

UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 467
WICHITA COUNTY
LEOTI, KANSAS

Meeting Time and Place

1. The Board of Education of Unified School District #467, Wichita County, Kansas met in regular session at 7:00 p.m., Monday, February 8, 2021 at the Board of Education office.

People Present

2. Members present were: Jason Koehn, Brian Gerstberger, Jim Myers, Tammy Simons, Brandon Whalen, Ann Wiles, and Josh Young.

Also present were: Superintendent, Lori Maxwell; Clerk, Tammy Mason; WCES Principal, Brant Douglas; WCJSHS Principal, Delbert Schmidt; and Guests: Julie Conard, Stephanie Thelen-West, Tara Biermann, Sara Brown, Maggie Brown, Laney Crouch, Jesse Gardner, Sophie Gerstberger, Tristen Porter, Xavier Hernandez, and Alan Chavez.

Approved Consent Agenda

3. Jim Myers called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. After the Pledge of Allegiance, Jason Koehn motioned and Ann Wiles seconded to approve the consent agenda, consisting of:
 - A. Approval of the agenda for the meeting.
 - B. Minutes for January 11, 2021, and January 25, 2021.
 - C. Payment of the bills and payroll.
 - D. Approve the disposition of mainboards from dismantled PCs, power supplies, and PC cases as presented by Kasper Lechtenberg.
 - E. Approve contracts for Spring coaches as presented:
 1. High School Track: Janee Porter-Head Coach; Shad Mehl-Asst.; Allen Baker-Asst.
 2. High School Golf: Nate Brown
 3. Junior High Track: Wesley Cooper-Head Coach; Judith Lemus-Asst.; Layton Tankersley-Asst.
 - F. Gifts and Grants:
 1. Accept a donation from Western State Bank for \$800 for Reality U.
 2. Accept a donation from Wichita County Outdoorsman, LLC for \$500 for Reality U.

3. Accept a donation from Wichita County Economic Development, Inc. For \$700 for Reality U.

Motion passed 7-0.

Student Presentations

4. Stephanie Thelen-West and the following students presented their clay manikin projects: Laney Crouch, Jesse Gardner, Sophie Gerstberger, Tristen Porter, Xavier Hernandez, and Alan Chavez. The students discussed the different muscles and parts of the body and how they incorporated the use of clay with the skeletal manikins in their Anatomy and Physiology class.
5. Maggie Brown, Student Body President, asked the Boards' permission to allow out of town dates to prom. Out of town prom dates have always been allowed but they were unsure with the Covid restrictions if it would be allowed this year.
6. The Board thanked all of the students for their presentations. Mrs. Thelen-West and students left the meeting at 7:13 p.m.

Resolution No. 2021-09

7. Resolution No. 2021-09 is a resolution of intent to enter into a lease-purchase agreement with a bank for the proposed building projects and estimated costs not to exceed \$1,459,300. The resolution will be published in the Wichita County Native Sun February 17th and February 24th. Bids will be sent to the local banks within the school district. Josh Young motioned and Brandon Whalen seconded to approve Resolution No. 2021-09. Motion passed 7-0.

Building Projects/Expenses

8. Andy Fahrmeier, Hutton, requested a notice to proceed with the cafeteria floor during spring break. To proceed with the floor repair, it will cost \$35,035, which is part of the proposed total amount. A Board consensus approved of the cost.
9. The district received a bill from GMCN for architect fees in the amount of \$30,519, which is part of the proposed total amount. A Board consensus approved of the cost.

Five Year Capital Outlay
Updated Plan

10. Superintendent Maxwell presented an updated five year capital outlay plan. The projected revenue and expenses from the capital outlay fund over the next five years were presented. The plan included the regular expenses for the district but also included a lease for upcoming buildings' projects. Also, a rotation of district needs such as curriculum, technology, school vehicles, school buses, cafeteria tables, round tables for the Jr./Sr. high school, industrial lawn mower, exterior doors for the Jr./Sr. high school, track resurfacing, and dome roofs maintenance. The plan also included what expenses could potentially be paid for with ESSER Funds for Covid relief.

Inclement Weather

11. Superintendent Maxwell presented examples of inclement weather policies from surrounding districts. The district currently does not have a written inclement weather policy in regards to school activities and practices. Discussion was held. The Board asked Ms. Maxwell to draft a policy that gives the Superintendent the authority to allow or cancel activities and practices during a school closure.

WCES Principal's Report

12. WCES Principal, Brant Douglas, updated the Board on the elementary school.

- A. There are no positive covid cases in the building.
- B. Jacob Rempel, 6th grade, won the Spelling Bee.
- C. The 3rd thru 6th grades held a Reading Bowl.
- D. This week is Kindness week.
- E. The Book Fair is February 16, 17, and 18.

