

**Board of Education Agenda  
Wichita Public Schools - USD 259  
January 25, 2010 - 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 – In memory of George Fahnstock, Wichita business and civic leader, long-time supporter of the Wichita Public Schools, and spokesperson for the 2008 bond issue.
- B. Pledge of Allegiance – Marshall Middle School Leadership Cadets

**II. Reports**

- A. Report – Good News
  - 1. High School Students Exhibit for Final Friday Art Crawl on January 29, 2010. Maytanee Chanthalangsy, Sydney Kester, Briana Martinez, Elizabeth Martin, Angelica Blair, Bely Dang, representing Wichita South, Wichita North, and Goddard High Schools. Denise Quinones and Robert Simon, Safe & Drug Free Schools. Contact(s): Debbie McKenna
  - 2. Recognition: Eryn Elder, South High School English Teacher, 2010 Horizon Award. Contact(s): Denise Wren, Wendy Johnson
  - 3. Recognition of Teachers Achieving National Board Certification. The following seven employees have recently earned the profession's top honor of National Board Certification from the National Board of Professional Teaching Standards: Erin Compton, Data Leader, Heights High School; Donna Cook-Lujano, Mathematics, Pleasant Valley Middle School; Claudia Griffith, Counselor, Curtis Middle School; Kathleen O'Keefe, ESOL, Pleasant Valley Middle School; Regina Schutt, Instructional Coach, Stanley Elementary; Jennifer Sissell, Spanish, Northwest High School; Melinda Vicin, Assistant Principal, Cloud Elementary. Contact(s): Shelly Martin
- 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.

### IV. Consent

#### A. Human Resources

1. Human Resources Report  
Contact(s): Mary Whiteside

Appendix 1

Purpose: Report.

Recommendation: Board approval.

2. Teacher Insight Assessment

Contact(s): Mary Whiteside

Funding Source: General Fund

2009-10 Budgeted Item

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

Purpose: The Gallup Teacher Insight tool will be used by the district in the recruitment, interviewing and selection process of district certified teachers. Gallup will provide consulting around implementation and ongoing usage of Teacher Insight.

Recommendation: It is recommended that the Board authorize the district to enter into a Statement of Work with the Gallup Organization, in an amount not to exceed \$47,575. The Gallup Organization will provide and maintain all hardware, software, programming, and research for the Teacher Insight interview tool, to be used as part of the mandatory interview process for certified teachers. All the terms and conditions of the Master Consulting Services Agreement and the Addendum shall remain in full force and effect. Teacher applicants will go through the designated Web site and respond to the Teacher Insight assessment as part of the mandatory measurement used in selecting certified teachers for the district. Gallup also agrees to provide one Teacher Insight Seminar.

3. Principal Insight Assessment

Contact(s): Mary Whiteside  
 Funding Source: General Fund  
 2009-10 Budgeted Item

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

Purpose: The Gallup Principal Insight tool will be used by the district in the recruitment, interviewing and selection process of district administrators. Gallup will provide ongoing consulting, research and system validation of Principal Insight.

Recommendation: It is recommended that the Board authorize the district to enter into a Statement of Work with the Gallup Organization, in an amount not to exceed \$12,330. The Gallup Organization will provide and maintain all hardware, software, programming, and research for the Principal Insight interview tool, to be used as part of the mandatory interview process for administrators. All the terms and conditions of the Master Consulting Services Agreement and Addendum A shall remain in full force and effect. Administrative applicants will go through the designated Web site and respond to the Principal Insight assessment as part of the mandatory measurement used in selecting administrators for the district.

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. High Speed Copier Lease-Contract Renewal	\$362,340.00	Darren Muci
2. Footprints Software Annual Maintenance and Support	\$22,543.20	Cathy Barbieri
3. Fuel Report-October, November, December 2009	\$814,468.74	Darren Muci

2. Bleacher Replacement: Allison and Marshall Middle Schools

Appendix 3

Contact(s): Dave Johnson, Julie Hedrick  
 Funding Source: CIP #0910-1257  
 2009-10 Budgeted Item  
 Strategy 8: Upgrade and maintain district facilities.

Purpose: The 2009-10 Capital Outlay Fund includes monies for bleacher replacement at various district sites. On January 12, 2010, bids were received according to drawings and specifications prepared for Allison and Marshall Middle Schools. The low base bid was submitted by Interkal, LLC in the amount of \$54,757.

Recommendation: It is recommended that the Board enter into a contract with Interkal, LLC for a total contract sum of \$64,757, which includes the above base bid and a contingency amount of \$10,000 for bleacher replacement at Allison and Marshall Middle Schools.

