

Board of Education Minutes
Wichita Public Schools - USD 259
Wichita, Kansas
April 27, 2009

Roll Call	<p>The Board of Education of Unified School District No. 259, Sedgwick County, Kansas, met in regular session in the Wichita High School North Lecture Hall, 1437 Rochester, Wichita, Kansas, at approximately 6:03 p.m., on April 27, 2009, with President Lynn Rogers presiding.</p> <p>Present: Betty Arnold, Jeff Davis, Connie Dietz, Barbara Fuller, Kevass Harding, Lanora Nolan, and Lynn Rogers.</p>
Moment of Silence/Pledge of Allegiance	<p>The business portion of the meeting opened with a moment of silence followed by the Pledge of Allegiance by Mead Middle School Leadership Cadets.</p>
Reports	<p>Report – Good News</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Spring 2009 Red Carpet Customer Service Award: Adams Elementary School, funded by Midwest Single Source, Inc. 2. State and National Physical Education Awards <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a) Kansas Association of Health, Physical Education, Recreation and Dance (KAHPERD) Awards: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (1) Model School Award: Dodge Elementary School. Teachers: Kim Morrissey and Cindy Johnson. Principal: Janet Jump. (2) Administrator of the Year Award: Dodge Elementary School. Principal: Janet Jump. (3) Middle School Teacher of the Year Award: Carri Flores, Wilbur Middle School. (4) High School Teacher of the Year Award and Central District High School Teacher of the Year: Becky Winter, South High. (5) Wayne Osness Honor Award: Rhonda Holt, District PE Curriculum Coach. b) National Association of Sport and Physical Education, State Athletic Director of the Year Award: Bill Faflick. c) American Alliance of Health, Physical Education, Recreation and Dance Honor Award: Rhonda Holt. 3. Wichita Hispanic Chamber of Commerce Scholars: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a) Adrianna De La Rosa, Heights High School, recipient of the Kansas Hispanic Education and Development Foundation Scholarship, funded by Complete Landscaping Systems, Inc. b) Dorothy Ayon, Northwest High School, recipient of the WSU W. Frank Barton School of Business – Wichita Hispanic Chamber Scholarship. c) Joshua Palacios, Northeast Magnet, recipient of the Change the Face of Engineering at the WSU Engineering School of Engineering – Wichita Hispanic Chamber Scholarship. d) Karla Sarmiento, North High School, recipient of the 2009 Wichita Hispanic Chamber of Commerce Scholarship. 4. Love Wichita: Eastminster Presbyterian Church Community-wide Service Project, involving 30 congregations on April 25, 2009.

Reports (continued)	Report – United Teachers of Wichita: None submitted. Report – Service Employees International: None submitted.
Bid Appeal: Preface to Public Communications.	Before beginning Public Communications, Board President Lynn Rogers asked Interim Superintendent Martin Libhart to comment on a bid appeal process. Interim Superintendent Libhart noted that at the regular Board of Education meeting on April 13, 2009, the Board approved the district entering into a contract with Hellas Construction, Inc. for installation of turf athletic fields at various schools. On April 22, 2009, one of the vendors that submitted a proposal for this project, ATG Sports, Inc., filed a formal protest of the award of the proposal. As provided by BOE Policy 3305 – Specification/Bid Appeal, an Administrative Hearing Committee presided at an appeal hearing on April 27, 2009 at 10:30 a.m. This afternoon, the Administrative Hearing Committee moved and adopted a motion that upon hearing testimony and statements from ATG Sports, Inc. and from USD 259 staff finds that it is in the best interest of the district to reject and revoke the award of bid to Hellas Construction, Inc. and Committee further found that the construction of turf fields should be put out for competitive bid. This recommendation will be presented to the Board for consideration following Public Communications.
Public Communications	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Robin Smith, 9411 E. Longlake St., Wichita 67207. Topic: Turf. 2. Ted Mason, 11700 Wilshire Terrace, Wichita 67207. Topic: Turf bid. 3. Jeff Pearce, 555 N. Sagebrush, Wichita 67230. Topic: Sports turfs. 4. Reed Seaton, 8201 Denali Parkway, Austin TX 78726. Topic: Athletic fields. 5. Bob Weeks, 2451 Regency Lakes Ct., Wichita 67226. Topic: The Bond Issue and its Economic Benefit to Wichita. 6. John Todd, 1559 N. Payne, Wichita 67203. Topic: Turf bid. 7. Tom Garretson, 2959 N. Rock Road, Wichita KS 67226. Topic: Turf bid.
Suspend Order of Business	Board President Lynn Rogers requested the order of business suspended for the following time-specific item from Operations.
Bid Appeal: Installation of All Weather Turf Athletic Fields: Various Schools Appendix 10	At this time the Board consulted with Superintendent Libhart, Board Counsel Tom Powell, and Operations Division Director Darren Muci regarding the above-noted recommendation of the Administrative Hearing Committee. During this discussion, Board Counsel Powell suggested the Board recess into Executive Session.
Executive Session	At approximately 7:20 p.m., Ms. Fuller (Mr. Harding) moved the Board of Education recess forthwith into Executive Session regarding: Consultation with an attorney which would be deemed privileged in attorney-client relationship; The open meeting to resume at approximately 7:35 p.m. in this room. The motion passed 7-0.
	At approximately 7:35 p.m., Executive Session was extended for 10 minutes.
Reconvene Meeting	At approximately 7:45 p.m., Board President Rogers reconvened the meeting.

