

WESTERN PLAINS USD 106
BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING MINUTES
MONDAY FEBRUARY 9, 2026
7:00 P.M. LIBRARY OF WESTERN PLAINS SOUTH
BAZINE, KANSAS

1. Call to Order

Darin Wittman called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

Board members present: Darin Wittman, William Fairbank, Nohelia Mendez, Jared Cook, Brent Schreiber, and Loretta Hair.

Administration present: Jeff Jones, Superintendent; Rhonda Heim, Principal; Elizabeth Lund, teacher and Assistant Administrator.

Others present: Jayme Leighton, District Board Clerk; Patrons & Staff (SEE ATTACHED LIST)

2. Adoption of Agenda

William Fairbank moved to approve the agenda with the following additions: 6.4 Executive Session for Student Privacy, 6.5 South Faculty.
Nohelia Mendez seconded.
Motion carried 6-0-0.

3. Patron & Staff Input

Bridget Tillitson, parent, discussed her concerns with discipline consistency.

Cristina Garza, parent, discussed the selection process for Honor Flight and her concerns that South students are not being chosen.

Cristina Garza, parent, voiced her concerns about the future of the South Elementary School.

Holly Kraus, parent, clarified that the 6.4 Executive Session will include her to voice issues concerning student issues.

Lowell Foos arrived to meeting at 7:17pm.

4. Reports

Jeff Jones presented the Superintendent's Report. This included information about the HS and JH Scholar's Bowl teams, Forensics, Basketball seasons, Walk-in Cooler repair update, 26-27 District Calendar has been given to teachers, SKACD update, and recommends that we do not move forward with the E-Rate program to place the telephone system at this time.

Rhonda Heim presented her Building Principal report. This included information on the Spelling Bees (Congratulations to Ness County Winner, Bristol Henning, and Ness County Runner Up, Ezra Davis), State Assessments at South Elementary are complete, KELPA testing window is now open, Accountability Report is on KSDE, Doctorial Thesis by Melissa McBrayer, and summer school.

5. Consent Agenda Items

William Fairbank moved to approve the consent agenda items with following change: Item # 8.6.2 Loretta Hair did abstain on the vote for hiring Hannah Hair.

Jared Cook seconded.

Motion carried 7-0-0.

6. New Business

6.1 Ness County Golf Course Use

Jeff Jones discussed using the Ness County Golf Course for Golf team practices this Spring.

Loretta Hair moved to declare that the School Board will take responsibility for any liability and that the Golf team has their permission to practice at the Ness County Golf Course.

Nohelia Mendez seconded.

Motion carried 7-0-0.

6.2 Transportation

6.2.1 Bus 14 Insurance Claim

Jeff Jones discussed the insurance claim for Bus 14 and presented the options given by the insurance company. The BOE discussed the options and had a consensus to investigate and get another estimate for repairing the bus. No action taken.

6.2.2 Excess Inventory – Suburban 9

Jeff Jones recommended that the BOE declare Suburban 9 as Excess Inventory to sell due to mechanical issues.

Brent Schreiber moved to declare Suburban 9 as Excess Inventory.

William Fairbank seconded.

Motion carried 7-0-0.

6.3 Executive Session for Personnel

Jared Cook moved that the BOE and Administration go into executive session for 5 minutes to discuss employee performance pursuant to non-elected personnel exception under KOMA.

Loretta Hair seconded.

Motion carried 7-0-0.

Jayme Leighton and all patrons and staff left the meeting at 8:11 pm.

In: 7:56 pm Out: 8:01 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 Administration present.

In: 8:01 pm Out: 8:11 pm

Jayme Leighton and all patrons and staff returned to the meeting at 8:11 pm.

6.4 Executive Session for Student Privacy

Jared Cook moved that the board, administration, and Holly and Weston Kraus go into executive session to discuss an issue concerning a student under KOMA for 5 minutes.

Loretta Hair seconded. Motion carried 7-0-0.

Jayme Leighton and all patrons and staff left meeting @ 8:15 pm.

In: 8:15pm Out: 8:18 pm

Jayme Leighton returned to meeting at 8:18 pm

William Fairbank moved that the board, Holly and Weston Kraus, Jackie Roths, Tim and Gabby Dysinger, Joe Spangler, and Amanda Wittman go into executive session to discuss an issue concerning a student under KOMA for 5 minutes.

Jared Cook seconded. Motion carried 7-0-0.

Jeff Jones, Rhonda Heim, Jayme Leighton left meeting at 8:21 pm.

Darin Wittman moved for the BOE to go into Executive Session to protect the privacy of a student for an additional 5 minutes with the BOE, Holly and Weston Kraus, Jackie Roths, Tim and Gabby Dysinger, Joe Spangler, and Amanda Wittman present.

In: 8:26 pm Out: 8:33 pm

Darin Wittman moved for the BOE to go into Executive Session to protect the privacy of a student for an additional 10 minutes with the BOE, Holly and Weston Kraus, Jackie Roths, Tim and Gabby Dysinger, Joe Spangler, and Amanda Wittman present.

In: 8:33 pm Out: 8:43 pm

Darin Wittman moved for the BOE to go into Executive Session to protect the privacy of a student for an additional 5 minutes with the BOE, Holly and Weston Kraus, Jackie Roths, Tim and Gabby Dysinger, Joe Spangler, and Amanda Wittman present.

