

UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 467
WICHITA COUNTY
LEOTI, KANSAS

Meeting Time and Place

1. The Board of Education of Unified School District #467, Wichita County, Kansas met in regular session at 7:00 p.m., Monday, July 13, 2026 at the Board of Education office in Leoti, Kansas.

People Present

2. Members present were: Maegan Berry, Adam Marcotte, Jim Myers, Matt Price, Eryka Smith, and Farrin Watt.

Also present were: Superintendent, Brant Douglas; Clerk, Tammy Mason; WCES Principal Misty Gardner; WCJSHS Principal, Rees McKinney; and Guest: Sara Brown.

Approved Consent Agenda

3. Eryka Smith called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.
4. After the Pledge of Allegiance, Farrin Watt motioned and Adam Marcotte seconded to approve the consent agenda, with the addition of items G9, G10, and I1, consisting of:
 - A. Agenda for the meeting.
 - B. Minutes for the June 8, 2026 special meeting.
 - C. Minutes for the June 8, 2026 meeting.
 - D. Minutes for the June 30, 2026 special meeting.
 - E. Payments of bills and payroll.
 - F. Approve reimbursement rate for mileage at 70 cents per mile effective 07/01/2026.
 - G. Personnel Actions:
 1. Appointment of Clerk: Tammy Mason is recommended.
 2. Appointment of Treasurer: Teressa Ricke is recommended.
 3. Appointment of Deputy Clerk: Nayeli Garcia is recommended.
 4. Approve Leslie Niswonger as the PDC Chairperson for the 2026-2027 school year.
 5. Approve fall coaches as follows:
HS Football-Brant Douglas-Head Coach, Bryce Nickelson- Asst. Coach; Manuel Chavez-Asst. Coach
JH Football- Wes Cooper-Head Coach
Cross Country-Layton Tankersley

HS Volleyball-Ashley Geyer-Head Coach,
Bailey Preedy-Asst. Coach

JH Volleyball-Tiffany Wilbur-Head Coach,
Sheri Casper- Asst. Coach

HS Cheer-ShayReah Stump-Head Coach,
Sheri Loy-Asst. Coach

JH Cheer-Sondra Hembree & Audra Berning

6. Approve the summer driver's education contract for Christina Baber in the amount of \$4,864.
7. Appointment of Homeless Liaison: Brant Douglas.
8. Appointment of Freedom of Information Officer-Open Records: Tammy Mason.
9. Approve Krystal Ruiz as a part time custodian at 15 hours per week.
10. Approve Alejandro Villalobos as a part time bus route driver.

H. Gifts and Grants:

1. HOME RANGE WIND LLC \$1,340-WCES 250th T-Shirts
2. WCCF \$1,372.76 WCES Music Grant
3. WCCF \$457.96 WCJSHS Art Grant
4. WCCF \$972.13 WCJSHS Horticulture Grant
5. WCCF \$500 WCJSHS Nutrition & Wellness Grant
6. WCCF \$875.60 WCJSHS Physical Science Grant
7. WCCF \$750 Library Grant
8. WCCF \$2,450 VU Scholarship Grant
9. WCCF \$2,000 Reality U Grant
10. WCCF \$350 Body Venture Grant
11. Bill of Rights Institute \$2,000 (Mrs. Bauck's Award)
12. FFVP \$15,300

I. Superintendent Douglas presented the milk bid received for the 2026-2027 school year. The bids were due to the district office by Friday, July 10, 2026 at 5:00 p.m. The bid is as follows:

1. Leoti Foods- .46 cents per half pint for Plains 1% Milk, 2% Milk, Low Fat 1% Chocolate Milk; Fat Free Strawberry Milk; and .48 cents per half pint for Whole Milk with cooler, delivery, and restocking provided for all milk.

Motion passed 6-0.

