

**Board of Education Agenda**  
**Wichita Public Schools - USD 259**  
**January 22, 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 – Wells Middle School JROTC Cadets

**II. Ceremonial Oath of Office**

- A. Ceremonial Oath of Office for BOE members Ngoc Vuong, Melody McCray-Miller, and Stan Reeser. Sedgwick County Election Commissioner Laura Rainwater will administer the Oath of Office.

**III. Student Success**

- A. Good News
  - 1. Jobs for America’s Graduates-Kansas “6 of 6” Award

Contact(s): Christy Pray, Charee Moore

Jobs for America’s Graduates (JAG) recognizes Southeast, North, and West High Schools with the prestigious “6 of 6” Award. This is presented to JAG programs reaching and exceeding high benchmarks after a twelve-month follow-up in categories including graduation, post-graduation employment, military service, and post-secondary education. Both JAG National and JAG Kansas are proud to recognize these WPS schools for their achievement.

**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.

- 1. Connie Dietz, 8310 Greenbrier, Wichita, KS 67226. Topic: Welcome to new BOE members.

**V. Education**

- A. Department of Equity, Diversity, and Accountability: Overview of Future Ready Advocates and Mentorship

Contact(s): Dr. William Polite, Keith Reynolds  
Funding Source: NA

Purpose: The purpose of this presentation is to inform the Board on the mission, purpose, and initiatives within the district's department of Diversity, Equity, and Accountability.

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

- B. McKinney-Vento Families in Transition

Contact(s): Gil Alvarez, Dee Dee Stroot, Denise Fuoco  
Funding Source: NA

Purpose: Tonight's presentation is an overview of Wichita Public Schools' McKinney-Vento: Families in Transition program.

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

**VI. 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.

- B. Finance

- 1. Treasury Warrants: December 2023

Appendix 2

Contact(s): Susan Willis

Purpose: Monthly report.

Recommendation: Board approval.

- 2. Monthly Finance Report: November 2023

Appendix 3

Contact(s): Susan Willis

Funding Source: NA

Purpose: This is a monthly report to the Board on the budget and finances of the district.

Recommendation: The report is provided for the Board's information. No action is requested.

3. Monthly Finance Report: December 2023

Appendix 4

Contact(s): Susan Willis  
Funding Source: NA

Purpose: This is a monthly report to the Board on the budget and finances of the district.

Recommendation: The report is provided for the Board’s information. No action is requested.

C. Bids

1. Purchasing Consent

Appendix 5

Purpose: Report.

Recommendation: Board approval.

Summary

Description of products/services	Amount	Responsible Party
1. Automatic Heat Sealer	\$191,782.44	Fabian Armendariz
2. Custodial Equipment	\$85,444.00	Luke Newman
3. WebCRD Support and Maintenance	\$25,789.97	Fabian Armendariz
4. Food – November 2023	\$249,681.46	Fabian Armendariz
5. Food – December 2023	\$3,323,154.62	Fabian Armendariz
6. Fuel – October, November & December 2023	\$842,335.33	Fabian Armendariz
7. Supply – November 2023	\$219,621.81	Fabian Armendariz
8. Supply – December 2023	\$88,159.96	Fabian Armendariz

2. Athletic Floor Refinishing – Various

Appendix 6

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

Purpose: The Capital Outlay Budget includes monies for annual resurfacing and refinishing of athletic floors at twenty-eight (28) locations throughout the district. Creative Floors Coating & Design was selected to perform this service.

Recommendation: It is recommended that the Board enter into a contract with Creative Floors Coating & Design for athletic floor resurfacing and refinishing, in an amount not to exceed \$300,000.

3. East High Grove Campus – Tunnels B and C

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

Purpose: On November 6, 2023, at East High School on the Grove Campus in the tunnel between Buildings B and C, a steam leak led to a gas line failure in the tunnel. The area could not be safely accessed through the tunnel due to deterioration of the structural integrity of the tunnel’s roof. Repair required removal of the parking lot over the tunnel, as well as removal of the roof of the tunnel, to safely access the gas line.

