

WESTERN PLAINS USD 106
BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING MINUTES
MONDAY NOVEMBER 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 7:00 PM.

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

Administration present: Jeff Jones, Superintendent

Others present: Jayme Leighton, District Board Clerk; Pat Flax, teacher/AD; Joe Spangler, teacher/AD; Shansy Flax, parent; Kara Cook, WP Recreation Commission Committee

2. Adoption of Agenda

Jared Cook moved to approve the agenda as presented.

Darrell Ary seconded.

Motion carried 4-0-0.

3. Patron & Staff Input

Kara Cook came to represent the WP Rec Committee about some recent requests from different athletic teams and clubs. She explained the reasons they have denied some requests.

Shansy Flax came to discuss with the BOE about issues for families with purchasing multiple "mandatory" uniform additions each year for athletic teams/clubs.

Lowell Foos arrived at the meeting at 7:07 pm.

4. Reports

Jeff Jones presented the Superintendent's Report. This included information about HS roof update, scoreboard information, JH basketball practice, Scholar's Bowl, Math Relays, HS Government field trip to Ness City, and Parent/Teacher conferences.

Rhonda Heim was not present, but Jeff Jones presented the South Building Report. This included information on the Book Fair, Professional Development for Structured Literacy, KESA goals and LETRS Training, and the upcoming Blessings Breakfast.

5. Consent Agenda Items

Loretta Hair moved to approve the consent agenda items as presented.

Darrell Ary seconded.

Motion carried 5-0-0.

6. Old Business

6.1 SKACD Representative

Not enough members to elect a new representative, table until next meeting.

7. New Business

7.1 Fiscal Audit Presentation – Alex Mettie Adams Brown, LLC

Alex Mettie connected with the BOE on Zoom to discuss the Fiscal Year 25 Audit that was done in August.

No action needed, information only.

7.2 Closing Inactive Activity Accounts

Jeff Jones discussed closing the following inactive Activity accounts; FBLA and English Department, and move remaining funds into the General Activity account.

Loretta Hair moved to close the FBLA account and move the remaining balance of \$109 to the General Activity fund.

Jared Cook seconded.

Motion carried 5-0-0.

Darrell Ary moved to close the English Department account and move the remaining balance of \$41 to the General Activity fund.

Loretta Hair seconded.

Motion carried 5-0-0.

7.3 Facilities

7.3.1 Phones

Jeff Jones presented information about updating the High School phone system using E-Rate funding. He has been working with GBTA with bids and the E-Rate process.

7.3.2 Kitchen Walk In Cooler

Jeff Jones presented information about the kitchen walk in cooler no longer working and options for repair or replacement.

The BOE adjourned the meeting at 7:45 to walk down to the kitchen.

The BOE resumed the meeting in the library at 7:54 pm.

7.4 Executive Session for Personnel

Jared Cook moved that the BOE and Administration go into executive session for 10 minutes to discuss employee performance pursuant to non-elected personnel exception under KOMA.

Darrell Ary seconded.

Motion carried 5-0-0.

Jayme Leighton, Pat Flax, Joe Spangler, Kara Cook, and Shansy Flax left the meeting at 7:55 pm.

In: 7:55 pm Out: 8:05 pm

Darin Wittman moved for the BOE to go into Executive Session to protect the privacy of non-elected personnel for an additional 10 minutes with the BOE and Jeff Jones present.

In: 8:05 pm Out: 8:15 pm

Pat Flax, Shansy Flax, Kara Cook and Jayme Leighton returned to the meeting at 8:15 pm.

8.0 Adjournment

Loretta Hair moved to adjourn the meeting.

Lowell Foos seconded.

Motion carried 5-0-0.

The meeting adjourned at 8:17 pm.

The next meeting will be in Bazine on Monday December 8, 2025 at 7:00 pm.

BOARD PRESIDENT

BOARD CLERK