

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, September 11, 2023 at the Board of Education office in Leoti, Kansas.

People Present

2. Members present were: Julee Beedy, Brian Gerstberger, Jason Koehn, Jim Myers, Ann Wiles, and Josh Young.

Also present were: Superintendent, Lori Maxwell; Clerk, Tammy Mason; WCJSHS Principal, Brant Douglas; and Guests: Sara Brown and Misty Gardner.

Approved Consent Agenda

3. Jim Myers called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Julee Beedy motioned and Ann Wiles seconded to approve the consent agenda, with additions of donations (P) \$1,140 and (Q) \$480, consisting of:
 - A. Agenda for the meeting.
 - B. Minutes for the August 14, and 21, 2023 meetings.
 - C. Payments of bills and payroll.
 - D. Approve the 2023-24 Site Council List.
 - E. Approve the 2023-24 JSHS Fundraisers.
 - F. Approve disposition items from Mr. Wentz's room and volleyball.
 - G. Personnel Actions:
 1. Approve the hiring of Gabriela Gonzalez as a part-time custodian.
 - H. Accept a donation of \$267.30 from the Western Kansas Community Foundation for stem rockets for science.
 - I. Accept a donation of \$750 from the Western Kansas Community Foundation for the Nutrition and Wellness class.
 - J. Accept a donation of \$695 from Bjurstrom Ag, Inc. for CDL classroom materials.
 - K. Accept a donation of \$100 from Wichita County Outdoorsmen for football wristbands.
 - L. Accept a donation of \$200 from Helena for a one-time set-up fee for Next Gen Trucking.

- M. Accept a donation of \$5,175 from TRIBE to athletics for banners.
- N. Accept a donation of \$1,000 from Western State Bank for WCES student and staff t-shirts.
- O. Accept a donation of \$5,100 from Security State Bank for gym floor refinishing.
- P. Accept a donation of \$1,140 from Security State Bank for WCES students and staff t-shirts.
- Q. Accept an anonymous donation of \$480 for WCHS football practice jerseys.

Motion passed 6-0.

Kindergarten Presentation

- 4. Kindergarten teacher, Misty Gardner, presented a slide show of the ABC Careers and community field trip for the kindergarten class. Mrs. Gardner expressed her gratitude for the various local men and women that presented throughout the year and the businesses that allowed their classes to tour at the end of the year.

Five-Year Capital Outlay Plan

- 5. Superintendent Maxwell presented the updated five year capital outlay plan. The Board discussed the current and upcoming needs for the buildings and district. Some of the current needs include replacing the doors and windows on the south side of the grade school gymnasium as well as a new sidewalk that will align with the new crosswalk after the road construction has been completed. Additionally, new buses will need to be purchased as some current buses are about to reach the age limit for student transportation. The Board approved purchasing a new projector screen for the WCJSHS auditorium as well as purchasing or repairing the stage curtains. As the Board continues to address and update the buildings and district needs, the five year capital outlay plan will change accordingly.

WCES Sidewalk and South Window and Entry Doors

- 6. Superintendent Maxwell asked the Board's approval to proceed with bidding the sidewalk on the south side of the grade school gymnasium, as well as, window and door replacement as the amount will exceed her budget spending authority. Josh Young motioned and Brian Gerstberger seconded to approve bidding the sidewalk, windows and doors

replacement on the south side of the grade school gymnasium. Motion passed 6-0.

Super Saver Rate Bids

7. Per the Board's request, The Kansas Municipal Investment Pool was contacted to gain information on potentially moving district funds to the investment pool to take advantage of the interest rates currently being provided. Funds must first be offered to all eligible banks, savings and loans, and federally chartered savings banks which have home offices or branches in the investing community. Discussion was held. The Board advised Ms. Maxwell to seek bids on \$250,000 Certificates of Deposit locally with the expectation that they will meet the KMIP interest rates.

JBCC-Nonresident Students

8. Superintendent Maxwell represented the KASB recommended policy JBCC for enrollment of nonresident students. The policy if adopted would potentially allow the district to set a limit on the number of nonresident students. Discussion was held. The policy will be further evaluated after the administration, with staff input, determine the best recommendation.

Grow & Learn Childcare Center

9. Discussion was held on the MOU and lease contract with Grow & Learn Childcare Center.

WCJSHS Principal's Report

10. WCJSHS Principal, Brant Douglas, presented the following updates:
 - A. Approximately 121 students in 9th-12th grades and 52 students in 7th-8th grades.
 - B. Thirteen students were inducted into the National Honor Society.
 - C. Fastbridge and iReady screeners are taking place.
 - D. Staff will be participating in learning the Ruben employability training.
 - E. Holden Whalen was selected as one of two youth in agriculture to serve as an Ag Ambassador for the American Movement and Farm Aid. Holden will attend the Farm Aid Festival in Indiana part of next week. Mrs. Means, Ag Instructor, is requesting permission to travel to Indiana to accompany

Holden. They will meet up with another ag instructor and student in Indiana.

- F. The Board advised Mr. Douglas to inquire as to which student's parent would accompany Holden and Mrs. Means to Denver prior to flying to Indiana and joining the other instructor and student. Brian Gerstberger motioned and Josh Young seconded to approve out of state travel for Mrs. Means to accompany a student. Motion passed 6-0.

WCES Principal's Report

11. WCES Principal, Lori Maxwell, presented the following updates:

- A. Fastbridge testing has begun.
- B. School pictures were today at the grade school.
- C. Hearing and vision screenings are currently taking place.
- D. The first early release Wednesday was last week and it seemed to run smoothly.
- E. The fourth grade attended the Native Tribes of the High Plains History Exposition and Outdoor Education day at Fort Wallace on September 8th.

Superintendent's Report

12. Superintendent Maxwell presented the following district updates:

- A. The company that paints the track has been in contact and will complete the project in September or October.
- B. The north lane on Highway 96 will open at the end of next week. Construction on the south lane will start the week of September 25th. The plan for now is to keep the same process for traffic flow by keeping the south end of the parking lot closed to traffic so as not to congest the highway. The process will be evaluated often to keep it in the best interest of the students' safety.
- C. The curriculum counsel will meet on Wednesday and plan to meet a total of five times in the next year to discuss curriculum. Administration and some certified staff from the district are on the committee. Superintendent Maxwell asked if a Board

member would be interested in serving on the committee as well. Jimmy Myers agreed to serve through December of this year.

Executive Session for
Personnel

13. Julee Beedy motioned and Brian Gerstberger seconded to enter into executive session with Ms. Maxwell and Mr. Douglas 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 in the board room at 8:44 p.m. Motion passed 6-0. Misty Gardner left the meeting.

14. The meeting returned to open session at 8:44 p.m., no action was taken.

Adjournment

15. Jim Myers officially adjourned the meeting at 8:45 p.m.

Jim Myers, President

Tammy Mason, Board Clerk