

WESTERN PLAINS USD 106
BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING MINUTES
MONDAY March 10, 2025
7:00 P.M. LIBRARY OF WESTERN PLAINS NORTH
RANSOM, KANSAS

1. Call to Order

Darin Wittman called the meeting to order at 7:30 PM.

Board Members present: Loretta Hair, Lowell Foos, Jared Cook, Nohelia Mendez, Darrell Ary, and Darin Wittman.

Administration present: Jeff Jones, Superintendent; Rhonda Heim, Principal

Others present: Jayme Leighton, District Board Clerk; Pat Flax, Athletic Director; Christina Payne, teacher; Bridgett Tillitson, parent

2. Adoption of Agenda

Jared Cook moved to approve the agenda.

Darrell Ary seconded.

Motion carried 6-0-0.

3. Patron & Staff Input

All patrons and staff present are here to listen to open forum topics.

4. Reports

Jeff Jones presented the Superintendent's Report. This included information about Basketball season finish, HS Forensics, Music Festivals, North Elementary AR Trips, School Play & Prom, and the start of Golf and Track seasons.

Rhonda Heim presented the South Principals Report. This included information about the Music Festivals, JH Field Trip, LCP 3-year Monitoring Audit, State Assessments, KELPA tests, and the South Elementary Easter Fundraiser.

5. Consent Agenda Items

Loretta Hair moved to approve the consent agenda items as presented, Nohelia Mendez seconded.

Motion carried 6-0-0.

6. Old Business

6.1 District Offerings

Jeff Jones presented information about the district activities offered as well as recommendations from both Athletic Directors. Discussion took place over adding Cross Country.

Lowell Foos moved to add Cross Country as an offered activity.

Motion did not pass due to no second.

Bridgett Tillitson left the meeting at 7:52pm.

6.2 District Organization

Jeff Jones presented information about district organization to the BOE. Rhonda Heim presented data concerning testing & results.

7. New Business

7.1 25-26 District Calendar

Jeff Jones presented the 25-26 calendar that was given to faculty members for review as well as their recommendations.

No action was taken.

7.2 Executive Session for Negotiations

Loretta Hair moved that the BOE and administration go into executive session for 10 minutes to discuss the employer-employee negotiations under KOMA.

Darrell Ary seconded. Motion carried 6-0-0.

Christina Payne, Pat Flax, and Jayme Leighton left the meeting at 8:47 pm.

Additional 5 minutes

In: 8:57 pm Out 9:02 pm

Christina Payne, Pat Flax, and Jayme Leighton returned to the meeting at 9:02 pm.

7.3 Executive Session for Personnel

Loretta Hair moved that the BOE go into executive session for 20 minutes to discuss employee performance pursuant to non-elected personnel exception under KOMA.

Nohelia Mendez seconded. Motion carried 6-0-0.

Christina Payne, Pat Flax, and Jayme Leighton left the meeting at 9:04 pm.

Additional 5 minutes

In: 9:24 pm Out 9:29 pm

Additional 5 minutes

In: 9:29 pm Out 9:34 pm

Christina Payne, Pat Flax, Jayme Leighton returned to the meeting at 9:35 pm.

7.3 Hire And Approve

Lowell Foos moved to accept the resignation of Denice Flax at the end of the 2024-2025 school year.

Loretta Hair seconded. Motion carried 5-0-1.(Ary abstained.)

Lowell Foos moved to hire Ryan Young as a teacher for the 2025-2026 school year.

Jared Cook seconded. Motion carried 6-0-0.

Darrell Ary moved to give Loretta Basgall a \$150 concessions supplemental for the additional Substate games.

Loretta Hair seconded. Motion carried 6-0-0.

8.0 Adjournment

Loretta Hair moved to adjourn the meeting.

Nohelia Mendez seconded.

Motion carried 6-0-0.

The meeting adjourned at 9:37 pm.

The next meeting will be in Bazine on Monday April 14, 2025 at 7:30 pm.

BOARD PRESIDENT

BOARD CLERK