WCJSHS Principal's Report

13. WCJSHS Principal, Mr. Schmidt, updated the Board on the Jr./Sr. High school.

- A. Clara Koehn, 8th grade, was runner up for the Spelling Bee.
- B. Regional Scholars' Bowl was February 4th.
- C. Reality U was February 2nd for 8th Graders and Sophomores.
- D. JH girls' A & B teams placed 1st at League Basketball.
- E. KELPA testing is February 23rd for the Jr. High and February 26th for the High School.

- F. 7 wrestlers placed at Districts in Cimarron on February 6th, and will wrestle at Regionals in Wakeeney on February 12th.

The Board discussed allowing out of town dates to prom. A Board consensus approved of the request.

Superintendent's Report

- 14. Superintendent Maxwell updated the Board on the district.
 - A. Money received from taxes in January equalled \$1,332,340.82. The district will receive approximately another \$50,000 to \$60,000 in March from taxes.
 - B. Proposed fence boundaries were presented to the Board from Grow and Learn. The Board approved.
 - C. ESSER Funds for Covid relief-round 1-\$56,420 allocated, \$18,858 has been spent, \$37,562 remaining to spend by 09/30/2022.
 - D. ESSER funds for Covid relief-round 2-\$246,846 available March 1 to be spent by 09/30/2023. A proposal for how the money will be spent must be submitted to KSDE for approval before any money is disbursed. Ms. Maxwell presented some proposed uses of the money as follows:
 - a. summer school
 - b. fast bridge screener
 - c. I-Ready
 - d. lunchroom tables
 - e. round tables for the Jr./Sr. high school
 - f. social/emotional curriculum
 - g. windows for the Jr./Sr. high school

Executive Session for Personnel

- 15. Brian Gerstberger motioned and Tammy Simons seconded to enter into executive session to discuss matters adversely or favorably affecting non-elected personnel exception under KOMA. The matters affecting the non-elected certified and classified staff members is their performance and employment. The Board will return to open session at 8:10 p.m. Motion passed 7-0.
- 16. The Board returned to open session at 8:10 p.m., no action was taken. The Board took a five minute break.

17. Jason Koehn motioned and Ann Wiles seconded to enter into executive session with Ms. Maxwell present to discuss matters adversely or favorably affecting non-elected personnel exception under KOMA. The matters affecting the non-elected certified and classified staff members is their performance and employment. The Board will return to open session at 8:35 p.m.
18. The Board returned to open session at 8:35 p.m. Josh Young motioned and Ann Wiles seconded to approve the Superintendent's contract for Ms. Maxwell through the 2022-2023 school years, with salary to be determined at a later date. Motion passed 7-0.
19. Brandon Whalen motioned and Brian Gerstberger seconded to enter into executive session with Ms. Maxwell present to discuss matters adversely or favorably affecting non-elected personnel exception under KOMA. The matters affecting the non-elected certified and classified staff members is their performance and employment. The Board will return to open session at 9:07 p.m. Motion passed 7-0. Julie Conard left the meeting at 8:53 p.m.
20. The Board returned to open session at 9:07 p.m. Brian Gerstberger motioned and Tammy Simons seconded to approve the WCES Principal contract for Mr. Douglas through the 2021-2022 school year with salary to be determined at a later date. Motion passed 7-0.
21. Brandon Whalen motioned and Brian Gerstberger seconded to approve the WCJSHS Principal's contract for Mr. Schmidt through the 2021-2022 school year with salary to be determined at a later date. Motioned passed 6-1, with Jim Myers voting against.
22. Tammy Simons motioned and Ann Wiles seconded to enter executive session with Ms. Maxwell, Mr. Schmidt, and Mr. Douglas present to discuss matters adversely or favorably affecting non-elected certified and classified staff pursuant to non-elected personnel exception under KOMA. The matters

affecting the non-elected certified and classified staff members is their performance and employment. The Board will return to open session at 9:40 p.m. Motion passed 7-0. Josh Young exited the executive session at 9:28 p.m. Josh Young returned to the executive session at 9:33 p.m.

Executive Session for a Student Matter

23. The meeting returned to open session at 9:40 p.m. Brandon Whalen motioned and Brian Gerstberger seconded to hire Phillip Weilert for the Jr./Sr. History teaching position for the 2021-2022 school year. Motion passed 7-0.

24. Ann Wiles motioned and Brian Gerstberger seconded to enter into executive session with Ms. Maxwell, Mr. Schmidt, and Mr. Douglas present to discuss actions adversely or favorably affecting a student(s) exception under KOMA. The matters affecting the student(s) is confidential. The Board will return to open session at 9:57 p.m.

25. The meeting returned to open session at 9:57 p.m. No action was taken.

Executive Session for Negotiations

26. Jason Koehn motioned and Josh Young seconded to enter executive session with Ms. Maxwell, Mr. Schmidt, and Mr. Douglas present to discuss negotiations pursuant to the exception for employer-employee negotiations under KOMA. The Board will return to open session at 10:03 p.m. Motion passed 7-0.

27. The meeting returned to open session at 10:03 p.m., no action was taken.

Adjournment

28. Jim Myers officially adjourned the meeting at 10:03 p.m.

Jim Myers, President

Tammy Mason, Board Clerk