

**Board of Education Agenda**  
**Wichita Public Schools · USD 259**  
**December 2, 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 – North High School AFJROTC

**II. Reports**

A. Good News

WPS middle school students selected for Kansas Music Educators Association (KMEA) All-State Choir and students from all three levels who were selected for the Kansas Music Educators Association (KMEA) All-State Choir.

Contact(s): Shawn Chastain

Summary: Wichita Public Schools would like to celebrate the 170 students who were selected for the South Central Kansas Music Educators Association (SCKMEA) honor bands, choirs, and orchestras, and KBA Honor Band for the first semester of the 2024-25 school year.

- B. United Teachers of Wichita
- C. Service Employees International Union

**III. 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.

- A. Patricia Hileman, 139 S. Fountain, Wichita, KS 67218. Topic: Bond

**IV. Education**

**A. Strategic Plan Goal 3 – Create and Enhance Safety and Belonging**

Contact(s): Michele Ingenthron

Funding Source: N/A

Purpose: As part of our Future Ready Strategic Plan, we will present regular progress monitoring reports. This report will review the Strategic Plan Goal #3: Create and enhance safety and belonging.

**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 website. 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: November 2024**

Appendix 2

Contact(s): Addi Lowell

Purpose: Monthly report.

Recommendation: Board approval.

**2. Monthly Finance Report: October 2024**

Appendix 3

Contact(s): Addi Lowell

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 4

Purpose: Report.

Recommendation: Board approval.

Summary

Description of Products/Services	Amount	Responsible Party
1. Box Trucks with Lift Gate	\$255,680.00	Fabian Armendariz
2. HVAC Controls, Programming and Analytics – Correction	\$630,000.00	Luke Newman
3. Dial In Frequency Capabilities	\$25,020.18	Terri Moses/Seth Rowell
4. Credit Card Terminals	\$100,000.00	Addi Lowell
5. WebCRD Support & Maintenance – Annual	\$28,239.83	Fabian Armendariz
6. Movie Licensing Services – Annual	\$25,880.09	Rob Dickson
7. Public Sector Treasury Software	\$25,000.00	Rob Dickson
8. Support & Maintenance for Oracle Software -	\$157,768.90	Rob Dickson

Correction		
9. Food – October 2024	\$348,298.17	Fabian Armendariz
10. Supply Stock Orders - October 2024	\$208,449.54	Fabian Armendariz

D. Programs/Grants

1. Friends University Tuition for Early College Academy Students

Contact(s): Loren Hatfield

Funding Source: General Funds

2024-25 Budget

Purpose: Early College Academy (ECA) is a program intentionally designed to promote access and opportunity for more students to obtain a college degree. In partnership with Friends University, ECA will allow students to take more classes for college credit earlier in high school. When students in the program graduate from Northwest, they will have had the opportunity to earn up to 57 college credits.

Recommendation: It is recommended that the Board approve payments to Friends University not to exceed \$140,000

E. Miscellaneous

1. BOE Meeting Minutes for November 4, 2024

Appendix 5

Contact(s): Litona Hoyt

Purpose: The BOE Meeting Minutes for November 4, 2024 are attached in the Appendix.

Recommendation: Board approval.

2. BOE Meeting Minutes for November 18, 2024 Board Workshop

Appendix 6

Contact(s): Litona Hoyt

Purpose: The BOE Meeting Minutes for November 18, 2024 Board Workshop are attached in the Appendix.

Recommendation: Board approval.

3. Northeast Magnet Trip to Branson, MO

Contact(s): Loren Hatfield, Branden Johnson

Funding Source: Student Funded

Purpose: On 4/11/2025 to 4/13/2025, Northeast Magnet Band and Orchestra will participate in a performance at Cooper Theatre in Branson, MO. Approximately 100 students, two teachers, and four parent chaperones will also participate. The trip also includes two music shows.

Recommendation: It is recommended that the Board approve for Northeast Magnet Band and Orchestra to attend the performance at Cooper Theatre, in Branson, MO in an amount not to exceed \$45,000. No vendor has been contracted for trip services.

4. Damages at Former Field Building

Contact(s): Sean Hudspeth, Danielle Dettmer, Luke Newman, Shane Schumacher

Funding Source: 47 Fund – Self Funded Insurance Reserve

2024-25 Budget

Purpose: On June 27, 2024, the Board entered into a Real Estate Purchase agreement with River Knox Holdings, LLC, to sell the former Field Elementary School building located at 3006 W. St. Louis St. Vandalism occurred to the building prior to closing,

resulting in a loss and decrease in property value. In lieu of modifying the closing date or purchase agreement, all parties agreed to a payment of \$87,841.50 from the district to River Knox Holdings resolving any outstanding matters.

Recommendation: It is recommended the Board approve an amount not to exceed \$87,841.50 to be paid to River Knox Holdings, LLC.

5. Design Services – Hamilton Middle School Site Improvements

Contact(s): Luke Newman

Funding Source: Capital Outlay

2024-25 Budget

Purpose: Design services are required for site improvements to Hamilton Middle School. These improvements include the removal of Boston Avenue between Broadway and Market Street to expand the recreation area for students, the extension of parking, and the addition of a sidewalk along the southern boundary of our property.

Recommendation: It is recommended that the Board enter into a contract with Professional Engineering Consultants for civil engineering and design services for site improvements to Hamilton Middle School in an amount not to exceed \$36,000.

