

BOARD MINUTES
December 11, 2023

The Board of Education of Unified School District No. 273 met in a special meeting on Monday, December 11, 2023 at 6:30 P.M., at the Board of Education Office with the following members present: Joe File, Amber Krier, Kelsey Adams, Jason Johnson, Jacob Ludwig, Jonathan Stillwell and Tony Thompson. Also present were Jeff Travis, Superintendent; Tiffany Schroeder, Clerk; Janet Porter, Beloit Elementary School Principal; Garry Lowry, Beloit Elementary School Assistant Principal; Casey Seyfert, Beloit Jr-Sr High School Principal; Christie Gerdes, Special Education Director; Cassie Kopsa, Beloit Special Education Cooperative Assistant Director; and Brady Dean, Mitchell County Partnership for Children Director.

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

Guests present were: Emily Benedick, Tamma Lawson, Ryan Isbell, Brian Debey and Marley File.

A motion was made by Ludwig, seconded by Krier, to adopt the agenda with the following additions to the consent agenda: Resignation: Makenna Trumble, Lead Teacher, Mitchell County Early Learning Center. Motion carried: 7 Yeas, 0 Nays.

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

- Minutes of November 13, 2023 Regular Board Meeting;
 - Payment of Bills and Claims;
 - Approval of Revenue Journals;
 - Approval of BOE, BES and BJSHS Activity Funds;
 - Contracts:
 - Dave Elam, Custodian, Beloit Elementary School;
 - Resignations:
 - Kathrina Jordan, Nurse Aide, Beloit Jr-Sr High School;
 - Makenna Trumble, Lead Teacher, Mitchell County Early Learning Center;
- Motion carried: 7 Yeas, 0 Nays.

BILLS

PAID NOVEMBER 3, 2023:		Berman & Rabin, PA	405.66
Advance Life Ins of KS	952.30	Meredith Johnson, Treasurer	416.00
		First National Bank & Trust	405.67
PAID NOVEMBER 20, 2023:		First National Bank & Trust	184,810.69
MG Trust	700.00	Kansas Payment Center	285.00
Am Fidelity Health Svcs Admin	250.00	Klenda Austerman, LLC	500.00
American Fidelity Assurance	14,793.98	KPERS	53,382.89
American Fidelity Assurance Co	11,586.73	KPERS Retirement WAR	5,336.41
Flex Account Administration	7,317.43	KPERS-Optional Life	319.05

KS Dept of Revenue	31,370.63	Jana Coil	749.66
KS Employment Security Fund	810.41	Linda S. Cox	467.67
Security Benefit Life Ins Co	800.00	Craig Home Care	271.40
USD 273 Health Reserve	117,294.54	Crumbaker Oil & Feed, LLC	8,905.41
FTC-Fiduciary Trust Co of NH	1,200.00	Cunningham Telephone	1,498.93
Total	431,985.09	Delta Dental of Kansas	19,694.68
		Dollar General	118.00
PAID NOVEMBER 28, 2023:		DreamSeats, LLC	2,597.00
BlueCross BlueShield of KS	7.58	DS Busline, Inc	60,296.98
BlueCross BlueShield of KS	1,420.55	Christine Elam	75.59
BlueCross BlueShield of KS	134,821.17	Linda Ellis	41.92
Total	136,249.30	Ron Elniff	459.81
		Joelle Emerson	559.37
PAID DECEMBER 11, 2023:		Peggy Falcon	65.50
Ackerman Supply, Inc	124.95	Fellers Food Service	1,600.92
ACT Publications	884.00	Fouts Insurance, LLC	2,304.00
American Ag & Auto, LLC	6,773.87	Frasier, Johnson & Martin	901.91
Amanda Anderson	346.50	Glass Services	587.50
Artic Bites, LLC	402.00	Emma Gleysteen	19.50
Crystal Bean	38.78	Thomas W. Goss	62.23
Beloit Auto & Truck Plaza	73.83	Emma Griffiths	30.00
Beloit Elementary School	291.98	Leann Griffith	53.71
Beloit Jr-Sr High School	372.14	Michelle Hahn	359.99
Beloit Medical Center, PA	680.00	Hiserote Trash Removal	320.00
Beloit Buick GMC, LLC	9.19	Bernetta Hlad	144.10
Beloit Jr-Sr H.S. Petty Cash	626.29	Elizabeth Holway	664.17
Blade-Empire Publishing	229.20	HQ H2O Inc/Culligan	180.25
Felisha Bland	602.60	HTK Architects	10,116.25
Board Office Petty Cash	1,412.73	Wayne Huggins	273.00
Boettcher Supply, Inc	912.04	Image Quest	1,326.90
Bomgaars	130.81	Interactive Parenting	130.00
Carla Boyles	17.69	Heather Isbell	48.60
Julia Bretz	52.40	Allison Johnson	110.04
Brummer Construction	550.00	KAAE	245.00
BSN Sports	578.60	Kingdom Cartridge	594.00
Cawker City Ledger	58.13	Kansas Gas Service	1,738.92
Central Valley Ag	425.17	Krier's Auto Parts, Inc	98.22
Dawn Chandler	387.82	Jase Labertew	58.50
City of Beloit	16,805.59	Leah Larsen	357.63
Skyler Cleveland	27.00	Lathrop Gage, LLP	3,713.00

