BLUE VALLEY SCHOOLS

Blue Valley Unified School District No. 229

Board of Education Legislative Workshop

Wednesday, October 28, 2026, 4:00pm

High Plains Conference Room, 15020 Metcalf Ave., Overland Park, KS 66223, 15020 Metcalf Ave., Overland Park, KS 66223

A. OPENING ITEMS.

Presented by Board President, Jan Kessinger

1. Call the Special Board of Education meeting to order.

Board President Jan Kessinger called the Special Board of Education Meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.

2. Approve the agenda for the Special Board of Education Meeting.

I move that the Board of Education approve the October 28, 2026, Special Board of Education Meeting agenda as published. This motion, made by Clay Norkey and seconded by Jodie Dietz, Carried.

Dr David Benson:	Yea
Jodie Dietz:	Yea
Dr. Sonya Evans:	Absent
Patrick Hurley:	Absent
Jan Kessinger:	Yea
Gina Knapp:	Yea
Clay Norkey:	Yea

Yea: 5, Nay: 0, Absent: 2

B. AGENDA ITEMS.

1. Legislative Priorities.

Dr. Sonya Evans arrived at 4:03 p.m.

The Board of Education received a review of legislative priorities, including a budget presentation explaining the history of school finance in Kansas.

C. EXECUTIVE SESSION.

Presented by Board President Jan Kessinger

Executive Sessions are conducted in accordance with Kansas law (K.S.A. 75-4319). No binding action shall be taken during an executive session; however, action may be considered when board members return to the open session.

1. Enter into Executive Session.

The Board will consider entering into executive session pursuant to K.S.A. 75-4319(b)(2) for consultation with an attorney for the public body on matters that would be deemed privileged in the attorney-client relationship.

I move that the Board of Education go into executive session with the Superintendent and the Board Attorney pursuant to K.S.A. 75-4319(b)(2) to discuss pending litigation for consultation with an attorney for the public body on matters that would be deemed privileged in the attorney-client relationship for 30 minutes. The Special Meeting will resume in the High Plains Room at 5:34 p.m. This motion, made by Gina Knapp and seconded by Dr David Benson, Carried.

Dr David Benson:	Yea
Jodie Dietz:	Yea
Dr. Sonya Evans:	Yea
Patrick Hurley:	Absent
Jan Kessinger:	Yea
Gina Knapp:	Yea
Clay Norkey:	Yea

Yea: 6, Nay: 0, Absent: 1

I move that the Board of Education extend the executive session by 15 minutes and resume the open meeting in the High Plains Room at 5:44 p.m. This motion, made by Jodie Dietz and seconded by Clay Norkey, Carried.

Dr David Benson:	Yea
Jodie Dietz:	Yea
Dr. Sonya Evans:	Yea
Patrick Hurley:	Absent

Jan Kessinger:	Yea
Gina Knapp:	Yea
Clay Norkey:	Yea

Yea: 6, Nay: 0, Absent: 1

I move that the Board of Education extend the executive session by 15 minutes and resume the open meeting in the High Plains Room at 5:59 p.m. This motion, made by Dr David Benson and seconded by Jodie Dietz, Carried.

Dr David Benson:	Yea
Jodie Dietz:	Yea
Dr. Sonya Evans:	Yea
Patrick Hurley:	Absent
Jan Kessinger:	Yea
Gina Knapp:	Yea
Clay Norkey:	Yea

Yea: 6, Nay: 0, Absent: 1

The Board of Education resumed the open meeting at 6:00 p.m.

D. CLOSING ITEMS.

1. Adjournment.

Board President adjourned the October 28, 2026, Special Board of Education Meeting at 6:00 p.m.