

BOARD MINUTES  
December 12, 2022

The Board of Education of Unified School District No. 273 met on Monday, December 12, 2022 at the Board of Education Office with the following members present: Joe File, Kelsey Adams, Amber Krier Jon Stillwell and Tony Thompson. Also present were Jeff Travis, Superintendent; Tiffany Schroeder, Clerk; Brady Dean, Beloit Elementary School Principal and MCPC/MCELC Executive Director; Casey Seyfert, Beloit Jr-Sr High School Principal; Janet Porter, Beloit Elementary School Assistant Principal, and Cassie Kopsa, Special Education Assistant Director

President Johnson called the regular meeting to order at 6:30 P.M.

Guests present were: Grady Seyfert, Vicki Jackson, Ryan Isbell, Stephanie Porter, Brian Debey and Alyssa Hajny.

A motion was made by Krier, seconded by Adams, to adopt the agenda with the following changes: Remove item 4 and item 7; add item 7a) Special Education Director Hire. Motion carried: 6 Yeas, 0 Nays.

A motion was made by File, seconded by Stillwell, to approve the consent agenda with this motion, the following were approved:

- Minutes of November 14, 2022 Regular Board Meeting;
- Payment of Bills and Claims;
- Approval of Revenue Journals;
- Approval of BOE, BES and BJSHS Activity Funds;

Contracts:

- Holly Tanis, Paraeducator, Lakeside Jr-Sr High School;
- Jessica Goodaker, Paraeducator, Beloit Elementary School;
- Tahlia Cox, Teacher Aide, Mitchell County Early Learning Center;

Resignation:

- Alana Budke, Paraeducator, Beloit Jr-Sr High School.

Motion carried: 6 Yeas, 0 Nays.

BILLS

<b>PAID NOVEMBER 3, 2022:</b>		American Fidelity Assurance	14,983.67
Advance Life Ins of KS	1040.21	American Fidelity Assurance Co	9,402.00
		Flex Account Administration	7,537.65
<b>PAID NOVEMBER 18, 2022:</b>		Berman & Rabin, PA	388.37
BlueCross BlueShield of KS	29.21	Meredith Johnson, Treasurer	408.00
		First National Bank & Trust	388.38
<b>PAID NOVEMBER 21, 2022:</b>		First National Bank & Trust	190,902.60
MG Trust	425.00	Kansas Payment Center	285.00
Am Fidelity Health Svcs Admin	250.00	KPERS	53,552.66

KPERS Retirement WAR	4,200.59	Central Valley Ag	664.99
KPERS-Optional Life	326.85	Dawn Chandler	252.43
Ks Department of Revenue	31,371.94	City of Beloit	20,929.11
KS Employment Security Fund	2,720.96	Skylar Cleveland	54.00
Security Benefit Life Ins Co	800.00	Jana Coil	157.72
USD 273 Health Reserve	113,647.18	Linda S. Cox	341.06
Fiduciary Trust Co of NH	1,200.00	Craig Home Care	171.14
<b>Total</b>	<b>432,790.85</b>	Crumbaker Oil & Feed, LLC	7,618.52
		Cunningham Telephone	1,317.88
<b>PAID NOVEMBER 22, 2022:</b>		D-K Finney	1,500.00
Reliance Standard	1,496.48	Delta Dental of Kansas	8,074.25
		Carli Denning	246.29
<b>PAID NOVEMBER 28, 2022:</b>		Dollar General	199.35
BlueCross BlueShield of KS	126,684.29	Heidi Donley	239.27
		DS Busline, Inc	57,326.01
<b>PAID DECEMBER 12, 2022:</b>		Ashley R. Eck	102.96
Ackerman Supply, Inc	65.88	Linda Ellis	40.95
ACT Publications	832.00	Ron Elniff	505.44
Amanda Anderson	205.34	Joelle Emerson	889.79
Banner Restaurant	160.00	Kayle Ester	22.50
Joshua Bass	16.50	F & A Food Sales, Inc	822.80
Quentin Bass	30.00	Fly Boy Brewery & Eats	510.00
Savannah Bass	54.00	Lijah Gerstner	57.00
Crystal Bean	65.20	Given Grace LLC	35.00
Becker Autos & Trailers	214.11	Glasco Oven and Tavern	690.00
Debbie Beckmeyer	579.74	Jenna Gottschalk	30.42
Kyle Beisner	450.45	Susan Grabon	31.82
Beloit Auto & Truck Plaza	17.96	Emma Griffiths	46.50
Beloit Elementary School	232.79	Leslie Gutschow	42.00
Beloit Jr-Sr High School	359.74	Michelle Hahn	760.09
Beloit Medical Center, PA	940.00	Harris School Solutions	582.00
Beverly Bar and Grill	420.00	Heineken Electric Co.	1,439.88
Beyond the Individual	8,025.00	Christina Henke	900.00
Erica Blacke	60.84	Martin Hesting	14.95
Felisha Bland	339.30	Hiserote Trash Removal	320.00
Boettcher Supply, Inc	1,180.45	Bernetta Hlad	187.20
Suzann Bouray	223.86	HQ H2O Inc/Culligan	169.75
Bubba Q's	467.50	Korryn Hubert	63.00
Buffalo Roam	360.00	Wayne Huggins	70.00
Card Services	5,653.90	Image Quest	24,246.25
CDW Government, Inc	2,415.60	Index Restaurant Supply	5,370.00

