

# Board of Education Agenda

## UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT 511

Date: March 9, 2026

Time: 6:00 pm

BOARDROOM - 718 N. MAIN ATTICA, KS 67009

### Regular Board of Education Meeting

The board of education met in regular session on Monday, March 9 and was called to order by President Lynda Newberry at 6:00 pm. Members in attendance were Christy Mans, Roger Goodman, Brett Traffas, Kristine Casper, Megan McDaniel, and Ryan Stone. Also in attendance were Superintendent Daryl Daugaard, Clerk of the Board Mandy Traffas, Principal Wyatt Williams, AD Scotty McCartney, Jack Deviney and Kaitlin Tatro.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all in attendance.

Transportation/Maintenance - Jack gave an update on a few maintenance projects being finished up from the KDOL audit. The new car is still awaiting a few parts to be back in service after the deer hit. Mowing season will resume this week, and post spring break, the trips/activities get very busy until the end of the year. A discussion was held on the repair of the little Ford tractor and whether or not it was worth the cost to repair it, or if we should replace it.

Jack Deviney left the meeting at 6:04 pm.

Athletic Department - Scotty gave an update on the recent HOPL league meeting that resulted in a passing vote to charge \$5 admission for adults into junior high games. The second required vote at the next meeting will take place, and then it can be implemented into the league constitution. They are still working on the new junior high basketball schedules with the pre-season tournament change, but junior high volleyball tris/quads will be played on Mondays officially and no longer on Thursdays alongside football. The high school basketball schedule will be finalized soon as well. The smaller weighted dumbbells were ordered and arrived. Photos of the scoreboards were sent to Fairplay for a quote on the shot clock, but no response since that time. Still needs to get with Daktronic on the football field play clock and high school gym shot clock prices.

A small discussion was held on where we are on the plans for the new formats of 8th grade promotion and academic portion of the high school banquet, since the changed days/times were decided on last year.

The senior class sponsors will be holding a meeting tomorrow evening for seniors and parents that plan to attend the trip. Waivers/releases will be passed out and all forms will have to be signed before students can go on the trip.

Scotty McCartney left the meeting at 6:14 pm.

Specialist Position - Kaitlin Tatro presented information regarding a potential new position addition to our staff and what the scope of that role would be.

Kaitlin Tatro left the meeting at 6:56 pm.

Something Good - Items included a congratulations to the basketball teams on a good end to their seasons and a great job to our students who participated in the recent Wizard of Oz play at the Anthony Theatre. Nate, our welding instructor, recently had 3 kids place at a welding competition.

Amend/Adopt Agenda - Goodman motioned and Traffas seconded to adopt the agenda. 7-0, motion carried.

Approve Consent Agenda - Review of cash summaries, checks, and the previous minutes. McDaniel motioned and Casper seconded to approve the consent agenda. 7-0, motion carried.

Special Education - Nothing new to report.

Curriculum - Nothing new to report since last meeting.

Technology - Nothing new to report.

Summer Recreation/Wellness Center - Will be meeting on batting cage updates tomorrow and getting those updates started.

PDC Meeting - Had a meeting last week and would like to get feedback from staff to ensure we have meaningful PD set up for next year.

SITE Council Meeting - Have not met since the fall. New members are desperately needed on the council. Will reach out to other districts to see who/how SITE Council works within their schools to get some ideas as well as try to recruit new members. Will be setting up a meeting for April.

District Leadership Team (DLT) - Met last week and are continuing to work on same KESA goals as we had in place last year.

Cell Phones - The "bell to bell, no cell" bill is still in the House. A lengthy discussion was held on this matter. The results from the survey that was sent to staff and parents were reviewed, which further supported the continued move in the no cell phone policy direction. It was decided the pouches are not an option they want to pursue. Will reach out to other schools that have recently implemented this to see how they are handling device storage, as well as a copy of their policy. Will revisit again next month with more information and further progress on the bill is known.

Senior Trip - Itinerary reviewed.

KASB Fees - Traffas motioned and Mans seconded to approve KASB services for next school year with legal services and option 1. 7-0, motion carried.

Staffing Summary - Mr. Dugaard gave an update on some of our staffing positions within the school as we look forward to what's to come for the next year and some potential additions.

Items & Comments by Board Members - After Prom has permission to use a school bus in-county for their event needs. Inquiry as to if class sponsors can have the option to "move up" with their class each year. Feedback on secondary student-led parent-teacher conferences indicates that improvement is needed with those, as they were disappointing and not productive. A question was asked about unplanned menu changes and the causes of those. They can cause issues for parents who pre-plan meals for those students with allergies.

Administrative Reports - Mr. Williams reported on upcoming state testing dates in March and April. He and Corissa are evaluating SchoolsPLP versus Edgenuity for our online and credit recovery course options for next year. All of our Pathways for next year have been submitted, and the master schedule will be released this Friday, with the intent to start pre-enrollment soon after spring break. They are also revamping how advisory is structured for next year. Mr. Daugaard touched on the cell phone bill as well as the new state public bathroom legislation that passed, which directs that all bathrooms and locker/changing rooms are to be for the sex assigned at birth. There was a great turnout, especially in the elementary, at last week's parent/teacher conferences. We will be holding a tornado drill this week and have recently resumed our regular crisis response drills.

#### Executive Sessions

McDaniel motioned and Casper seconded to go into executive session with Mr. Daugaard and Mr. Williams for 10 minutes to discuss personnel matters of non-elected personnel in order to protect the privacy interest of an individual. 7-0, motion carried. Meeting to resume at 8:22 pm. Casper motioned and Traffas seconded to extend the executive session for 10 minutes. 7-0, motion carried. Meeting to resume at 8:33 pm.

Mans motioned and Casper seconded to go into executive session with Mr. Daugaard and Mr. Williams for 30 minutes to discuss personnel matters of non-elected personnel in order to protect the privacy interest of an individual. 7-0, motion carried. Meeting to resume at 9:05 pm.

Specialist Position - McDaniel motioned and Casper seconded to hire Kaitlin Tatro for a specialist position (specific title to be named later) with responsibilities in instructional support and curriculum coordination for the 2026-2027 school year. 7-0, motion carried.

Mans motioned and Traffas seconded to adjourn the meeting. 7-0, motion carried.

Meeting adjourned 9:12 pm.

Mandy Traffas  
Clerk of the Board

