Source: Capital Outlay, Safety & Security Grant  
2023-24 Budget

Purpose: The 2023-24 Capital Outlay Budget includes monies for construction projects at North and Northwest High Schools. On July 31, 2023, the Board of Education approved Resolution “Structural Repairs - Construction Manager at Risk Delivery Method - North and Northwest High Schools.” On November 13, 2023, the Board of Education approved entering into a contract with Hutton Corporation to provide Construction Manager at Risk services for the structural repairs project at North and Northwest High Schools. At that time, it was noted that the scope of work and pricing would be established in multiple phases as design documents became available to package and bid. At this time, the GMP #1 for design assistance from select trade partners has been developed. Due to the speed and complexity of the project, it is necessary for Hutton Corporation to involve subcontractors with Light Detection and Ranging (LiDAR) scanning, Building Information Modeling (BIM), and prefabrication services to assist with design of the project to ensure its timely completion by the start of school Fall 2024.

Recommendation: It is recommended that the Board amend the contract with Hutton Corporation to include Guaranteed Maximum Price (GMP) #1 in the amount of \$97,840.

3. Drainage Improvements - Alvin E. Morris Administrative Center Courtyard

Contact(s): Luke Newman, Susan Willis

Funding Source: Capital Outlay, 47 Fund – Self-Funding Insurance Reserve  
2023-24 Budget

Purpose: On January 22, 2024, at the Alvin A. Morris Administrative Center (AMAC) building, drainage inefficiencies in the south courtyard led to water intrusion into the 400 and 500 halls of the building. To prevent further water intrusion and associated damage, drainage improvements are necessary.

Recommendation: It is recommended that the BOE approve a total amount not to exceed \$40,000 to Utility Maintenance Contractors, LLC, for the necessary repairs as detailed above, which includes estimates to date of \$34,300 and an additional recommended contingency of \$5,700.

4. Drainage Improvements – Heights High School

Contact(s): Luke Newman

Funding Source: Capital Outlay  
2023-24 Budget

Purpose: The Capital Outlay Budget includes monies for storm drainage improvements at Heights High School. The scope of this project includes improvements to grading and collection systems to allow for storm water routing to the retention pond. The recommended bid was submitted by Pearson Construction, LLC.

Recommendation: It is recommended that the Board enter into a contract with Pearson Construction, LLC, for Drainage Improvement at Heights High School in an amount not to exceed \$139,022.

5. Drainage Improvements and Concrete Repairs – Southeast High School

Contact(s): Luke Newman, Susan Willis

Funding Source: Capital Outlay, 47 Fund – Self-Funded Insurance Reserve  
2023-24 Budget

Purpose: On January 25, 2024, third party consultants investigating soil settling at Southeast High School identified the need to lift and stabilize perimeter sidewalks to address soil erosion and settling that led to water intrusion into the building and the tunnel accessing the athletic field.

Recommendation: It is recommended that the BOE approve a total amount not to exceed \$96,500 to Isham Waterproofing (IWP), LLC, for the necessary repairs as detailed above, which includes estimates to date of \$89,740 and an additional recommended contingency of \$6,760.

6. Exterior Door Replacement – Various

Contact(s): Luke Newman

Funding Source: Capital Outlay  
2023-24 Budget

Purpose: The Capital Outlay budget includes monies for exterior door replacement (due to deterioration and water infiltration) at four locations throughout the district. Select doors will be replaced at Heights High School, Adams Elementary School, Curtis Middle School, and Enterprise Elementary School. The recommended bid was submitted by Key Construction, Inc.

Recommendation: It is recommended that the Board enter into a contract with Key Construction, Inc., for exterior door replacement, in an amount not to exceed \$148,640.

7. Exterior Restoration – North High School: Phase Five

Contact(s): Luke Newman

Funding Source: Capital Outlay  
2023-24 Budget

Purpose: The Capital Outlay budget includes monies for Phase Five of Exterior Restoration at North High School. The project scope involves exterior masonry renovation of the north wall of the 1928 buildings, including parapet reconstruction and tuckpointing. The recommended bid was submitted by Martin K. Eby Construction Company, Inc.

Recommendation: It is recommended that the Board enter into a contract with Martin K. Eby Construction Company, Inc., for Exterior Restoration - North High School: Phase Five in an amount not to exceed \$647,240.

