



**Monday, October 12, 2026
Regular Meeting**

**** UNOFFICIAL UNTIL APPROVED BY THE BOARD ****

**6:00 PM
Jr/Sr High Bulldog Room**

I. Opening

Members: Tyson Anderson, Liberty Price-Obley, Buster Schmitz, Rose Shelburne, Craig Harries, Tony Duever

Absent: Travis Pralle

Others: Superintendent Darren Schroeder, Clerk Jody Bruna, Administrators Tim Woodcock, Janine Doebele, Sarah Koehler; Jim Miller, Dani Bargman, Tiffany Heyd, Megan Zierlein

Media: Julie Perry

I.A. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 6:00pm.

I.B. Approval of Agenda

Motion to approve the agenda. This motion, made by Buster Schmitz and seconded by Rose Shelburne, Carried.

Yea: 6, Nay: 0, Absent: 1

I.C. Pledge of Allegiance

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

I.D. Vision Statement

I.E. Empty Chair Philosophy

II. Consent Agenda

II.A. Approval of Minutes

II.B. Financial Reports

II.C. Personnel Update

II.D. Checks for Payment Listing

II.E. Food Participation Report-Sept 2026

II.F. Transportation Report-September 2026

II.G. Donations

II.H. Suplus Items

II.I. Approval of Consent Agenda

Motion to approve Consent Agenda items. This motion, made by Craig Harries and seconded by Tyson Anderson, Carried.

Yea: 6, Nay: 0, Absent: 1

III. Public Presentations

III.A. Citizen's Open Forum

No one filed to address the board.

IV. Department Director Reports

IV.A. Maintenance Director

Jim Miller provided the board with an update on the custodial department staff, shared progress on the roofing projects, maintenance schedule for equipment and that they will be needing a new floor scrubber soon.

IV.B. Food Service Director

Dani Bargman shared they are fully staffed in the kitchen, progress is being made with those learning how to bake bread, her summer Iowa conference was very informative and she would like to add more food towers at some point.

V. Building Reports - Focus on Learning

V.A. MES — Sailing to Success

Tiffany Heyd and Megan Zierlein presented information on Tier 3 intervention, the process they use to identify students, how they strive to move students through the Tiers and get them back into the classroom.

Mrs. Doebele shared information from their PLC meetings, their Sailing to Success model and changes they made to better serve students intervention and IEP needs this year.

V.B. Enrollment Report

Mr. Schroeder highlighted the Sept. 21st headcount as per the Principal Building Reports and SO66.

V.C. Parent - Teacher Conference Participation

Mrs. Doebele reported a 98% parent participation rate. Mr. Woodcock reported a 43-70% parent participation rate depending upon grade level. They also held a FAFSA event in the library for senior parents. Both reported good feedback from teachers and parents on the current 1-day format.

V.D. Building and Trades Program

Mr. Schroeder shared that the district received the Patterson Family Grant to assist with the Building and Trades project. The total amount of the award is \$204,970 to be awarded over 2 years. There are currently 92 students enrolled in the Building and Trades classes.

7:27pm – 5 minute recess

V.E. State Assessment Data

Mr. Schroeder reviewed the current ELA and Math skills data; they want kids to be performing at level 3 and 4.

VI. Action Items

VI.A. Out of State Trip Request - Band/Choir

Motion to approve the out of state trip request for the band/choir trip to Branson, MO, in March 2028. This motion, made by Tyson Anderson and seconded by Rose Shelburne, Carried.

Yea: 6, Nay: 0, Absent: 1

VI.B. Strategic Planning Session Date

Mr. Schroeder informed the board it is time to update the district's strategic plan.

Motion to hold a meeting to begin the Strategic Planning process on December 10th at 6:30pm. This motion, made by Craig Harries and seconded by Tyson Anderson, Carried.

Yea: 6, Nay: 0, Absent: 1

VII. Discussion Items

VII.A. Annual Report and Budget Message Booklet

Mr. Schroeder let the board know the booklet shared was a look back at last year and what the district plans for this year.

VII.B. HWY 36 & 11th Street

Mr. Anderson shared an update after their last conversation with KDOT and City administration. The City did post flags on the corner that students can carry to raise their visibility as they cross the street. They have also committed to removing parking from 10th-12th Streets and will install white posts along the area to give students a safe space to step off the curb. The committee is still looking into flashing lights to raise awareness during high traffic times.

VIII. Executive Session

VIII.A. Convene in Executive Session

Motion to go into Executive Session with Darren Schroeder, Tim Woodcock and Jody Bruna to discuss potential litigation with our legal counsel pursuant to the exception for matters which would be deemed privileged in the attorney-client relationship under Kansas Open Meetings Act (KOMA), and the open meeting will resume in this room at 8:10pm. This motion, made by Buster Schmitz and seconded by Liberty Price-Obley, Carried.

Yea: 6, Nay: 0, Absent: 1

Motion to go into Executive Session with Darren Schroeder, Tim Woodcock and Jody Bruna to discuss potential litigation with our legal counsel pursuant to the exception for matters which would be deemed privileged in the attorney-client relationship under Kansas Open Meetings Act (KOMA), and the open meeting will resume in this room at 8:12pm. This motion, made by Tyson Anderson and seconded by Craig Harries, Carried.

Yea: 6, Nay: 0, Absent: 1

Motion to go into executive session with Darren Schroeder to discuss employee performance pursuant to the non-elected personnel exception under Kansas Open Meetings Act (KOMA), and the open meeting will resume in this room at 8:25pm. This motion, made by Buster Schmitz and seconded by Craig Harries, Carried.

Yea: 6, Nay: 0, Absent: 1

Motion to go into executive session with Darren Schroeder to discuss employee performance pursuant to the non-elected personnel exception under Kansas Open Meetings Act (KOMA), and the open meeting will resume in this room at 8:30pm. This motion, made by Buster Schmitz and seconded by Craig Harries, Carried.

Yea: 6, Nay: 0, Absent: 1

VIII.B. Reconvene in Open Session

VIII.C. Action Resulting from Closed Session Discussion

No action was taken.

IX. District Successes

Highlights shared were the elementary preview of the play, the Bulldog mascot's interaction with the kids, JH football team pausing at practice for the national anthem played at the JV game, 30 year class reunion positive feedback, football team and cheerleaders walking through the elementary and private schools, the Abraham Lincoln impersonator at the elementary and how well PT conferences went.

X. Closing

X.A. Announcements

There was discussion about a possible Christmas gathering and the board tour the locker in Washington that is processing a large share of the district's Farm to Plate meat.

X.B. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 8:37pm.