In: 8:43 pm Out: 8:48 pm

Darin Wittman moved for the BOE to go into Executive Session to protect the privacy of a student for an additional 5 minutes with the BOE, Holly and Weston Kraus, Jackie Roths, Tim and Gabby Dysinger, Joe Spangler, and Amanda Wittman present.

In: 8:48 pm Out: 8:53 pm

Darin Wittman moved for the BOE to go into Executive Session to protect the privacy of a student for an additional 5 minutes with the BOE, Holly and Weston Kraus, Jackie Roths, Tim and Gabby Dysinger, Joe Spangler, and Amanda Wittman present.

In: 8:53 pm Out: 8:58 pm

Darin Wittman moved for the BOE to go into Executive Session to protect the privacy of a student for an additional 2 minutes with the BOE, Holly and Weston Kraus, Jackie Roths, Tim and Gabby Dysinger, Joe Spangler, and Amanda Wittman present.

In: 8:58 pm Out: 9:00 pm

Darin Wittman moved for the BOE to go into Executive Session to protect the privacy of a student for an additional 5 minutes with the BOE, Holly and Weston Kraus, Jackie Roths, Tim and Gabby Dysinger, Joe Spangler, and Amanda Wittman present.

In: 9:00 pm Out: 9:05 pm

Darin Wittman moved for the BOE to go into Executive Session to protect the privacy of a student for an additional 2 minutes with the BOE, Holly and Weston Kraus, Jackie Roths, Tim and Gabby Dysinger, Joe Spangler, and Amanda Wittman present.

In: 9:05 pm Out: 9:07 pm

Jeff Jones, Rhonda Heim, Jayme Leighton, and all patrons and staff returned to the meeting at 9:09 pm.

Holly & Weston Kraus, Jackie Roths, and Tim and Gabby Dysinger left the meeting at 9:09pm.

Nohelia Mendez moved to propose a new cell phone policy. Mr. Jones will work on a policy to have available at the next meeting.

Brent Schreiber seconded.

Motion carried 7-0-0.

6.5 South Faculty

Julie Mauch presented concerns from the South Faculty about the future of the South Elementary.

Anne Hawkins presented information about the staff and positives that are happening at South Elementary.

Julie Mauch discussed the thoughts and concerns of the South Faculty about hiring a South Elementary Principal/administrator.

6.6 Executive Session for Personnel

Darin Wittman 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.

Loretta Hair seconded.

Motion carried 7-0-0.

Jayme Leighton and all patrons and staff left the meeting at 10:07 pm.

In: 10:07 pm Out: 10:18 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 Administration present.

In: 10:19 pm Out: 10:29 pm

Jayme Leighton and all patrons and staff returned to the meeting at 10:29 pm.

Nohelia Mendez moved to advertise to hire a South Elementary Principal and teaching position.

William Fairbank seconded.

Motion carried 7-0-0.

9.0 Adjournment

Jared Cook moved to adjourn the meeting.

Brent Schreiber seconded.

Motion carried 7-0-0.

The meeting adjourned at 10:30 pm.

The next meeting will be in Ransom on Monday March 9, 2026 at 7:30 pm.



BOARD PRESIDENT



BOARD CLERK

Board Meeting Sign-In Sheet

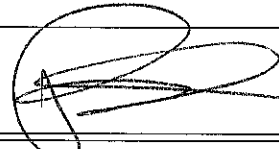
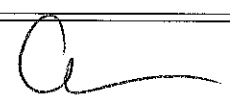
Organization Name: Western Plains USD 106

Meeting Title: February 9, 2026 Regular Meeting

Date: 02/09/2026 Time: 7:00 pm

Location: Bazine, Kansas

#	Name (Print)	Title / Role	Signature
1	Joe Spangler	AD & Teacher	Joe Spang
2	Elizabeth Lund	teacher	Elizabeth Lund
3	Wesley Kraus	Parent	
4	Holly Kraus	Parent	Holly Kraus
5	Bridget Tillitson	Parent	
6	Jacky Roth	Parent	Jacky Roth
7	Christian Garza	Parent	Christian Garza
8	Nayeli Gomez		NayeliGome
9	Alma Gomez Solis	STAFF	Alma Solis
10	Margarita Gomez	Parent	

	Roger Tocoova	Parent	
12	Cristina Garza	Parent / Employee	
13	Gabrielle Dysinger	Parent	
14	Tim Dysinger	Parent	Tim D.
15	Amanda Wittman	Parent / Teacher	Amanda Wittman
16	Chealsea Weaver	Teacher	Chealsea Weaver
17	Nephtaly Tocoova	Teacher	Nephtaly Tocoova
18	Julie Mauch	Teacher	Julie Mauch
19	Anne Hankins	Teacher	Anne Hankins
20	Randy Willis	Bazin Resident	Randy Willis
21	Bridgett Huish	Teacher	Bridgett Huish
22	Nicole Sandoval	teacher Parent	Nicole Sandoval
23	Yadira Rodriguez	Parent	yadira rod
24	Annet Michel	Parent	Annet Michel
25	Lazarro Isai	Parent	

	Brenda Padilla	parent	Brenda Padilla
27	Maria Gómez	parent	Maria Gómez
29	Jesus Lena	parent	Jesus Lena
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