

# Board of Education Minutes

## UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT 511

Date: May 13, 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 Wednesday, May 13, 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, and Megan McDaniel. Member not in attendance was Ryan Stone. Also in attendance were Superintendent Daryl Daugaard, Clerk of the Board Mandy Traffas, Principal Wyatt Williams, and AD Scotty McCartney.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all in attendance.

Athletic Department - Scotty reviewed the estimates submitted for the electrical work needed for the shot clock installation for both gyms and the football field. Still awaiting actual quotes for the shot clock in the high school gym and football scoreboard play clock from Daktronic. The shot clock for the wellness center has been ordered, and SC Telcom has donated \$5000 to that. Passed out and reviewed the mock-up for the replacement goal post upright pads, as well as the cost for those. He is working on getting all the HUDL cameras in place and ready to go for the new year. KSHSAA has some CPR sessions still available this summer for those who attend the KSHSAA Coaching School. Feedback from the banquet was good, duration was more manageable.

Scotty McCartney left the meeting at 6:17 pm.

Something Good - Items included the new format this year of the activities/athletic banquet, which had positive feedback, and the 5K event looked like a success.

Amend/Adopt Agenda - Goodman motioned and McDaniel seconded to adopt the agenda. 6-0, motion carried.

Approve Consent Agenda - Review of cash summaries, checks, and the previous minutes. The activity fund will need to add a line for the Bulldog Buddies Grant. Traffas motioned and Casper seconded to approve the consent agenda. 6-0, motion carried.

Special Education - SCKSEC has hired Allie Blurton as our elementary special education teacher for the upcoming school year.

Curriculum - Reviewed the itemized quote for the selected 5-year, K-5 math curriculum, as well as a requisition for some art equipment needed to teach a pottery class next year.

Technology - Nothing new to report.

Summer Recreation/Wellness Center - Rec ball games will start next week.

Transportation/Maintenance - Distributed a handout from Jack Deviney, which reviewed some of the summer projects that are lined up, as well as some recent maintenance/grounds issues. A few companies submitted bids for the new AC unit that needs to be replaced in the high school office. It was decided to go with the cheaper bid.

PDC Meeting - They had their last meeting today and are looking ahead to next year and gathering input for meaningful PD days.

SITE Council Meeting - The recent breakfast event was successful with a great turnout, and the staff appreciation lunch was enjoyed by staff.

District Leadership Team (DLT) - Nothing new to report.

KASB Policy Updates - 2nd read - Reviewed the updated policies with the few selections updated from last meeting. McDaniel motioned and Traffas seconded to approve IIBGC and JCDC as presented. 6-0, motion carried.

Cell Phone/Personal Electronic Device Update - Review of proposed information that will start going out to parents over the course of the next few months leading up to school starting, regarding the new cell phone and personal electronic device policy. We will also be putting an FAQ document on our website. Review and discussion of the ParentSquare application's features and cost. This application meets the appropriate requirements to keep us in compliance with the latest IIBGC policy revision. It will serve as the district's approved media application for staff to use for student communication regarding school-related matters, outside of school e-mail.

Head HS Volleyball Coach - Jenny Johnston - Traffas motioned and Casper seconded to approve Jenny Johnston as the head high school volleyball coach for the 2026-2027 school year. 6-0, motion carried.

Superintendent Contract - Completed review and discussed in January, but by oversight failed to officially approve the contract. Traffas motioned and Goodman seconded to approve the 2-year contract for Mr. Daugaard. 6-0, motion carried.

Audited Legal Max/KSDE Audit Review - Mandy reviewed the KSDE audit and the audited legal max compared to the preliminary. The KSDE audit was very good with very little change from the preliminary.

Fastbridge Testing & Title I Survey - Year-end Fastbridge scores, state testing scores, and the Title 1 survey that was sent to staff and families were reviewed.

Assistant Maintenance Position - Tabled to the end of the executive sessions.

Hire Summer Help - Mans motioned and McDaniel seconded to approve summer hires on an as-needed basis. 6-0, motion carried.