Recommendation: It is recommended that the BOE approve a total amount not to exceed of \$91,390 to Reconstruction Services, LLC for the necessary repairs as detailed above, which includes estimates to date of \$81,390 and an additional recommended contingency of \$10,000.

4. Lightwells Additional Roof Replacement – East High

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

Purpose: On February 13, 2023, the Board of Education approved an amount not to exceed \$658,858.58 for Lightwells Roof Replacement – East High School. At the time of approval, it was noted that additional evaluation and investigation was necessary, but time was of the essence in order to prevent further damage to the building. The imminent hazard has been addressed, but during completion of the work, one of the four lightwell roofs was determined by the structural engineer to have horizontal cracking of the structural concrete roof system. Repair will require using a combination of epoxy injection and carbon fiber structural reinforcement from the underside of the roof concrete slab. This work necessitates the removal and replacement of the architectural ceilings below the roof structure.

Recommendation: It is recommended that the BOE approve a total revised amount not to exceed of \$1,008,858.58 to Reconstruction Services, LLC for the necessary roof replacement and repairs as detailed above. This amount includes \$658,858.58 originally approved on February 18, 2023, as well as \$350,000 to address necessary concrete roof structural repairs referenced above.

5. Music Suite and Node Room – East High

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

Purpose: On July 5, 2023, masonry wall movement was discovered and evaluated by a structural engineer in the Music Suite and Node Room at East High School. The evaluation revealed the need for the wall in the music suite to be more adequately braced to better support the concrete roof structure. At the node room, the evaluation determined that openings in the foundation wall should be filled with a structural material to adequately support the size of load applied from the wall/floor above, and damaged floor structure should be repaired.

Recommendation: It is recommended that the BOE approve a total amount not to exceed of \$68,846.01 to Reconstruction Services, LLC for the necessary repairs as detailed above, which includes estimates to date of \$63,846.01 and an additional recommended contingency of \$5,000.

6. Nutrition Services Expansion – Construction Manager At-Risk – GMP #2 Appendix 7

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

Purpose: The 2023-24 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. The Board of Education has approved Guaranteed Maximum Price (GMP) awards #1a and #1b in the cumulative amount of \$5,662,332. This third Guaranteed Maximum Price (GMP) award has been established to replace the large overhead doors on the receiving dock in the amount of \$807,000.

Recommendation: It is recommended that the Board amend the contract with Hutton Corporation to include Guaranteed Maximum Price (GMP) #2 in the amount of \$807,000. This will bring the cumulative total for GMP #1A, 1B, and 2 to \$6,469,322.

7. Security Improvement Projects – Construction Manager At-Risk – GMP #4 Appendix 8

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

Purpose: The 2023-24 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. The Board of Education has approved Guaranteed Maximum Price (GMP) awards #1 through #3 in the cumulative amount of \$4,320,660. The fourth Guaranteed Maximum Price (GMP) award has been established to pre-order hardware necessary to replace, correct, and adjust classroom security at various sites.

Recommendation: It is recommended that the Board amend the contract with Hutton Corporation to include Guaranteed Maximum Price (GMP) #4 in the amount of \$227,000. This will bring the cumulative total for GMP #4, and previously approved GMP awards #1 through #3, to \$4,547,660.

8. Storm Shelter Upgrades – Various

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

Purpose: The Capital Outlay Budget includes monies for Storm Shelter upgrades at various sites. The scope of this project includes storm shelter door and hardware replacements and upgrades for improved safety and functionality at Buckner Elementary School, Gordon Parks Academy, Hyde Elementary School, and Jackson Elementary 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 Storm Shelter Correction at Buckner Elementary School, Gordon Parks Academy, Hyde Elementary School, and Jackson Elementary School in an amount not to exceed \$221,520.

