

**Board of Education Agenda
Wichita Public Schools - USD 259
September 28, 2009 - 6 p.m.
Wichita High School North Lecture Hall
1437 Rochester - Wichita KS**



The work of Wichita Public Schools is to empower all students with the 21st century skills and knowledge necessary for success by providing a coherent, rigorous, safe and nurturing, culturally responsive, and inclusive learning community.

I. Roll Call

- A. Moment of Silence
- B. Pledge of Allegiance – Wilbur Middle School Leadership Cadets

II. Reports

- A. Report – Good News
 - 1. Recognition of 2010 National Merit Semi-Finalists: John Camenzind, Divya Chivukula, Laura Combs, Antonia Davidson, Ruth Ebersole, Katherine LaVoie, Jonathan Lewallen, Kim Truong, Jack Welch, Nivanthika Wimalasena and Sara Yun, East High School; and Adam Cameron, North High School.
Contact(s): Denise Wren, Jim Flax
 - 2. Teen Heroes
Contact(s): Buddy Shannon, LaShonda Porter
 - 3. WPS-TV: Community Outreach TV Programs
Contact(s): Wendy Johnson
- B. Report – United Teachers of Wichita
- C. Report – Service Employees International

III. Public Communications

Speakers may register by calling the Clerk of the Board's office at 973-4553 by noon on the day of the meeting. Speakers may also register at the BOE meeting site, prior to the beginning of the meeting. A nonmember may address the Board on non-agenda items for up to 3 minutes during Public Communications. This section of the meeting will be limited to the first 10 speakers who register. Nonmembers who wish to speak on an item that is on the BOE Agenda may choose to speak for up to 3 minutes during Public Communications, or they may speak for up to 3 minutes at the time the item is considered on the agenda. Speakers should provide 12 copies of any handouts to the Clerk of the Board's table for distribution at the Board table.

- 1. Cindy Loepf, 802 N. Elder, Wichita 67212. Topic: Health insurance for part-time paraprofessionals.

IV. Consent

A. Human Resources

1. Human Resources Report

Appendix 1

Contact(s): Mary Whiteside

Purpose: Report.

Recommendation: Board approval.

B. Finance – None submitted.

C. Bids

1. Purchasing Consent

Appendix 2

Purpose: Report.

Recommendation: Board approval.

Summary

Description of products/services	Amount	Responsible Party
1. Front Wheel Drive Assisted Tractor with Attachment	\$38,600.00	Dave Johnson
2. Copier Paper	\$125,875.20	Darren Muci
3. Surface Mount Cafeteria Tables	\$36,988.00	Dave Johnson
4. Bulk Carpet	\$109,120.00	Darren Muci
5. McAfee Software Maintenance & Support	\$221,100.00	Cathy Barbieri
6. Ionwave Enterprise Sourcing Suite Annual Support	\$35,000.00	Darren Muci

D. Bond Consent

1. Purchase of 211 & 221 S. Exposition

Contact(s): Joe Hoover, Dave Johnson

Funding Source: Capital Outlay

2009-10 Budgeted Item

Strategy 8: Upgrade and maintain district facilities.

Purpose: The Capital Outlay Fund includes monies for property purchases. This purchase of the house at 211 S. Exposition and the vacant lot at 221 S. Exposition will allow future use of these properties by Allison Traditional Magnet. The present owners, Jose and Maria Blanco, have agreed to an offer to purchase these properties for \$102,500 plus closing costs of approximately \$2,500.

Recommendation: It is recommended that the Board approve the purchase of the properties at 211 & 221 S. Exposition from Jose and Maria Blanco for \$102,500 plus closing costs of approximately \$2,500, subject to a purchase agreement approved by Board counsel and subject to district approval of a Phase I inspection of the property.

E. Programs/Grants

1. ESOL Endorsement Program

Appendix 3

Contact(s): Denise Seguine, Karen Boettcher

Funding Source: Title III/General Fund

2009-10 Budgeted Item

Strategy 2: Recruit, develop, support and retain a high-quality, diverse teaching, administrative, and support staff.

Purpose: To assist in the process of providing quality teachers for ESOL students, the USD 259 ESOL Instructional Services Department enters into an agreement with Wichita State University, Kansas State University, Newman University, and Pittsburgh State University to provide ESOL endorsement classes for teachers through fall 2009, spring 2010, and summer 2010. This program is available to all teachers who work directly with ESOL populations. Currently, the program is serving 457 teachers who have approved plans of study.

Recommendation: It is recommended that the Board authorize the ESOL Instructional Services Department funds to cover the agreement with Wichita State University, Kansas State University, Newman University, and Pittsburgh State University to provide endorsement classes in the area of English as a Second Language during the fall, spring, and summer semesters of the 2009-10 school year in an amount not to exceed \$450,000.

2. The Opportunity Project Charitable Trust (TOP) and USD 259 Partnership [Appendix 4](#)

Contact(s): Denise Seguine, Susanne Smith, Sue Farag, Connie Powell

Funding Source: Four Year Old Grant Funds

2009-10 Budgeted Item

Strategy 1: Deliver an aligned curriculum.