Elementary Teacher - The recently approved new hire for 1st-grade teacher has resigned from her position. McDaniel motioned and Casper seconded to accept the resignation of Kylea Strohl and accept the hire of Kamile Yarger for 1st grade teacher. 6-0-, motion carried.

Parent/Student Handbook - 1st Read - Reviewed some proposed changes and updates. Will make some changes as suggested and review again next month.

Staff Handbook - 1st read - Reviewed, will make additions as suggested.

Athletic Handbook - 1st read - Reviewed, will make the recommended changes.

Ratification of Negotiated Agreement - Not ready to ratify.

Classified Salary Increase - Not ready to discuss as the negotiated agreement is not yet ratified.

Items & Comments by Board Members - Comments from the board members: With the addition of the maintenance/grounds staff, the board would like to see results and improvements around the property. Discussion held on the importance of having itemized checklists for what is to be done and when, to prevent things from being missed. The football field improvement is a priority. Discussion held on killing the current grass and reseeding it before the season is here, while making sure it is properly maintained thereafter. Discussions were also held on the high school academic awards and class sponsors.

Administrative Reports - Mr. Williams' report: Track season is winding down with league track tomorrow and regionals in Greensburg the following week for those qualifiers. Preliminary football meetings for next year indicate bigger numbers, which will result in a shortage of uniforms. More will be ordered now. Football camp is scheduled for July 6-10. 8th grade will be recognized at the end of the junior high awards ceremony on the morning of the 19th. They will have cake/ice cream after the awards in Miss Hart's room and are having their junior high dance that evening in the cafeteria. Pre-enrollment is continuing with schedules going home for review and signature. SC (formerly SC Telcom) will be coming to present the \$5000 donation check towards our shot clock next week. HCCF May grants awarded were reviewed. There has been some interest and an application for the open coaching positions. Will have more on that at the next board meeting. The proposed Wednesday evening/Sunday and Easter moratoriums all failed at the KSHSAA meeting.

Mr. Daugaard's report: Pepsi has taken their beverage coolers as we no longer order from them for concessions due to the high minimum orders and increased cost. Kara wrote a grant that will cover a large portion of our purchase of 2 new ones, a larger one for the wellness center and a smaller one for the football concession. Preliminary state test scores are out and those were reviewed. Discussed KSDE At-Risk Accountability Plan and how that will look over the course of the next 5 years. Non-resident open enrollment is still open until June 15th, and there have been a few applications come in. Reviewed some upcoming event dates for the end of the year events. There are some funds that may become available next spring for use by our CTE teachers through HCCF/Don Jensen Memorial.

#### Executive Sessions

Negotiations - Traffas motioned and Casper seconded to go into executive session for 10 minutes with Mr. Daugaard and Mr. Williams to discuss matters relating to employer-employee negotiations whether or not in consultation with the board's representative or representatives, in order to protect the district's right

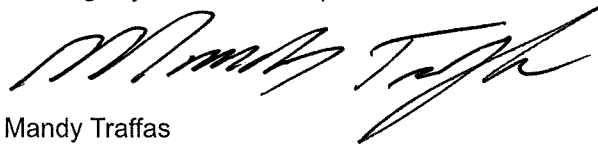
to the confidentiality of its negotiating position, and the public interest. 6-0, motion carried. Meeting to resume at 8:17 pm.

Personnel Matters - Casper motioned and McDaniel seconded to go into executive session for 10 minutes with Mr. Daugaard and Mr. Williams to discuss personnel matters of non-elected personnel in order to protect the privacy interest of an individual. 6-0, motion carried. Meeting to resume at 8:29 pm. Casper motioned and McDaniel seconded to extend the session for 5 minutes. 6-0, motion carried. Meeting to resume at 8:35 pm.

Traffas motioned and Goodman seconded to approve the hire of Jim Osner as assistant grounds/maintenance. 6-0, motion carried.

Casper motioned and Traffas seconded to adjourn the meeting. 6-0, motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 8:39 pm.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Mandy Traffas". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style with a large initial "M".

Mandy Traffas  
Clerk of the Board