9. Sale of Property to Tom George Investments, LLC

Contact(s): Luke Newman  
Funding Source: NA

Purpose: Tom George Investments, LLC, and Wichita Public Schools, USD 259, have entered into a Real Estate Purchase agreement in the amount of \$350,000 for property at 6123 East 11<sup>th</sup> Street North, formerly known as Price Elementary.

Recommendation: It is recommended that the BOE approve the Real Estate Purchase Agreement with Tom George Investments, LLC, for \$350,000. BOE General Council has approved the Real Estate Purchase Agreement.

D. Programs/Grants

E. Miscellaneous

1. Amendment to Terms of Engagement with Outside Counsel

Contact(s): Dan Lawrence

Funding Source: 47 Fund – Risk Management Reserve Fund

2023-24 Budget

Purpose: The district's primary outside counsel is the Fleeson, Goosing, Coulson, & Kitch LLC law firm. Since 2019, the district has paid Fleeson lawyers \$160.00 per hour for legal services, and \$80.00 per hour for tasks performed by legal assistants. Fleeson has requested that these rates be increased to \$190.00 per hour for senior/partner-level attorneys; \$175.00 per hour for junior/associate-level lawyers; and \$90.00 per hour for the work of legal assistants. The requested rate increase would become effective in February of 2024.

Recommendation: It is recommended that the Board approve an amendment to the terms of engagement with Fleeson, Goosing, Coulson, & Kitch LLC consistent with the foregoing.

2. Legal Services: Fleeson, Goosing, 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, Goosing, Coulson & Kitch, LLC have submitted a statement for November 2023 legal services and expenses for Civil Litigation in the amount of \$15,492.00.

McDonald Tinker PA have submitted a statement for November 2023 legal services and expenses for Workers' Compensation in the amount of \$10,384.30.

This brings the 2023-24 fiscal year-to-date total to \$58,397.37 for Civil Litigation services and \$55,303.21 for Workers' 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 November 2023 in the amount of \$15,492.00 to Fleeson, Goosing, Coulson & Kitch, LLC and the amount of \$10,384.30 to McDonald Tinker PA.

3. BOE Meeting Minutes for December 11, 2023

Appendix 9

Contact(s): Patrick Greene

Purpose: The BOE Meeting Minutes for December 11, 2023 are attached in the Appendix.

Recommendation: Board approval.

4. BOE Meeting Minutes for January 5, 2024

Appendix 10

Contact(s): Patrick Greene

Purpose: The BOE Meeting Minutes for January 5, 2024 are attached in the Appendix.

Recommendation: Board approval.

5. BOE Meeting Minutes for January 6, 2024 Appendix 11  
Contact(s): Patrick Greene  
Purpose: The BOE Meeting Minutes for January 6, 2024 are attached in the Appendix.  
Recommendation: Board approval.
6. Nonviolent Crisis Intervention (NCI) – Team Control Appendix 12  
Contact(s): Vince Evans, Melissa Zieammermann  
Funding Source: NA  
Purpose: In order to comply with BOE Policy 5116, annual training on Emergency Safety Interventions is provided to all district staff members. On July 31<sup>st</sup>, 2023, the Board approved select staff members to attend professional development through the Crisis Prevention Institute (CPI) and become certified as NCI (Nonviolent Crisis Intervention) trainers. CPI used an updated curriculum for this training that no longer included a particular hold (Team Control) which has historically been used by our staff. Rather than requiring us to pay for additional training to learn the Team Control method, CPI has granted us the free option to learn/teach this hold through their video library.  
Recommendation: It is recommended that the Board authorize the district to sign the permissions letter with Crisis Prevention Institute (CPI) so our new trainers can have access to the video training for the Team Control hold at no additional cost to the district and teach it to others.
7. Lightning Damage – North High School  
Contact(s): Sean Hudspeth, Danielle Dettmer, Luke Newman, Randy Scott, Douglas Mumma  
Funding Source: 47 Fund – Self Funded Insurance Reserve  
2023-24 Budget  
Purpose: On October 25, 2023, North High School’s tower was struck by lightning and the clay tile roof was damaged.  
Recommendation: It is recommended the Board approve \$20,288.03 in insurance reserves to cover all expenses associated with repairing the clay tile roof.
8. Water Damage – Seltzer Elementary  
Contact(s): Sean Hudspeth, Danielle Dettmer, Luke Newman, Randy Scott, Douglas Mumma  
Funding Source: 47 Fund – Self Funded Insurance Reserve  
2023-24 Budget  
Purpose: On October 30, 2023, it was reported that a water faucet/fountain in the main office hallway failed and allowed water to leak in the hall, main office, and entry way. An appraiser was hired and determined the damages would require \$38,060.54 in funds to repair. Additional expenses and contingency funds bring the requested reserves to \$42,363.56.  
Recommendation: It is recommended the Board approve \$42,363.56 in insurance reserves to cover all expenses associated with repairing the water damage.