Audiences

5. There were no audiences or groups.

Resolutions

6. Maegan Berry motioned and Farrin Watt seconded to approve Resolutions 2027-01 through 2027-09:
 - A. Resolution No. 2027-01 concerning the Treasurer.
 - B. Resolution No. 2027-02 concerning meeting dates of the Board.
 - C. Resolution No. 2027-03 concerning depository of funds.
 - D. Resolution No. 2027-04 concerning waiver of requirements of fixed assets accounting practices.
 - E. Resolution No. 2027-05 concerning activity funds.
 - F. Resolution No. 2027-06 concerning early payment of bills to avoid penalties and/or take advantage of early discounts and the reimbursement of expenses incurred for extracurricular activities.
 - G. Resolution No. 2027-07 concerning establishing home rule by the Board of Education.
 - H. Resolution No. 2027-08 requiring teaching of Constitution on September 17 as required by federal law as a condition of receipt of federal funding.
 - I. Resolution No. 2027-09 concerning Adopting the Kansas Homeland Security Region C Hazard Mitigation Plan which will allow USD 467 to be eligible for funding opportunities in the event a mitigation grant is awarded.Motion passed 6-0.

Petty Cash Limits

7. Adam Marcotte motioned and Maegan Berry seconded to approve setting the Petty Cash limits for each of the District's activity funds: WCES=\$300; WCJSHS=\$1,500; Board Office=\$1,000. Motion passed 6-0.

Designated Newspaper

8. Farrin Watt motioned and Maegan Berry seconded to approve the Wichita County Native Sun as the newspaper for legal publications: To be so designated, the newspaper must be published at

least once weekly within the boundaries of the school district. Motion passed 6-0.

Designation of Non-Elected Personnel

9. Farrin Watt motioned and Adam Marcotte seconded to accept the recommended persons for designation of non-elected personnel to satisfy state and federal requirements:
- A. Each building principal to serve as the school official to report truanancies for students who should be attending their respective attendance center for the 2026-27 school year.
 - B. Tammy Mason as the food service representative.
 - C. Approval of the School Food Service Procurement Agreement and Certificate of Authority/Application for Participation.
 - D. Misty Gardner as the hearing officer for free and reduced price meal applications.
 - E. Brant Douglas as the USD 467 Title IX and Civil Rights Compliance Officer.
 - F. Tammy Mason as Designated Agent for Kansas Public Employees Retirement System with Teresa Ricke as alternate signer.
 - G. Each building principal as custodian of activity account receipts.
- Motion passed 6-0.

Lunch and Breakfast Prices & Milk Bids

10. Adam Marcotte motioned and Eryka Smith seconded to approve the recommended lunch and breakfast prices for the 2026-2027 school year:
- Student K-6; lunch \$3.20, breakfast \$1.90
 - Student 7-12; lunch \$3.60, breakfast \$2.20
 - Adult Meal; lunch \$4.75, breakfast \$2.80
- (pending the allowable reimbursement rate from state and federal guidelines)
- Milk .50 per carton

Motion passed 6-0.

Book Rental Fees

11. Jim Myers motioned and Maegan Berry seconded to approve the book rental and other fees as presented for the 2026-27 school year. The fees are as follows: Preschool qualifying for At-Risk \$285.00 if paid in full at enrollment or \$315.00 (\$35.00/month August thru April includes daily milk); Preschool not qualifying for At-Risk \$575.00 if paid in full at

enrollment or \$630.00 (\$70/month August thru April includes daily milk); Preschool Supply Fee \$25.00; Grades K-6 \$50 includes workbooks; Grades 7-8 \$60.00 includes workbooks; Grades 9-12 \$60.00 does not include workbooks; Grades 7-12 \$35.00 technology fee; Summer Drivers Ed for in district students \$100.00, and for out of district students \$200.00. Motion passed 6-0.

Substitute Teacher Pay

12. Adam Marcotte motioned and Eryka Smith seconded to approve the substitute teacher pay at \$120 per day for fully licensed teachers, \$100 per day for emergency licensed substitutes, and \$90 for non-licensed substitutes. Motioned passed 6-0.

Budget Update

13. The district is required to notify the County Clerk by July 20th if the district will exceed the RNR. The district will exceed the Revenue Neutral Rate. A time will be set up with the Kansas State Department of Education to review the budget.

Accountability Report & Needs Assessment

14. The most recent Accountability Reports were shared with the Board at the February 9, 2026 meeting. Superintendent Douglas shared the updated Building Needs Assessments with the Board. Discussion was held.