Grant E. Ingram	5.75	Plum Creek	990.00
Vicki Jackson	40.63	United States Postal Service	400.00
Allison Johnson	210.61	Quill Corporation	1,862.64
Johnson Controls Fire	9,295.11	Ray's AppleMarket	3,236.73
Kirsten Jones	135.72	Republican Valley Landscape	613.80
J.W. Pepper & Son, Inc	48.99	Desiree Richards	476.78
KCCTFCA	600.00	Salina Steel Supply, Inc	900.56
Daniel Kelly	355.10	Savvas Learning	27,628.16
Donna J. Kennedy	29.25	Schendel Pest Control	1,080.00
Shelby Koetter	28.08	Anna N. Schoen	150.35
Kansas Gas Service	2,120.36	School Specialty	284.91
Sharon Kresin	242.78	Tiffany Schroeder	65.04
Krier's Auto Parts Inc	319.72	Skyward-Network Program	2,160.90
Jase Labertew	52.50	Smoky Hill/Cent KS Ed Svc Ctr	25.00
Matheson Tri-Gas Inc	934.41	Tracy Sulsar	152.10
Denise A. Long	19.89	Sweetwater	10,867.90
Shelton Lund	52.50	Tom's Music House	188.00
Karen MacCrory	510.70	Samantha Toombs	26.91
Renee J. Mason, RPT	354.51	Trane US, Inc	1,157.33
Matlock Music Works	420.00	Trapper Joe's	450.00
Amanda McGuire	213.29	USD 107 Rock Hills	235.98
Becky Byarlay-McQueen	274.95	USD 273 Capital Outlay	17,500.00
Midwest Bus Leasing, Inc	2,000.00	Waconda Trader	252.00
Bethany Mitchell	130.75	Brianna Walter	119.34
Mitchell Co Health Dept	5,940.00	Robert Watson	198.90
Mitchell Co Solid Waste	10.00	Watts & Sons	10,369.57
NCK Technical College	162.00	Wheatfields Floral	40.00
Gina Nelson	37.44	Anita Wirth	77.22
Marlene Nelson	210.60	Xerox Financial Services	1,872.84
Tricia Nelson	32.18	Zachary's Ace Hardware	672.95
Nex-Tech Wireless	2,672.80	<b>Total</b>	<b>326,881.55</b>
Kansas One-Call System, Inc	3.60		
OPAA!	53,254.30		
Sheryl Ann Palmer	60.84	<b>FUND SUMMARY:</b>	
Parts Express	544.94	GENERAL FUND	104,306.75
Pearson Clinical	127.18	SUPPLEMENTAL GENERAL	10,013.06
Pestinger Distributing	420.11	CAPITAL OUTLAY	11,767.90
Audrey L. Pingel	13.99	FOOD SERVICE	65,290.81
Pitney Bowes, Inc	270.15	PARENT EDUCATION FUND	1,117.06
Pitney Bowes, Inc	217.41	ESSER III	45631.07
Pitney Bowes, Inc	40.02	CAREER & POSTSECND ED	2,799.92

HEALTH CARE RESERVE	14014.25	MEDICAID	676.06
TEXTBOOK & STUD REV	25.00	SMART START (MCPC)	18820.90
COOP SPECIAL ED	52418.77	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>326,881.55</b>

Grady Seyfert gave the Student Council Report.

Alyssa Hajny gave the Jag-K Report.

Stephanie Porter gave the Site Council Report.

Vicki Jackson gave the PTO Report.

The Superintendent informed the Board that a committee consisting of Amber Krier, Cassie Kopsa, Rex Boley, Jeff Travis and Tiffany Schroeder interviewed two candidates for Special Education Director position. After being interviewed by the committee, the candidates met by zoom with Karen Niemczyk. The candidates were from two different spectrums – one would be a first year director and the other has had years of experience. The committee and Mrs. Niemczyk decided to offer the position to Christie Gerdes and she accepted. The Superintendent hopes to have a meet and greet for the board members to meet Mrs. Gerdes. The Superintendent discussed the ACTE conference he and a few other employees attended. He said it was one of the best conferences he has attended. News last week from KSDE stated it looks like there could be a 7.94 million dollar increase in funds for FY23 and a four million dollar increase for FY24. They believe cash balances will continue to increase. KSDE is anticipating putting \$72 million into the Special Education budget over the next 5 years. This means that there could be \$75,000 – \$80,000 in excess cost the district would not have to pay into special education.

A motion was made by File, seconded by Thompson, to approve the hiring of Christie Gerdes as Special Education Director for the 2022-23 school year and extend to the 2024-2025 school year. Motion carried: 6 Yeas, 0 Nays.

A motion was made by Stillwell, seconded by Thompson, to approve sending the policy books to KASB to review, give revisions to School Attorney, Jim Johnson, for him to go through and go over with the Board. Mr. Travis will give the board 60 days to go over the board policies then bring them back to the board for approval. Motion carried: 6 Yeas, 0 Nays.

Thompson moved that the Board of Education go into executive session at 7:17 P.M. for the purpose of discussing matters relating to actions adversely or favorably affecting a person as a student because if this matter were discussed in open session it might invade the privacy of those discussed and that the Board of Education reconvene into open session at 7:27 P.M. in this room with Jeff Travis and Casey Seyfert remaining. The motion was seconded by Adams. Motion carried: 6 Yeas, 0 Nays.

The meeting reconvened into open session at 7:27 P.M.

Thompson moved that the Board of Education go into executive session at 7:28 P.M. for the purpose of discussing personnel matters on non-elected personnel and their contractual obligations because if this matter were discussed in open session it might invade the privacy of those discussed and that the Board of Education reconvene into open session at 7:43 P.M. in this room with Jeff Travis and Brady Dean remaining. The motion was seconded by Krier. Motion carried: 6 Yeas, 0 Nays.

The meeting reconvened into open session at 7:43P.M.

A motion was made by Thompson, seconded by File, that the meeting adjourn. Meeting adjourned at 7:44 P.M. Motion carried: 6 Yeas, 0 Nays.

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President, Board of Education

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Clerk, Board of Education

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