9. Water Damage – Truesdell Middle School

Appendix 13

Contact(s): Sean Hudspeth, Danielle Dettmer, Luke Newman, Randy Scott, Douglas Mumma

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

Purpose: At some point during Winter Break a water fountain failed and leaked water. The leak was discovered on January 2, 2024, and damaged various materials in the hallway as well as in several classrooms. An appraiser was hired and valued the required repairs at \$51,722.56. Additional contingency funds of \$8,277.44 are required to cover investigations into product failure.

Recommendation: It is recommended the Board approve \$60,000 in reserves I expenses associated with repairing the water damage.

10. Workers' Compensation Settlement: A.A.

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

Purpose: A.A. sustained a concussion during their employment with the district on February 26<sup>th</sup>, 2019. A settlement order has been issued for \$50,000 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 A.A.'s 2019 work injury in the total amount of \$50,000.

**VII. Operations**

A. Election of Officers (Board of Education)

In accordance with BOE Policy 0100 – Organization of the Board: “At the Board’s first meeting on or after the second Monday in January of each year, the Board shall elect a president and vice president from its members, each of whom shall serve for one year or until his/her successor is elected.” The election of officers shall be by open ballot. Board policy stipulates that each member may vote for any member of the Board and successive ballots shall be taken for each office until one member receives four votes. The newly elected president and vice-president shall assume their duties at the conclusion of the meeting at which they are elected.

Election of President  
Election of Vice-President

**VIII. Finance**

A. Budget Report

Contact(s): Susan Willis  
Funding Source: NA

Purpose: Administration will update the Board on the budget.

Recommendation: This item provides an opportunity for the Board’s information and discussion.



**IX. Policy**

A. Second Review: Proposed Updates of BOE Policies

Appendix 14

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

Purpose: As part of an ongoing effort to review BOE policies, Administration proposes the following updates of Secondary Office, Learning Services, and Student Support Services policies.

<b>Current Policy</b>	<b>Proposed</b>	<b>Title</b>	<b>Notes</b>
P6326	NA	Course Credit - Secondary	Update to align with P6333 – Graduation Rule and Diplomas
P6327	NA	Issuing Credit for Travel and/or Field Experiences	Update to align with P6333 – Graduation Rule and Diplomas
P6334	NA	Graduation Requirements for Students with Disabilities	Update to align with P6333 – Graduation Rule and Diplomas
P6725	NA	Mathematics Education	Update to align with P6333 – Graduation Rule and Diplomas
P6791	NA	Physical Education	Update to align with P6333 – Graduation Rule and Diplomas
P6800	NA	Reading	Update to align with P6333 – Graduation Rule and Diplomas

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

B. First Review: Proposed Updates to Drone Policy

Appendix 15

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.

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

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

**X. Reports**

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

**XI. Miscellaneous**

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