TRANE Contract

15. Superintendent Douglas presented the cost of the contracted TRANE agreement for \$24,988. Jim Myers motioned and Eryka Smith seconded to approve the TRANE contract of \$24,988 for 2026-2027. Motion passed 6-0.

Consideration of Board Policy GAOG

16. Superintendent Douglas presented the GAOG Retiree Medical Insurance policy for consideration. From Kansas Statute 12-5040, the Board of Education shall permit eligible retired former employees and their dependents to continue participation in the district's group health care benefits plan. Discussion was held. Adam Marcotte motioned and Maegan Berry seconded to approve board policy GAOG. Motion passed 6-0.

Consideration for Approval of Calendar Change

17. Superintendent Douglas would like Board approval to change the 2026-2027 school calendar to allow staff members to complete floating workdays starting

July 27, 2026. Discussion was held. Eryka Smith motioned and Maegan Berry seconded to approve the calendar change allowing staff to complete floating workdays starting July 27, 2026. Motion passed 6-0.

Grounds Maintenance

18. Discussion was held on the removal of trees at the Northwest corner of the football field lot to provide better sight lines at the corner of N Hollister Street and H Street. It was also suggested to have a stop sign on J Street by the football field exit.

Consideration for Approval of the Curriculum Handbook & Google Services Parental Consent Form

19. Superintendent Douglas presented changes to the 2026-2027 Curriculum handbook and the updated Google Services Parental Consent Form. Farrin Watt motioned and Adam Marcotte seconded to approve the 2026-2027 Curriculum Handbook and Google Services Parental Consent Form. Motion passed 6-0.

Principal's Report

20. WCES Principal, Misty Gardner, presented the following updates:

- A. Two special education teachers have been hired through High Plains Educational Cooperative. Special education para interviews are set up for tomorrow.
- B. The custodial staff has been working hard throughout the building and everything is looking great.
- C. New preschool curriculum has been purchased.
- D. A "color walk" for staff and family is being organized for the start of the school year.

WCJSHS Principal, Rees McKinney, presented the following updates:

- E. A student reached out to inquire about painting parking spots for seniors. It would be a money making event organized through STUCO.
- F. His family started their move in process today and were thankful for the help from the football team.

Superintendent's Report

21. Superintendent Douglas presented the following district updates:

- A. Mr. Biermann from KASB reached out about setting up a Board training.
- B. In-service is August 10th at the WCJSHS auditorium. The Board provides breakfast and lunch.
- C. USD 467 has been named one of the state's elite "bright spot" schools, ranking in the top 5% of Kansas schools for outperforming early reading expectations.
- D. The Board asked Superintendent Douglas about resealing two of the lanes at the track, the five year capital outlay plan, and encouraged him to acquire comprehensive oversight of the budget.

Executive Session for a
Student Matter

22. Farrin Watt motioned and Maegan Berry seconded to enter into executive session with Mr. Douglas and Mr. McKinney present to discuss matters adversely or favorably affecting a student pursuant to student matters under KOMA. The matters affecting the student are to discuss confidential student information. The Board will enter into executive session at 8:17 p.m. and return to open session in the board room at 8:27 p.m. Motion carried 6-0. The meeting returned to open session at 8:27 p.m. No action was taken.

Executive Session for
Personnel

23. Adam Marcotte motioned and Farrin Watt seconded to enter into executive session with Mr. Douglas, Mrs. Gardner, and Mr. McKinney present to discuss matters adversely or favorably affecting non-elected certified and classified staff pursuant to non-elected personnel exception under KOMA. The matters affecting the non-elected certified and classified staff members is their performance and employment. The Board will enter into executive session at 8:28 p.m. and return to open session in the board room at 8:48 p.m. Motion passed 6-0. The meeting returned to open session at 8:48 p.m. No action was taken.

Adjournment

24. Maegan Berry motioned and Eryka Smith seconded to officially adjourned the meeting at 8:48 p.m. Motion passed 6-0.

Eryka Smith, President

Tammy Mason, Board Clerk

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