Base Bid	\$54,757.00
Contingency	10,000.00
Total	64,757.00

3. Mechanical and Electrical Upgrades: Longfellow Elementary School Appendix 4

Contact(s): Dave Johnson, Julie Hedrick

Funding Source: CIP #0910-1214

2009-10 Budgeted Item

Strategy 8: Upgrade and maintain district facilities.

Purpose: The 2009-10 Capital Outlay Fund includes monies for mechanical and electrical at Longfellow Elementary School. On January 12, 2010, bids were received according to drawings and specifications prepared. The low base bid was submitted by Descon, Inc., in the amount of \$393,000.

Recommendation: It is recommended that the Board enter into a contract with Descon, Inc., for a total contract sum of \$408,000, which includes the above base bid and a contingency amount of \$15,000 for mechanical and electrical upgrades at Longfellow Elementary School.

Base Bid	\$393,000.00
Contingency	15,000.00
Total	\$408,000.00

#### D. Bond Consent

##### 1. Bond Resolution: Sale of Second Series of General Obligation Bonds [Appendix 5](#)

Contact(s): Martin Libhart, Tom Powell, Linda Jones

Funding Source: Bond and Interest Fund

2008-09 Budgeted Item

Strategy 8: Upgrade and maintain district facilities.

Strategy 9: Ensure sound financial stewardship throughout the system.

Purpose: 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:

- 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.

The Board of Education has previously adopted Resolution No. 2009-1, which authorized proceeding with the issuance of its general obligation bonds in an amount not to exceed \$220,000,000 principal amount in order to permanently finance a portion of the costs of such school building improvements so authorized (the "Improvements") and also authorized general obligation bonds in a principal amount of not to exceed \$8,000,000 principal amount to refund previously issued general obligation bonds of the district.

Tonight's agenda item provides for the adoption of Bond Resolution 2010-2. The Resolution authorizes the offering of the sale of \$150,000,000 in Bonds, in one or more series, consisting of a combination of traditional tax-exempt governmental purpose bonds, Build America Bonds, and Qualified School Construction Bonds (QSCBs). The offering for the sale of the Bonds, the repayment terms of the Bonds and the combination of traditional tax-exempt bonds, Build America Bonds, and QSCBs shall be determined by the Superintendent. The Resolution also authorizes the sale of not to exceed \$19,000,000 of General Obligation Refunding Bonds. The amount of the General Obligation Refunding Bonds to be sold will be determined by the Superintendent.

Recommendation: It is recommended the Board approve the adoption of Resolution 2010-2, which authorizes the offering for sale of \$150,000,000 in Bonds, in one or more series, consisting of a combination of traditional tax-exempt governmental purpose bonds, Build America Bonds, and Qualified School Construction Bonds (QSCBs), and authorize the sale of not to exceed \$19,000,000 of refunding bonds.

The Purchaser is hereby authorized to proceed with the offering for sale of the Bonds, in one or more series, consisting of a combination of traditional tax-exempt governmental purpose bonds, Build America Bonds and QSCBs. The offering for sale of the Bonds, the pricing of such Bonds, the structuring of the repayment terms of the Bonds, and the combination of traditional tax-exempt, Build America Bonds, and QSCBs shall be determined by the district's Superintendent.

Resolution 2010-2 is provided in [Appendix 5](#).

2. Exterior Restoration: Various Sites

Appendix 6

Contact(s): Dave Johnson, Julie Hedrick  
Funding Source: CIP #0910-1207, #0910-1244, and 0910-1245  
2009-10 Budgeted Item  
Strategy 8: Upgrade and maintain district facilities.

Purpose: The 2009-10 Capital Outlay Fund includes monies to support the 2008 Bond Issue. Exterior restoration at Jefferson Elementary was identified in the 2008 Bond Plan to be provided by Capital Outlay funding. In addition, the '09-10' Capital Outlay Fund includes money for exterior restoration at various sites. On January 12, 2010, bids were received according to drawings and specifications. The low base bid was submitted by Mid-Continental Restoration in the amount of \$335,868 for Jefferson and Park Elementary Schools and Northeast Magnet High School.

Recommendation: It is recommended that the Board enter into a contract with Mid-Continental Restoration for a total contract sum of \$355,868, which includes the above base bid and a contingency amount of \$20,000 for exterior restoration at Jefferson and Park Elementary Schools and Northeast Magnet High School.