8. Flooring Replacement – Various

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

Purpose: The Capital Outlay budget includes monies for flooring replacement of carpet and/or tile at Price Harris Elementary School, Spaght Elementary School, and Caldwell Elementary School. The recommended bid was submitted by Star Lumber & Supply Co., Inc.

Recommendation: It is recommended that the Board enter into a contract with Star Lumber & Supply Co., Inc., for flooring replacement, in an amount not to exceed \$137,260.

D. Miscellaneous

1. BOE Meeting Minutes for January 22, 2024

Appendix 6

Contact(s): Patrick Greene

Purpose: The BOE Meeting Minutes for January 22, 2024 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 – Worker’s Compensation Reserve Fund  
2023-24 Budget

Purpose: Fleeson, Goong, Coulson & Kitch, LLC have submitted a statement for December 2023 legal services and expenses for Civil Litigation in the amount of \$9,792.00.

McDonald Tinker PA have submitted a statement for December 2023 legal services and expenses for Worker’s Compensation in the amount of \$11,889.22.

This brings the 2023-24 fiscal year-to-date total to \$68,189.37 for Civil Litigation services and \$67,192.43 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 December 2023 in the amount of \$9,792.00 to Fleeson, Goong, Coulson & Kitch, LLC and the amount of \$11,889.22 to McDonald Tinker PA.

3. Proposed Policy Revisions

Appendix 7

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
4026.1	Attendance Standards for Classified Employees Not Covered by a Negotiated Agreement	Sean Hudspeth

4. Class of 2024 Graduation Ceremonies

Contact(s): Loren Hatfield

Funding Source: General Fund

Purpose: Students may graduate high school and be issued a credit-based diploma when the principal determines that the student has met the requirements for graduation established by the Board of Education. A high school principal administers the issuance of high school diplomas to students meeting graduation requirements.

Recommendation: It is recommended that the Board approve payments to Koch Arena and Century II for the Class of 2024 Graduations not to exceed \$45,000.

5. Authorization to Disburse Wichita Foundation Funds – Education EDGE

Appendix 8

Contact(s): Kelly Bielefeld, Susan Willis, Dee Dee Stroot

Funding Source: Wichita Foundation – Education Edge Gift Funds  
2023-24 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 funding request details are provided in the Executive Summary.

Recommendation: It is recommended that the Board authorize the transfer of funds from the Wichita Foundation in the following amounts: Athletics: \$10,000 Fine Arts: \$30,000; and Classroom Mini-Grants: \$204,302 for a total requested amount of \$244,302.

6. Workers' Compensation Settlement: D.C.

Contact(s): Sean Hudspeth, Danielle Dettmer

Funding Source: 52 Fund  
2023-24 Budget

Purpose: D.C. sustained a lower left arm injury during their employment with USD 259 on December 12, 2022. A settlement order has been issued for \$25,000. as the award for this litigated case. This will close out all future medical on this case. This does not include a global release.

Recommendation: It is recommended that the Board approve this agreed upon award for D.C.'s 2022 work injury in the total amount of \$25,000.

7. Workers' Compensation Settlement: L.S.

Contact(s): Sean Hudspeth, Danielle Dettmer  
Funding Source: 52 Fund  
2023-24 Budget

Purpose: L.S. sustained a lower back, and left knee/ankle injury during their employment with USD 259 on September 21, 2017. A settlement order has been issued for \$27,500 as the award for this litigated case. This will close out all future medical on this case. This does not include a global release.

Recommendation: It is recommended that the Board approve this agreed upon award for L.S.'s 2017 work injury in the total amount of \$27,500.

**VI. Policy**

A. Second Review: Proposed Updates to Drone Policy

Appendix 9

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

Purpose: The proposed changes to P7090 are to clarify on and incorporate the regulations in which higher education, FAA-chartered programs, and JROTC may operate under.

Current Policy	Proposed	Title	Notes
P7090	NA	Small Unmanned Aircraft Systems (sUAS)	Incorporate and clarify on Title 49, Part 44809 into the policy for JROTC application.

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

**VII. Reports**

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

**VIII. Miscellaneous**

- A. New Business
- B. Board of Education Requests
- C. Adjournment