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<p>Bid Appeal: Installation of All Weather Turf Athletic Fields: Various Schools (Continued)</p>	<p>The Board continued its discussion of the bid process.</p> <p>Ms. Fuller (Mr. Davis) moved the award of the bid to Hellas Construction, Inc. be revoked and that the construction of turf fields be put out for competitive bid.</p> <p>The motion passed 7-0.</p>															
<p>Consent: Disposal of Routine Business</p>	<p>Ms. Dietz (Mr. Davis) moved the Board of Education approve the following items of routine business.</p> <p>The motion passed 7-0.</p>															
<p>Human Resources Appendix 1</p>	<p>Board approval.</p>															
<p>District Time Collection Devices Appendix 2</p>	<p>Authorize the \$444,159.58 remaining on the Kaba Benzing America, Inc. (Kaba) purchase order for time clocks be transferred to Control Module for the implementation and purchase of our remaining time clocks and related hardware and software in all district buildings.</p>															
<p>Purchasing Consent Appendix 3</p>	<p>Board approval.</p> <p><u>Summary</u></p> <table border="1" data-bbox="574 921 1424 1390"> <thead> <tr> <th>Description of products/services</th> <th>Amount</th> <th>Responsible Party</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>1. Cisco Equipment</td> <td>\$2,877,599.05</td> <td>Cathy Barbieri</td> </tr> <tr> <td>2. Dust Mop Rental Service – Renewal</td> <td>\$40,000.00</td> <td>Tim Phares</td> </tr> <tr> <td>3. Bulk Miscellaneous Network Servers and Personal Computers</td> <td>\$2,000,000.00</td> <td>Cathy Barbieri</td> </tr> <tr> <td>4. Fuel Report- January, February, March 2009</td> <td>Board member Lynn Rogers pulled this item due to possible conflict-of-interest. Please see "Action on Pulled Consent Items."</td> <td>Darren Muci</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	Description of products/services	Amount	Responsible Party	1. Cisco Equipment	\$2,877,599.05	Cathy Barbieri	2. Dust Mop Rental Service – Renewal	\$40,000.00	Tim Phares	3. Bulk Miscellaneous Network Servers and Personal Computers	\$2,000,000.00	Cathy Barbieri	4. Fuel Report- January, February, March 2009	Board member Lynn Rogers pulled this item due to possible conflict-of-interest. Please see "Action on Pulled Consent Items."	Darren Muci
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<p>Advanced Placement Exams</p> <p>Appendix 6</p>	<p>Approve an additional \$54,404 to pay for 1,214 AP students to take Advanced Placement exams.</p> <p>This item requested that USD 259 pay for AP exams for 1,214 students enrolled in Advanced Placement (AP) courses. AP offers high school students the opportunity to take the most challenging and rigorous courses while enrolled in high school. Previously, the Board approved \$50,000 to pay for AP exams. Due to the large number of students enrolled in AP courses, another \$54,404 is needed to cover the cost of AP exams.</p>						
<p>Certifying Special Education Teachers 2009-10</p>	<p>Authorize the district to pay for the 2009-10 school year tuition and book expenses for up to 55 teacher/staff members to become certified in Special Education in an amount not to exceed \$150,000.</p>						
<p>Contracts for Summer 2009 Asbestos Flooring Abatement: Bid # 09-42689</p> <p>Appendix 7</p>	<p>Accept the individual low bids of the vendors listed herein to provide asbestos abatement services in support of the floor covering replacement projects. The requested budget authority is in the amount of \$87,400 for the asbestos abatement projects described in this agenda item.</p>						
<p>Action on Pulled Consent Items</p>	<p>Pulled items are presented in the order of the BOE Agenda.</p>						
	<p>Board member Lynn Rogers left the Board table at approximately 7:54 p.m.</p>						
<p>Purchasing Consent: Fuel Report</p>	<p>Ms. Dietz (Mr. Davis) moved the Board approve the Fuel Report.</p> <p><u>Summary</u></p> <table border="1" data-bbox="574 1031 1424 1146"> <thead> <tr> <th data-bbox="574 1031 1008 1087">Description of products/services</th> <th data-bbox="1008 1031 1211 1087">Amount</th> <th data-bbox="1211 1031 1424 1087">Responsible Party</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td data-bbox="574 1087 1008 1146">5. Fuel Report- January, February, March 2009</td> <td data-bbox="1008 1087 1211 1146">\$579,974.94</td> <td data-bbox="1211 1087 1424 1146">Darren Muci</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <p>The motion passed 6-0, with Board member Lynn Rogers abstaining due to possible conflict-of-interest.</p>	Description of products/services	Amount	Responsible Party	5. Fuel Report- January, February, March 2009	\$579,974.94	Darren Muci
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	<p>Board member Lynn Rogers returned to the Board table at approximately 7:55 p.m.</p>						
<p>Proposed Policy Revisions</p>	<p>Based on the Board's discussion, Administration agreed to make further minor revisions to BOE Policy 1474 – Standardized Dress Code for second review by the Board.</p>						
<p>Education</p>							
<p>High School/Middle School Reform Vertical Team Leadership Training Update</p>	<p>This item was pulled at the request of Administration and will be presented at a future Board meeting.</p>						