Base Bid           \$335,868.00  
Contingency        20,000.00  
Total                \$355,868.00

E. Programs/Grants – None submitted.

F. Miscellaneous

1. BOE Meeting Minutes for [January 11, 2010](#)

Appendix 7

Contact(s): Mike Willome

Purpose: The BOE Meeting Minutes for [January 11, 2010](#) are attached in the Appendix.

Recommendation: Board approval.

2. Proposed Policy Revisions

Appendix 8

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	Board of Education Agendas and Meetings	Mike Willome

3. Consultant Review Services – Council of Great City Schools

Appendix 9

Contact(s): Darren Muci

Funding Source: Supplemental General Fund

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.

Strategy 9: Ensure sound financial stewardship throughout the system.

Purpose: The purpose of this item is to approve payment to the Council of Great City Schools (CGCS) for a two-part review of the district's Transportation department in July and October 2009.

Recommendation: It is recommended that the Board approve payment in the amount of \$21,061.00 to the Council of Great City Schools (CGCS) for a two-part, on-site consultant review of the district's Transportation department conducted in July and October 2009.

4. Mold Remediation Services Contract Change Order (RFQ#09-70236)

Contact(s): Tim Phares

Funding Source: Capital Outlay

2009-10 Budgeted Item

Strategy 8: Upgrade and maintain district facilities.

Purpose: The Wichita Public Schools periodically requires removal of mold and mold containing materials from school buildings in order to support various maintenance activities. The Administration requested bids (RFQ #09-70236) from approved mold removal contractors to perform mold remediation activities under a service contract with the Board of Education.

The Board of Education authorized a contract in the amount of \$50,000 with National Catastrophe Restoration, Inc. (NCRI) for mold remediation and clean-up services on May 11, 2009. At this time, district Administration is recommending that the Board of Education approve a contract change order (contract change order #1) with NCRI for mold remediation services for the 2009-10 school year. It is estimated that an additional \$25,000 will be expended for mold removal and clean-up during the current school year.

Recommendation: It is recommended that the Board authorize a contract change order (contract change order #1) with NCRI in the amount of \$25,000 for the 2009-2010 school year for mold remediation and clean-up services. The total contract amount with this change order will be \$75,000.

5. School Service Center Remediation Project - Off-Site Direct-Push Groundwater Investigation

Contact(s): Tim Phares

Funding Source: Special Liability Expense Fund

2009-10 Budgeted Item

Strategy 8: Upgrade and maintain district facilities.

Purpose: Investigations performed by the Kansas Department of Health and Environment and others on the School Service Center property and on property located geographically southwest off-site of the School Service Center property, in an area commonly referred to as the 29<sup>th</sup> and Mead Superfund Site (now part of the Northeast Industrial Corridor site), indicate the presence of chlorinated volatile organic compounds (VOCs) in the groundwater. As a result of that contamination, the Kansas Department of Health and Environment (KDHE) and Unified School District No. 259 entered into a Consent Order (Case No. 92-E-121) to perform a Remedial Investigation (RI) at the USD #259 School Service Center, in accordance with Board of Education approval on February 22, 1993. The Board of Education amended the Consent Order on May 13, 2002 to include a Feasibility Study (FS) for the School Service Center Property.

The Remedial Investigation Report was completed in October 2008 and approved by KDHE. Currently, the district is required under the Consent Order to conduct semi-annual monitoring of the School Service Center site. In addition, the district is conducting an interim remedial measure (IRM) to provide data for the on-going Feasibility Study.

Results of the west edge direct-push groundwater investigation which was performed in October 2006, indicated that the (pollution) plume centerline was located further south, and that chemical substances had migrated farther downgradient than previously interpreted. As a result, KDHE requested that, "USD 259 fully delineate the downgradient extent of the plume."

The district's environmental consultant, Golder Associates, developed a work plan to address KDHE's request and assess the downgradient extent of contaminants on properties west of the School Service Center site. The work plan will involve the collection of soil and groundwater samples via direct push temporary borings/wells at six locations west of the site on the commercial properties north of 37<sup>th</sup> Street and Hydraulic Avenue, pending access agreements with off-site property owners. The cost to conduct the off-site direct-push groundwater investigation discussed herein is projected to be \$16,500.00 for this project.

Recommendation: It is recommended that the Board retain the services of Golder Associates, Inc. to conduct the off-site direct-push groundwater investigation for the School Service Center site. The total authorized district expenditure for this project will be \$16,500, which includes funds for project management expenses.

## V. Education

### A. Implementation Update: Elementary *Everyday Mathematics* Program Appendix 10

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

Funding Source: NA

Non-Budgeted Item

Strategy 1: Deliver an aligned curriculum.