6. Pre-Bond Program: Site Surveys

Contact(s): Luke Newman

Funding Source: Capital Outlay

2024-25 Budget

Purpose: In the event of a successful bond election on February 25, 2025, the District will need critical trade partnerships established in advance in order to accommodate design and construction timelines and have the first group of projects complete and ready for occupancy by fall semester of 2027. An essential first step is to conduct site surveys for the following projects: Rebuild of Black Elementary, Rebuild of McLean Elementary, Construction of new Coleman Middle, Construction of new Future Ready Center, Expansion of Wells Alternative Middle (to house Sowers Alternative High), and Expansion of Cessna Elementary (convert to K-8).

This procurement is required now in order to have the information ready for designers to utilize immediately should the bond pass on February 25, 2025.

Recommendation: It is recommended that the Board enter into a contract with Kaw Valley Engineering for site survey services on the following projects: Construction of new Coleman Middle, Expansion of Wells Alternative Middle (to house Sowers Alternative High), and Expansion of Cessna Elementary (convert to K-8), in the amount not to exceed \$64,100.

It is further recommended that the Board enter into a contract with Baughman Company for site survey services on the following projects: Rebuild of Black Elementary, Rebuild of McLean Elementary, and Construction of new Future Ready Center, in the amount not to exceed \$58,700.

7. Pre-Bond Program: Construction Manager At-Risk Delivery Method

Contact(s): Luke Newman

Funding Source: Capital Outlay Budget

2024-25 Budget

Purpose: In the event of a successful bond election on February 25, 2025, the District will need critical trade partnerships established in advance in order to accommodate design

and construction timelines and have the first group of projects complete and ready for occupancy by fall semester of 2027. The bond oversight committee has approved the Construction Manager At-Risk delivery method for the following projects: Rebuild of Black Elementary, Rebuild of McLean Elementary, Construction of new Coleman Middle, Construction of new Future Ready Center, Expansion of Wells Alternative Middle (to house Sowers Alternative High), and Expansion of Cessna Elementary (convert to K-8). The District is making no financial commitments to contractors at this time. Final award will be contingent upon a successful bond election.

K.S.A. 72-1152, et al., Kansas Unified School District Alternative Project Delivery Building Construction Procurement Act, enables school districts to retain a Construction Manager At-Risk on school construction projects. The Construction Manager At-Risk alternative project delivery method offers some clear advantages on projects of this scope and size, as disclosed in the following state statute requirements for consideration:

Saves time and money by enabling construction to start sooner, more effectively stagger work/scope, better plan for lead times and material pricing fluctuations.

Design and construction phases can be overlapped in order to expedite less design-intensive scope, while completing and procuring larger scale scope.

Provides more accurate cost checks throughout the design phase, resulting in more budget certainty and program cost projections.

Teams are interviewed and selected based on their qualifications, capabilities, fit, and fee (rather than just lowest price). This approach generally results in more successful and higher quality projects.

Encourages fair competition amongst contractors and provides more bid transparency, while reducing project risk.

A public hearing is required before a school board may proceed with the Construction Manager At-Risk delivery method. The District scheduled a legal notice for publication in The Derby Informer on November 27, 2024. This agenda item provides an opportunity for public comment prior to the Board taking any action.

Recommendation: It is recommended that the Board authorize approval to proceed with the Construction Manager At-Risk delivery method and selection process for the following projects: Rebuild of Black Elementary, Rebuild of McLean Elementary, Construction of new Coleman Middle, Construction of New Future Ready Center, Expansion of Wells Alternative Middle (to house Sowers Alternative High), and Expansion of Cessna Elementary (convert to K-8).

8. Legal Services: Fleeson, Goings, 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

2024-25 Budget

Purpose: Fleeson, Goings, Coulson & Kitch, LLC have submitted a statement for October 2024 legal services and expenses for Civil Litigation in the amount of \$12,270.69.

McDonald Tinker PA have submitted a statement for October 2024 legal services and expenses for Workers’ Compensation in the amount of \$18,729.07.

This brings the 2024-25 fiscal year-to-date total to \$24,545.69 for Civil Litigation services and \$71,498.91 for Workers’ Compensation services.

Recommendation: It is recommended that the Board authorize payment for legal services and expenses for Civil Litigation and Workers’ Compensation under the school district’s self-insured programs for October 2024 in the amount of \$12,270.69 to Fleeson, Goings,

Coulson & Kitch, LLC and the amount of \$18,729.07 to McDonald Tinker PA.

**VI. Operations**

A. Presentation – Pre-Bond Program – Creative Entourage, LLC

Contact(s): Luke Newman

Funding Source: N/A

2024-25 Budget

Purpose: The purpose of this presentation is to provide the results of the public opinion survey conducted around the Facility Master Plan and Bond, and to inform the Board of the next steps in planning and approach.

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

**VII. Finance – None submitted.**

**VIII. Policy**

A. First Review: P0200 – Board of Education Agendas and Meetings

[Appendix 7](#)

Contact(s): Daniel Lawrence

Funding Source: NA

Purpose: Revisions to this policy BOE meetings and agendas, to improve organization, conform policy to existing practice, and improve clarity.

<b>Current Policy</b>	<b>Proposed</b>	<b>Title</b>	<b>Notes</b>
0200	0200	Board of Education Agendas and Meetings	Revisions to policy P0200, concerning BOE meetings and agendas, to improve organization, conform policy to existing practice, and improve clarity.

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

**IX. Miscellaneous**

- A. Superintendent’s Report
- B. New Business and Board of Education Requests
- C. Executive Session – None requested to date.

**X. Adjournment**