

WESTERN PLAINS USD 106
BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING MINUTES
MONDAY OCTOBER 13, 2025
7:30 P.M. LIBRARY OF WESTERN PLAINS SOUTH
BAZINE, KANSAS

1. Call to Order

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

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

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

Others present: Jayme Leighton, District Board Clerk; Anne Hawkins, Teacher

2. Adoption of Agenda

Loretta Hair moved to approve the agenda as presented.

Jared Cook seconded.

Motion carried 5-0-0.

3. Patron & Staff Input

No patron or staff input, Anne Hawkins is here to observe.

4. Reports

Jeff Jones presented the Superintendent's Report. This included information about fall sports update, district financial standings, facility issues, Bus 14 breakdown, and cheerleading fundraiser for new uniforms.

Rhonda Heim presented the South Building Report. This included information on Parent/Teacher Conferences, Halloween parade, and Title I Parent Engagement activities.

5. Consent Agenda Items

Jared Cook moved to approve the consent agenda items as presented.

Loretta Hair seconded.

Motion carried 5-0-0.

6. Old Business

No old business.

7. New Business

7.1 Excess Inventory

Jeff Jones presented information about buses to list as excess inventory.

Loretta Hair moved to approve Bus 3 & 4 as excess inventory.

Darrell Ary seconded. Motion carried 5-0-0.

7.2 Executive Session for Personnel

Jared Cook moved that the BOE and Administration with Jayme Leighton go into executive session for 30 minutes to discuss employee performance pursuant to non-elected personnel exception under KOMA.

Loretta Hair seconded. Motion carried 5-0-0.

Anne Hawkins left the meeting at 8:33 pm.

Jayme Leighton left the meeting at 8:38pm.

Jeff Jones and Rhonda Heim left the meeting at 8:41 pm.

Jeff Jones returned to the meeting at 8:49 pm.

In: 8:33 pm Out: 9:03 pm

Darin Wittman moved for the BOE to go into Executive Session to protect the privacy of non-elected personnel for an additional 30 minutes with the BOE and Jeff Jones present.

In: 9:03 pm Out: 9:33 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: 9:33 pm Out: 9:43 pm

Rhonda Heim and Jayme Leighton returned to the meeting at 9:43 pm.

7.3 Acceptance of Resignations and Offers of Employment

7.3.1 Darrell Ary moved to accept the resignation of Rhonda Heim effective June 30, 2026.

Lowell Foos seconded. Motion carried 5-0-0.

7.3.2 Jared Cook moved to hire Amanda Wittman as a long-term substitute with the current compensation.

Darrell Ary seconded. Motion carried 4-0-1 (Darin Wittman Abstained)

8.0 Adjournment

Jared Cook moved to adjourn the meeting.

Darrell Ary seconded.

Motion carried 5-0-0.

The meeting adjourned at 9:55 pm.

The next meeting will be in Ransom on Monday November 10, 2025 at 7:00 pm.



BOARD PRESIDENT



BOARD CLERK