

Board of Education Minutes
Wichita Public Schools · USD 259
Wichita, Kansas
August 7, 2024

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 813, 903 S. Edgemoor, Wichita, Kansas, at approximately 12:00 p.m., on August 7, 2024 with President Stan Reeser presiding. Present: Diane Albert, Julie Hedrick, Ngoc Vuong, Melody McCray-Miller, Stan Reeser, and Kathy Bond. Absent: Hazel Stabler.
Public Communications	None submitted.
Education	
Creative Minds Vertical Classroom	Rob Dickson, Chief Information Officer, and Michele Ingenthron, Assistant Superintendent for Elementary Schools, briefed the Board. Creative Minds Vertical School is a modern K-6 educational approach designed to enhance student engagement, family involvement, and hands-on, exploratory learning. This initiative transforms learning into a personalized, creative journey where families help shape the curriculum, and students showcase their knowledge through diverse projects. Grouped in grade bands (K-1, 2-3, 4-6), students earn achievement badges and present quarterly projects on themes such as biodiversity and community. The program aims to increase engagement, creativity, and personalized learning, aligning with our mission to empower students with 21st-century skills. This presentation was for the Board's information. Mr. Dickson and Ms. Ingenthron showed the Board a video tour of a planned vertical school classroom to be used by district students in Union Station in downtown Wichita. Mr. Dickson and Ms. Ingenthron also invited Board members following the meeting to tour a vertical school classroom to be used at Curtis Middle School.
Consent: Disposal of Routine Business	Mr. Reeser (Ms. Albert) moved the Board of Education approve the following items of routine business. The motion passed 6-0, with Ms. Stabler absent.
Treasury Warrants: July 2024 Appendix 1	Board approval.
Purchasing Consent Appendix 2	Board approval.
Parking Lot Replacement – Kelly Elementary	Approve an amount of \$68,797.50 be added to Encore Pavement, LLC's contract for the additional work associated with the unforeseen subsurface condition.
Mental Health Intervention Team (Renewal) Appendix 3	Approve the contract for mental health services between Sedgwick County and the district, as provided in Appendix 3.

Juvenile Detention Facility and County Detention Facility Services Appendix 4	Authorize the district to enter into an agreement with Orion to provide 2024-25 education services for students placed at the Sedgwick County Juvenile Detention Facility and Sedgwick County Detention Facility in an amount of \$871,350 as provided in Appendix 4.
BOE Meeting Minutes for July 29, 2024 Appendix 5	Board approval.
Workers' Compensation Settlement: K.L.	Approve this agreed upon award for K.L.'s 2023 work injury in the total amount of \$45,000.
Finance	Susan Willis, Chief Financial Officer, briefed the Board regarding publication of the proposed 2024-25 notice of revenue neutral rate hearing. Ms. Willis also shared a possible bond election timeline with Board members. At approximately 12:55 p.m., Ms. Hedrick left the Board table. At approximately 1:00 p.m., Ms. Hedrick returned to the Board table. At approximately 1:42 p.m., Mrs. Bond left the Board table. At approximately 1:44 p.m., Mrs. Bond returned to the Board table. Mr. Reeser (Mr. Vuong) moved the Board establish 6 p.m. on August 26, 2024, at the Wichita High School North Lecture Hall, 1437 N. Rochester, as the public revenue neutral hearing for the 2024-25 budget. The motion passed 6-0, with Ms. Stabler absent.
Adjournment	Ms. Albert (Ms. McCray-Miller) moved the meeting adjourn. The motion passed 6-0, with Ms. Stabler absent. At approximately 1:44 p.m., the meeting adjourned.