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Bond	
<p>Bond Resolution: Sale of First Series of General Obligation Bonds</p> <p>Appendix 8</p>	<p>On November 4, 2008, USD 259 voters approved a \$370 million bond issue. Bonds are to be issued for the purpose of providing funds to pay the costs of the following within the district:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Constructing, furnishing, and equipping new schools; 2) Upgrading, repairing, replacing, constructing, and equipping secondary technical education, physical education, athletic, fine arts, and special program facilities at schools; 3) Improving safety and security of schools; 4) Remodeling, renovating, improving, equipping, constructing additions to, demolishing and rebuilding schools; 5) Acquiring and improving sites; 6) Making all other necessary improvements appurtenant thereto; and 7) Paying fees, costs, and expenses incidental to the Bond project. <p>Tonight's agenda item provided for the adoption of a Resolution regarding the first series of General Obligation Bonds for the 2008 bond issue.</p> <p>Mr. Harding (Ms. Fuller) moved the Board approve the adoption of a Resolution entitled: Resolution authorizing the offering for sale of general obligation bonds of Unified School District No. 259, Sedgwick County, Kansas (Wichita). The resolution is provided in Appendix 8.</p> <p>The motion passed 7-0.</p>
Policy	
	<p>Board member Kevass Harding left the Board table at approximately 8:28 p.m.</p>
<p>Second Review: Proposed Revisions to BOE Policy 1230 - Internet and Online Services</p> <p>Appendix 9</p>	<p>Ms. Dietz (Mr. Davis) moved the Board approve proposed revisions to BOE Policy 1230 – Internet and Online Services.</p> <p>The motion passed 6-0, with Board member Kevass Harding noted absent.</p>
	<p>Board member Kevass Harding returned to the Board table at approximately 8:29 p.m.</p>
	<p>Board member Lanora Nolan left the Board table at approximately 8:32 p.m. and returned at approximately 8:36 p.m.</p>
Operations	
<p>Recommended Amendment to Elimination of Busing for Desegregation Plan</p> <p>Appendix 11</p>	<p>On March 9, 2009, the Diversity, Equity and Accountability Committee brought forth a recommendation to amend the current Eliminating Busing for Desegregation Plan (recommendation attached).</p> <p>Ms. Nolan (Ms. Fuller) moved the Board take the recommended action of the Diversity, Equity and Accountability Committee.</p> <p>The motion passed 7-0.</p> <p>Board President Rogers recognized members of the Committee present at tonight's meeting.</p>