Strategy 3: Provide educational programs that promote life-long learning.

Strategy 5: Build & maintain strong relationships with parents, families, the community & businesses.

Purpose: The purpose of this item is to continue the contract and partnership between The Opportunity Project (TOP) School-North Charitable Foundation by Barry L. Downing as Trustee and USD 259. This agreement will provide continuation for the compensation for the 2009-10 school year for 72 half-time students.

Recommendation: It is recommended that the Board approve the continuation of the existing agreement between The Opportunity Project (TOP) and USD 259 for the 2009-10 school year.

The said Charitable Foundation will provide an educational, structured environment for up to 72 half-time students for this academic operating year as stipulated in Addendum No. 3 to the agreed five-year contract (September 1, 2006-June 30, 2011) between both parties. Total funds transferred this year will not exceed \$150,000.

F. Miscellaneous

1. BOE Meeting Minutes for September 14, 2009

Appendix 5

Contact(s): Mike Willome

Purpose: The BOE Meeting Minutes for [September 14, 2009](#) are attached in the Appendix. In addition, the BOE Minutes for [August 11, 2008](#) are attached with a correction to the motion for BOE Policy 0200 as listed in the policy item below.

Recommendation: Board approval.

2. Proposed Policy Revisions

Appendix 6

Purpose: As permitted by BOE Policy 0150 – Functions of the Board, this consent item includes minor policy revisions and/or revisions to existing policy as a result of federal, state, or local law or regulation.

Recommendation: Board approval.

Summary

Policy	Title	Person Responsible
0200	BOE Agendas and Meetings [Correction of August 2008 policy revision – AIP 3d.]	Mike Willome

3. Allison Traditional Magnet School Structural Evaluation and Relocation Expense

Contact(s): Julie Hedrick, Shannon Krysl

Funding Source: 47 Fund – Self-Funded Insurance Reserve Fund

Non-Budgeted Item

Strategy 8: Upgrade and maintain district facilities.

Purpose: After structural concerns were discovered at Hamilton Middle School that resulted from the 2002-03 renovation, it was decided to have the district's structural consultant also check Allison Middle School since its original building was built at approximately the same time as Hamilton, and Allison's renovation project was similar to that at Hamilton. The consultant has recommended remediation work at Allison. Any specified restoration work will be bid at a later date.

Recommendation: It is recommended that the Board approve an amount not to exceed \$250,000 for the extra expense to relocate classrooms, conduct temporary repairs, and inspect the structural damage at the Allison Middle School.

4. Catholic Diocese of Wichita

Appendix 7

Contact(s): Denise Seguine, Neil Guthrie, Liz McGinness

Funding Source: Special Education

2009-10 Budgeted Item

Strategy 3: Provide educational programs that promote life-long learning.

Strategy 5: Build & maintain strong relationships with parents, families, the community & businesses.

Purpose: In order to comply with the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act and with the state guidelines, K.S.A. 72-961, for mandated services, USD 259 proposes to enter into a contractual agreement with Catholic Diocese of Wichita. This agreement runs from July 1, 2009 to June 30, 2010, for the provision of special education services under an Individualized Education Plan or Individualized Services Plan. The amounts expended must represent a proportional share of the Federal dollars received by the district under IDEA. Current individual student contracts indicate a need to allocate \$30,000 to be funded by Special Education. Appendix 7 provides a description of this agency's services.

Recommendation: It is recommended that the Board authorize the district to enter into an agreement with Catholic Diocese of Wichita during the 2009-10 school year to provide special education services, not to exceed \$30,000 to be funded by Special Education.

5. Medical Staffing Network, Inc.

Contact(s): Denise Seguine, Neil Guthrie, Kathy Hubka

Funding Source: Special Education

2009-10 Budgeted Item

Strategy 4: Have safe, positive, disciplined, and drug-free schools.

Strategy 5: Build & maintain strong relationships with parents, families, the community & businesses.

Purpose: In order to comply with the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act and with the state guidelines, K.S.A. 72-961, for mandated services, USD 259 proposes to enter into a contractual agreement with Medical Staffing Network, Inc. to provide private duty nursing services to students and special education related services for the 2009-10 school year. This contract would also make provisions for the substitute coverage of the district's physical therapists and occupational therapists who may be on medical leave of absence during the 2009-10 school year. The contract runs from July 1, 2009 to June 30, 2010, at a cost not to exceed \$330,000, to be funded by Special Education. Appendix 7 provides a description of this agency's services.

Recommendation: It is recommended the Board authorize the district to enter into an agreement with Medical Staffing Network, Inc. during the 2009-10 school year to provide nursing and special education related services, at a cost not to exceed \$330,000, to be funded by Special Education.

6. Nursefinders

Contact(s): Denise Seguine, Neil Guthrie, Frieda Noller

Funding Source: Special Education

2009-10 Budgeted Item

Strategy 3: Provide educational programs that promote life-long learning.

