Minutes

USD #112 Board of Education met in regular session Monday evening, Jan. 12, 2026 at 6:00 p.m. in the Central Plains Jr-Sr High School Cafeteria in Claflin, KS, with the following attending:

Board Members:

Chad Rogers
Allison Gonzalez
Kayla Cullens
Dalton Wirth
Joshua Hurley
Tamara Dody

Roll

Also attending were Bobby Murphy, Superintendent, Diane Ney, Clerk, Shaelyn Sheehy, Central Plains Elementary Principal, Karin Mohr, Principal at Wilson, Scott Mitchum, livestream, and the attached lists of staff and patrons.

Tamara Dody called the meeting to order.

Call to order

The board conducted the election of officers for 2026.

Allison Gonzalez nominated Tamara Dody for President. Josh Hurley seconded that nomination. With no other nominations, the board voted 6-0 to approve Tamara Dody as Board President.

Election of Board President

Allison Gonzalez nominated Josh Hurley for Vice-President. Tamara Dody seconded that nomination. With no other nominations, the board voted 6-0 to approve Josh Hurley as Vice-President.

Election of Board Vice-President

On motion by Allison Gonzalez and seconded by Josh Hurley, the board voted 6-0 to approve the agenda as presented.

Approve Agenda

On motion by Allison Gonzalez and seconded by Josh Hurley, the board voted 6-0 to approve the minutes of the Dec. 8, 2025 board meeting.

Approve Minutes

On motion by Kayla Cullens and seconded by Allison Gonzalez, the board voted 6-0 to approve the treasurers' report as presented.

Approve Treasurer's Report

On motion by Allison Gonzalez and seconded by Josh Hurley, the board voted 6-0 to approve all invoices in the amount of $322,632.79.

Approve Invoices

The board of education reviewed the cash summary report and the bank balances were reconciled with the treasurer's report as of Dec. 31, 2025.

Bank Reconciliation

There was no public forum.

On motion by Allison Gonzalez and seconded by Josh Hurley, the board voted 6-0 to approve the attached Resolution to Establish Board's Regular Meeting Dates, which will be at 6:00 p.m., on the second Monday of the month and the location will be at Central Plains Elementary School in February, Wilson Elementary School in March, and all other meetings will be at Central Plains Jr-Sr High School in Claflin.

Approve Resolution - Establish Board's Regular Mtg.Dates

On motion by Kayla Cullens and seconded by Allison Gonzalez, the board voted 6-0 to approve the attached Board Vacancy Resolution as presented.

Approve Board Vacancy Resolution

Building reports were read by Shaelyn Sheehy and Karin Mohr.

Administrative Reports

On motion by Tamara Dody and seconded by Josh Hurley, the board voted 6-0 to approve Chad Rogers as the board representative for negotiations.

Approve BOE Rep. for Negotiations

Mr. Murphy presented the updated recommended board policies by KASB for the board to review. This will be the first reading and final approval will be at the February board meeting.

1st Reading Board Policy Updates

On motion by Allison Gonzalez and seconded by Josh Hurley, the board voted 6-0 to approve the quote from Brentwood Builder, in the amount of $9,439.00, for the installation of the high school gym safety ladder.

Approve Safety Ladder Purchase

Mr. Murphy reviewed the recent blue print submitted by Boxx Modular for the modular unit at Central Plains Elementary School. The board reviewed the recommended changes for the daycare rooms, and Mr. Murphy will present them with the final copy after the updates.

Review modular blue-prints

No action was taken.

On motion by Allison Gonzalez and seconded by Josh Hurley, the board voted 6-0 to approve the CPJSHS gym and facility usage for Run Kansas on Monday, June 1, 2026.

Approve Facility Usage

Mr. Murphy opened discussion on the financial situation at Wilson Elementary School as well as land transfer discussions between USD 407 Russell and USD 299 Sylvan-Lucas. He reviewed the following: past and current enrollment for Wilson Elementary; estimated costs to keep the attendance center open; ESSA report on cost per student; land valuation; and prospective time-line for a community meeting with Wilson patrons and scheduling a special board meeting.

Discussion: Wilson Elementary and possible land transfer

By consensus, the board agreed to have Mr. Murphy conduct a community meeting for the Wilson patrons, on Jan. 20, 2026 beginning at 6:00 p.m. in the Wilson Elementary School gym.

Consensus Agreement

On motion by Kayla Cullens and seconded by Josh Hurley, the board voted 6-0 to have a special board meeting on Wednesday, Jan. 21, 2026 at 6:00 p.m. in the CPJSHS cafeteria. Agenda item will be discussion and possible action on the results of the community meeting at Wilson, which may include a land transfer.