<p>Superintendent's Contract</p> <p>Appendix 12</p>	<p>On March 2, 2009, the Board of Education appointed John Allison to be the Superintendent for the Wichita Public Schools, subject to a satisfactory background check, confirmation of qualifications to receive a superintendent's license in the State of Kansas, and the negotiation of a contract that sets terms and conditions of employment acceptable to the District and Mr. Allison.</p> <p>Ms. Dietz (Mr. Harding) moved the Board approve the contract of John Allison to be Superintendent for the Wichita Public Schools.</p> <p>The motion passed 7-0.</p>
<p>Sedgwick County Election Office: School Elections Invoice</p>	<p>The Sedgwick County Election Office has provided the district with an invoice for the USD 259 general election on April 7, 2009. This election served 156,620 voters in the school district. The district's portion of the direct election expenses is \$24,613.93. This includes voting place costs, postage, publications, and ballot costs.</p> <p>Mr. Davis (Mr. Harding) moved the Board authorize the district to pay the Sedgwick County Election Office in an amount not to exceed \$24,613.93 for the USD 259 general election on April 7, 2009.</p> <p>The motion passed 7-0.</p>
<p>Finance</p>	<p>None submitted.</p>
<p>Miscellaneous</p>	
<p>Superintendent's Report</p>	<p>Superintendent Libhart:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provided an update on the Board's Community Meeting on the 2009-10 Budget with Wendy Johnson, Division Director of Marketing and Communications. The Board agreed by consensus that the event will be held on Wednesday, May 6, 2009 from 6:30-8:30 p.m. at a location to be announced. • Provided an update on the Kansas Legislature's wrap-up session and implications of the 2010 fiscal year budget on USD 259.
<p>Board of Education Reports/Requests</p>	<p>Jeff Davis:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Noted that he visited Truesdell Middle School to review America's Choice program. <p>Lanora Nolan:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Welcomed incoming Superintendent John Allison to the district and community. • Noted that she participated in the Earhart Environmental Magnet School dedication on April 22nd with Board members Lynn Rogers and Barbara Fuller. • Requested options to develop a new district Web site: 1) user-friendly, and 2) clearly departmentalized with a clear understanding of how each department supports the district's "work." • Requested a comprehensive presentation on the homework policy of the district from elementary, middle, and high school. Please include the assignment of textbooks for every child on equal/equitable way across the district.

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<p>Board of Education Reports/Requests (continued)</p>	<p>Lynn Rogers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Noted that Board members' nominations for the Bond Oversight Committee are due April 28th. • Announced that he appointed Board member Betty Arnold to the KASB Legislative Committee.
<p>New Business</p>	<p>None submitted.</p>
<p>Executive Session</p>	<p>At approximately 9:09 p.m., Ms. Fuller (Ms. Nolan) moved the Board of Education recess forthwith into Executive Session regarding:</p> <p>5. Matters relating to employer-employee negotiations;</p> <p>The open meeting to resume at approximately 9:20 p.m. in this room.</p> <p>The motion passed 7-0.</p>
	<p>At approximately 9:20 p.m., Executive Session was extended for 5 minutes.</p>
<p>Reconvene Meeting</p>	<p>At approximately 9:24 p.m., Board President Rogers reconvened the meeting.</p>
<p>Adjournment</p>	<p>Mr. Davis (Mr. Harding) moved the meeting adjourn.</p> <p>The motion passed 6-0, with Board member Betty Arnold noted absent.</p> <p>At approximately 9:25 p.m., the meeting adjourned.</p>