Strategy 5: Build & maintain strong relationships with parents, families, the community & businesses.

Purpose: In order to comply with the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act and with the state guidelines, K.S.A. 72-961, for mandated services, USD 259 proposes to enter into a contractual agreement with Nursefinders to provide Health Services as a Special Education Related Service for students who cannot be transported safely without the support of nursing services. This is a required service for selected students. The amount is not to exceed \$313,320. This contract runs from July 1, 2009 to June 30, 2010.

[Appendix 7](#) provides a description of this agency's services.

Recommendation: It is recommended that the Board authorize the district to enter into an agreement with Nursefinders during the 2009-10 school year to provide special education Health Services, not to exceed a cost of \$313,320 to be funded by Special Education.

7. Interactive Special Education, LLC. (ISE)

Contact(s): Denise Seguine, Neil Guthrie, Bryan Wilson

Funding Source: Special Education

2009-10 Budgeted Item

Strategy 3: Provide educational programs that promote life-long learning.

Strategy 5: Build & maintain strong relationships with parents, families, the community & businesses.

Purpose: In order to comply with the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act and with the state guidelines, K.S.A. 72-961, for mandated services, USD 259 proposes to enter into a contractual agreement with Interactive Special Education to provide specialized Web-based curriculum focused on social and life skills, along with a work study component that includes Community Based Instruction for one hundred and forty (140) students at the high school setting for a maximum licensure contract cost of no more than \$28,000 to be funded by Special Education. This contract will run from September 30, 2009 until June 30, 2010. [Appendix 7](#) provides a description of this agency's services.

Recommendation: It is recommended that the Board authorize the district to enter into an agreement with Interactive Special Education, L.L.C., during the 2009-10 school year to provide specialized web-based and community based instruction for up to 140 students, not to exceed a cost of \$28,000 to be funded by Special Education.

V. Education – None submitted.

VI. Bond – None submitted.

VII. Policy

- A. First Review: Revisions to BOE Policy 1373 –
Establishing School Attendance Areas

Appendix 8

Contact(s): Darren Muci, Martin Libhart, John Allison, Kim Burkhalter, Tom Powell

Funding Source: NA

Non-Budgeted Item

Strategy 5: Build & maintain strong relationships with parents, families, the community & businesses.
Strategy 7: Design and implement a plan that lifts the burden of desegregation from any one segment of our community, removes the effects of racial isolation, and increases programs of choice.

Purpose: The Administration will present recommendations for changes to BOE Policy 1373 – Establishing School Attendance Areas for “first read” consideration by the Board.

Recommendation: It is recommended that the Board review the suggested changes and provide comment to the Administration.

- B. First Review: Revisions to BOE Policy 3310 –
Cellular and Wireless Telephones and Communication Devices for Employees

Appendix 9

Contact(s): Linda Jones

Funding Source: Various

2009-10 Budgeted Item

Strategy 9: Ensure sound financial stewardship throughout the system.

Purpose: During 2009-10 budget development, staff identified a cost savings of one position by implementation of a cell phone allowance in lieu of directly purchasing and paying monthly cell phone bills.

Recommendation: This is the Board’s first review of proposed revisions of BOE Policy 3310, and provides an opportunity for discussion.

VIII. Operations

A. Consultant Services – Community Demographic Research

Appendix 10

Contact(s): Darren Muci, Martin Libhart, Kim Burkhalter

Funding Source: General Fund

Non-Budgeted Item

Strategy 3: Provide educational programs that promote life-long learning.

Strategy 5: Build & maintain strong relationships with parents, families, the community & businesses.

Strategy 7: Design and implement a plan that lifts the burden of desegregation from any one segment of our community, removes the effects of racial isolation, and increases programs of choice.

Purpose: The Administration desires to contract with a consultant/research firm to complete a comprehensive demographic study of our community and schools. The study will include an Enrollment Analysis of several schools, specifically the Heights, North, Southeast, and East High feeder systems, and other middle schools and elementary schools; a demographic analysis for the neighborhoods surrounding the schools; and a boundary analysis for up to four high school feeder areas. Having this analysis will provide us with an unbiased, third-party perspective of our community so that we can make data-driven decisions for boundary changes.

Recommendation: It is recommended that the Board authorize the Administration to enter into a contract with RSP Associates (Olathe, KS) to complete phased, student and community demographic analyses of the Heights High, North High, Southeast High, and East High feeder areas, and study specific additional middle school and elementary school boundary areas, for an estimated amount of \$125,000, which includes a contingency amount in the event that services beyond the \$117,439 delineated in Appendix 10 are necessary.

IX. Finance – None submitted.

X. Miscellaneous

- A. Superintendent's Report
- B. Board of Education Report/Requests
- C. New Business
- D. Executive Session

A motion should be adopted that the Board of Education recess forthwith into Executive Session regarding:

- 1. Consultation with an attorney which would be deemed privileged in attorney-client relationship;
- 2. Matters relating to employer-employee negotiations;

The open meeting will resume at approximately _____ in this room.

- E. Reconvene
- F. Adjournment