Approve Special BOE Meeting

Josh Hurley made the following motion: I move that the board go into Executive Session pursuant to the Kansas Open Meetings Act, to discuss nonelected personnel for the topics of classified staff and substitutes, to protect the privacy of individuals to be discussed, with Mr. Murphy present, and return to open session, in this room at 7:15 p.m. Allison Gonzalez seconded the motion. Board voted 6-0 to approve.

Executive Session

The board returned to open meeting at 7:15 p.m.

On motion by Allison Gonzalez and seconded by Josh Hurley, the board voted 6-0 to approve Travis Johnson, Jane Oeser, Sherri Nixon and Janelle Robson as substitute teachers.

Approve Substitute Teachers

On motion by Allison Gonzalez and seconded by Josh Hurley, the board voted 5-0-1 to approve Robie Lamia as a substitute cook. Chad Rogers abstained.

Approve Substitute Cook

On motion by Allison Gonzalez and seconded by Josh Hurley, the board voted 6-0 to approve Charlene Pearson and Kristina Marsell as substitute bus drivers.

Approve Substitute Bus Drivers

The superintendent's report included the following:

- Update on heat at the rec. gym and district office
- Update on the progress of the daycare center at Claflin
- Virtual credits update
- KESA plan updates
- Legislative discussion on technology devices in the classroom
- KSDE upcoming audit
- January – School Board Recognition Month

Superintendent's Report

There were no board member reports.

Open agenda items included further discussion on a land transfer and community meeting.

Open agenda items

Future meeting and agenda items: the regularly scheduled February meeting will be Feb. 9, 2026 at the CPES Library in Holyrood, beginning at 6:00 p.m. Agenda items may include final reading for board policies; administration contracts; superintendent's evaluation for spring semester; and the 2026-2027 school calendar.

Future meeting agenda items

On motion by Allison Koch and seconded by Josh Hurley, the board voted 6-0 to adjourn the meeting at 7:25 p.m.

Adjourn

Clerk

President

USD #112 Board of Education
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Guest Registration

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Shawndell Kerina
Nichole Clark
Skylar Cullens
J.D. Johnson
Callun Rogers
Ted Long

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Shelly Sebesta
Becky Whitmer
Maggie Bennett
Dena Templeton

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RESOLUTION TO ESTABLISH BOARD'S REGULAR MEETING DATES

RESOLUTION

Mr. President, I move the adoption of the following Resolution:

WHEREAS, K.S.A. 72-1138 requires boards of education, at the first meeting on or after the second Monday in January or at a later date during that calendar year if so determined by the board at that first meeting, to adopt a resolution to establish its regular board meeting dates, times, and location, as well as the alternative date and time of any meeting if the regular meeting date falls on a Sunday or holiday;

WHEREAS, the board of education must act each year on or after the second Monday in January and before February 1st of each year or at a later date during the calendar year to establish its meeting dates, times, and location;

BE IT RESOLVED pursuant to K.S.A. 2019 Supp. 72-1138, that the Board of Education of Unified School District No. 112, Ellsworth County, Kansas at its meeting on January 12, 2026 does hereby adopt this resolution to:

Establish the following meeting schedule at the first meeting on or after the second Monday in January and before February 1st, for regular board of education meetings to be held during 2026 as follows:

Hour of commencing the meeting:	**6:00 p.m.**
Day of week the meeting will be held:	**Monday**
Week of the month the meeting will be held:	**Second Week**
Meeting location:	**Central Plains Jr-Sr High School** **700 W. Albro St., Claflin, KS 67525**

Other meeting locations: **February, 2026 meeting – Central Plains Elementary School**
600 S. Main St., Holyrood, KS 67450

March, 2026 meeting - Wilson Elementary School – Wilson
3005 Avenue D, Wilson, KS 67490

If the established meeting date falls on a Sunday, a legal holiday, or a holiday specified by the board of education, such regular meeting will be held on the day following, commencing at the same hour and location as detailed above.

The board of education reserves the right to adjourn any regular meeting to another time and/or place.

By:

Board Member

Board Member

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CERTIFICATE

This is to certify that the above resolution was duly adopted by the Board of Education of Unified School District No. 112, Ellsworth County, Kansas, on the 12th day of January, 2026.

Clerk of the Board of Education

BOARD VACANCY RESOLUTION

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, a vacancy exists in the membership of the Board of Unified School District No. 112 , Ellsworth County, Kansas; and

WHEREAS, K.S.A. 25-2022 authorizes a Board of Education to fill such vacancies no sooner than fifteen (15) days following publication of notice in a newspaper having general circulation in the school district.

BE IT RESOLVED, that the clerk of the Board of Education of Unified School District No. 112, Ellsworth County, Kansas, shall cause such notice to be published in the Ellsworth Independent Reporter .

This resolution dated the 12th day of January, 2026.

By: _____
Board Member

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Attest: _____
Clerk, Board of Education