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

Purpose: The purpose of this presentation is to update the implementation of the *Everyday Mathematics* program that began in the fall of the 2009-2010 school year.

Recommendation: No action is necessary. This item is for the Board's information and conversation only.

## VI. Bond

### A. Bond Issue Plan Management Report

Contact(s): Martin Libhart

Funding Source: Bond Funds

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

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.

Strategy 8: Upgrade and maintain district facilities.

Strategy 9: Ensure sound financial stewardship throughout the system.

Purpose: Representatives of Schaefer Johnson Cox Frey Architecture, the plan managers for the 2008 Bond Issue, will provide a quarterly report concerning progress on implementation of the bond issue plan.

Recommendation: This item is presented as information for the Board.

## VII. Policy

### A. Second Review: New BOE Policy 1407– Commercial Advertising Appendix 11

Contact(s): Darren Muci, Denise Wren, Wendy Johnson, Melany Barnes, Tom Powell

Funding Source: NA

Non-Budgeted Item

Strategy 1: Deliver an aligned curriculum.

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

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

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

Purpose: The Administration will present recommendations for a new BOE Policy 1407 – Commercial Advertising for second review by the Board. The Board first reviewed the policy on January 11, 2010, and resulting from the discussion, minor revisions now clarify AIP 9.

Recommendation: It is recommended the Board approve new BOE Policy 1407 – Commercial Advertising.

B. Second Review: Revisions to BOE Policy 5506 - Non-Resident Enrollment and Admission [Appendix 12](#)

Contact(s): Kathy Busch

Funding Source: NA

2009-10 Budgeted Item

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

Purpose: Administration is proposing revisions to AIP 3 of BOE Policy 5506. This AIP addresses the application of non-resident students to attend magnet schools in USD 259. The Board had its first review of P5506 on November 23, 2009, and requested additional information on enrollment and admissions prior to the second review.

Recommendation: It is recommended the Board approve proposed revisions to BOE Policy 5506 – Non-Resident Enrollment and Admission.

## VIII. Operations

A. Student Transportation Services [Appendix 13](#)

Contact(s): Darren Muci (Martin Libhart, Neil Guthrie)

Funding Source: Multiple (supplemental general, special education, Title, Athletics, Activity Funds, PTO/PTA, Homeless, other funds sources as warranted)

2010-11 Budgeted Item

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

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

Strategy 9: Ensure sound financial stewardship throughout the system.

Purpose: This item provides for the identification of a Student Transportation Services provider for a new contract beginning with the 2010-2011 school year.

Recommendation: It is recommended that the district contract with FirstGroup America, Inc., dba First Student, Inc., for student transportation services beginning with the 2010-2011 school year for up to seven (7) year term that will be evaluated and reviewed annually and presented to the Board of Education for approval.

It is estimated that up to \$22,000,000 will be expended during the 2010-2011 year for various required and requested student transportation services (e.g., regular education, required special education, ADA-504, Homeless services, No Child Left Behind (NCLB), athletics, fine arts, various shuttle services, and charter and activity bus services, etc.) from various funding sources. This estimated amount is the district's "pre-reimbursed" amount. Approximately 50% (regular education and other) to 80% (special education) of annual, allowable, (i.e., students transported over the statutorily mandated 2.5 miles distance, and special education IEP approved transportation) audited expenditures are reimbursed to the district by the State of Kansas during the school year.

Speaker(s):

1. Robert Hatchett, Senior Vice-President of Customer Care, Durham School Services, 250 W. 53<sup>rd</sup> St. N., Wichita, 67204. Topic: Transportation RFP Award Recommendation.
2. David Duke, Senior Vice-President of Sales, First Student, 600 Vine St., Suite 1400, Cincinnati OH, 45202. Topic: Transportation RFP Award Recommendation.

**IX. Finance**

A. 2010-11 Budget Priorities

Contact(s): John Allison, Linda Jones, Ronda Goode

Funding Source: all funds

2010-11 Budgeted Item

Strategy 9: Ensure sound financial stewardship throughout the system.

Purpose: At this time we would like the Board to authorize the use of a budgetary process with increased community involvement, whereby a prioritized listing of budget decreases will be developed and presented to the Board. Administration also requests the Board provide direction on district funding priorities for 2010-11.

Recommendation: It is recommended that the Board authorize a budget process which includes increased community involvement and communicate general funding priorities for 2010-11 to Administration.

**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:

[None requested to date.](#)

The open meeting will resume at approximately \_\_\_\_\_ in this room.

E. Reconvene

F. Adjournment