

USD 353 Wellington
Board of Education Meeting
November 12, 2018 at 7:00 p.m.

1. Meeting Opening
 - 1.1 Call to Order: Jackie Berryman, President
 - 1.2 Pledge of Allegiance
 - 1.3 Roll Call: Wendy Goodrum, Deputy Clerk of the Board
 - 1.4 Review and Approval of Agenda

Angie Ratcliff motioned, seconded by Carol Hadorn to approve the agenda as presented.

Motion carried 7/0.

2. Recognition of Patrons and Staff

3. Public Comments

Kevin Dodds – Expressed concern regarding the Summit program.

Charles Garver – Expressed concern regarding the Summit program.

4. DISCUSSION ITEMS

- 4.1 Lincoln School Presentation

This year we are highlighting a district school at each board meeting. Last month Dr. Doud presented for WMS and this month, Mrs. Sweetwood will present for Lincoln Elementary. Mrs. Sweetwood has worked tirelessly to improve the culture of Lincoln and she has especially focused on ensuring students receive research-based instruction. Small group instruction has become prevalent in most classes at Lincoln, and using data to meet the needs of each student is also a focus. Mrs. Sweetwood will make connections between the district MTSS program and Visible learning as implemented at Lincoln.

- 4.2 Visible Learning Update

Visible Learning is the district's tier one professional development program. The district has invested significant resources into tier two and tier three intervention dating back to 2016, and last year, teachers began working with Visible Learning to shore up tier one or core instruction. Mr. Peine will update the board on the Visible Learning work.

- 4.3 Cowley College Partnership Update

The superintendent will update the board on the ongoing partnership between Cowley College and the district. The district meets with the college on a regular basis and several students are currently taking classes for up to ½ day at the technology center. Ensuring students get an industry certificate or AA by the time they graduate from WHS is part of the strategic plan and also part of Redesign.

- 4.4 Budget Update

Mr. Hatfield will provide an update on the current state of the budget. The district just completed a financial audit, which went very well this year. The auditor will be at the December meeting to discuss the audit. Revenue is up this year due to an increase in base state aid. The increase in state aid was intended by the state to help attract and retain quality teachers. The State of Kansas is facing a teacher shortage crisis so it is critical we continue to seek ways to improve salaries. The districts expenditures other than salaries have increased as well. The increase in expenditures is largely related to

capital outlay projects including the new bleachers and significant improvement to Washington. Mr. Hatfield is ensuring all projects remain at or under budget.

4.5 Curriculum and Instruction Update

Dr. Kern will provide an update on the work to develop an articulated district curriculum especially in the areas of reading and math. Teachers, under the direction of building principals have spent this year identifying the essential standards which will translate to the district's standard's based report card. This work is also related to Visible Learning.

5. ACTION ITEM

5.1 Approve Suicide Prevention Protocol

The board was provided with a new Suicide Prevention Protocol as developed by district counselors at the November meeting. Incidents of suicide among teens, even as young as 6th grade, has increased dramatically in the United States over the last few years. This protocol is meant as a way to further help staff recognize students at risk for suicide and give guidance on how to prevent incidents of suicide.

Carol Hadorn motioned, seconded by Pat Zeka to approve the Suicide Prevention Protocol as presented.

Motion carried 7/0.

6. ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

7. EXECUTIVE SESSION

7.1 Personnel

Angie Ratcliff motioned, seconded by Carol Hadorn to go into executive session to discuss non-elected personnel pursuant to the non-elected personnel exception under the Kansas Open Meeting Act, and the open meeting will resume in the boardroom at 8:15 p.m. to include district administration.

Motion carried 7/0.

At 8:15 p.m. the meeting was back in open session with no binding action taken.

8. CONSENT AGENDA

8.1. Approve October 2018 Regular Meeting Minutes

8.2 Approve Financials

8.2.1 Bills: \$599,119.20

8.2.2 Payroll: \$965,934.02

8.2.3 Transfers:

At Risk: \$200,000

Vocations: \$50,000

Professional Development: \$20,000

8.3 Approve Personnel

Approve New Personnel

Kailyn Patterson: Para, WMS

Chris Wonser: Para, Kennedy

Tori Bagby: Para, WMS

Candace Dave: Functional Para, WMS

Tonner Finch: 7th grade Boys Assistant Basketball
Jaedyn Ledesma: WMS Assistant Girls' Basketball
Ian Stallbaumer: Para, WMS
Rebecca Benvin: Para, Kennedy
Amy Macias: Functional Para, Lincoln

Resignations:

Chris Wonser: Para, Kennedy

Angie Ratcliff motioned, seconded by Larry Mangan to approve the consent agenda as presented.

Motion carried 7/0.

9. Board Member Comments

10. ADJOURNMENT

Jackie Berryman adjourned the meeting at 8:38 p.m.