Liberty Hardwoods, Inc	1,181.50	Anna N. Schoen	74.67
Matheson Tri-Gas, Inc	595.96	Casey Seyfert	3,868.47
Denise A. Long	22.27	Smoky Hill/Cent KS Ed Svc Ctr	180.00
Karen MacCrory	362.87	Solomon Valley Home Center	1,393.24
Renee J. Mason, RPT	465.64	Janelle Streit	597.36
Amanda McGuire	573.90	Tracy Sulsar	57.64
McHenry Electric & Supply	579.00	Jenna Sumpter	35.37
Julia McMains	32.62	Superior Publishing Co, Inc	36.00
Becky Byarlay-McQueen	302.61	Dawn Thomas	34.06
Mid America Books	274.45	Lynne Thrun	63.54
Midwest Bus Leasing, Inc	2,000.00	Trane US, Inc	1,288.33
Bethany Mitchell	147.96	Jeff Travis	237.11
Mitchell Co Solid Waste	16.40	USD 107 Rock Hills	1,607.65
Madelynn Moore	19.65	USD 298 Lincoln	371.76
National Fire Suppression	6,020.00	USD 299 Sylvan Grove	1,099.08
Gina Nelson	41.92	Waconda Trader	191.40
Marlene Nelson	275.10	Brianna Walter	149.35
n2y	13,314.43	Watts & Sons	3,698.80
Nex-Tech Wireless	2,173.92	WAXIE Sanitary Supply	899.18
OPAA!	56,996.68	Anita Wirth	67.07
Sheryl Ann Palmer	68.12	WoodRiver Energy, LLC	779.58
Janet Parker	22.27	Carlton Wright	11.10
Pearson Clinical	138.60	Xerox Financial Services	3,428.97
Pitney Bowes, Inc	40.02	Zachary's Ace Hardware	267.71
Pitney Bowes, Inc	58.08	Total:	269,878.84
United States Postal Service	200.00		
Prairie Fire Coffee	922.25		
Providence Working Canines	509.87	FUND SUMMARY:	
Pur-O-Zone	958.10	GENERAL FUND	110653.48
Quill Corporation	453.90	SUPPLEMENTAL GENERAL	4330.81
Ray's AppleMarket	2,028.58	CAPITAL OUTLAY	18533.35
Reliance Standard	1,246.32	FOOD SERVICE	59375.01
Republican Valley Landscape	664.95	PARENT EDUCATION FUND	1390.56
Desiree Richards	525.32	CAREER & POSTSECND ED	3045.44
Saddleback Educational, Inc	448.00	HEALTH CARE RESERVE	20941.00
Salina Steel Supply, Inc	251.19	COOP SPECIAL ED	40700.46
Sam's Club Direct	133.82	MEDICAID	1166.26
Schendel Pest Control	360.00	SMART START (MCPC)	9742.47
Lori Schmitt	361.56	TOTAL	269,878.84

Marley File gave the Student Council Report.

Tamma Lawson gave the Jag-K Report

Amber Quayle gave the Site Council Report.

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The Superintendent introduced Emily Benedick, Mitchell County Economic Development Director, who discussed the Neighborhood Revitalization contract. Krier and Stillwell thought it might be ok to opt out for these two years with the bond. Zach Snethen with HTK Architects was then introduced to discuss the reason behind the need to move the Bond election. It is due to the State of Kansas making the March 19, 2024 election a primary election. Therefore, the district will need to move the special election farther out in the year. After speaking with Heather Weston, Mitchell County Clerk, HTK Architects thought April 18, 2024 would be the best date for the special election. This will allow for any non-registered voters the time to register. The Superintendent explained to the Board that our board policies are the next district for the State to work on. The State Department said our policies should be done by the end of January.

A motion was made by Krier, seconded by Ludwig, to approve the addition of Keith Kresin, Assistant High School Girls Basketball Coach and Kevin Harris as Assistant High School Track Coach. Motion carried: 7 Yeas, 0 Nays.

Thompson moved that the Board of Education adopt a policy to determine the number of nonresident students that the school district has the capacity to accept in each grade Kindergarten—8th grade and program grades 9—12 for each school of the school district pursuant to K.S.A. 72-3123, and amendments thereto, Johnson seconded. Motion carried: 7 Yeas, 0 Nays.

A motion was made by Adams, seconded by Stillwell, to approve the Board Policy GAAF- ESI. Motion carried: 7 Yeas, 0 Nays.

Stillwell moved that the Board of Education adopt a resolution relating to the bond election in Unified School District No. 273, Mitchell County, Kansas (Beloit) and supplementing resolution No. 11.2023 of the district setting the election date to April 18, 2024, Johnson seconded. Motion carried: 7 Yeas, 0 Nays.

Krier moved that the Board of Education go into executive session at 7:40 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 8:00 P.M. in this room with Mr. Travis remaining. The motion was seconded by Adams. Motion carried: 7 Yeas, 0 Nays.

A motion was made by Thompson, seconded by Johnson, to extend the contracts of Janet Porter, Principal, Beloit Elementary School; Garry Lowry, Assistant Principal, Beloit Elementary School; Casey Seyfert, Principal, Beloit Jr.-Sr. High School; Kyle Beisner, Vice-Principal/Activities Director, Beloit Jr.-Sr. High School; Christie Gerdes, Director, Special Education and Cassie Kopsa, Assistant

Director, Special Education; through the 2025-2026 school year and Brady Dean, Director Mitchell County Early Learning Center, through the 2024-2025 school year. Motion carried: 7 Yeas, 0 Nays.

Ludwig moved that the Board of Education go into executive session at 8:05 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 8:25 P.M. in this room with Mr. Travis and Mr. Seyfert remaining. The motion was seconded by Adams. Motion carried: 7 Yeas, 0 Nays.

Ludwig moved that the Board of Education go into executive session at 8:25 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 8:35 P.M. in this room with Mr. Travis and Mr. Seyfert remaining. The motion was seconded by Adams. Motion carried: 7 Yeas, 0 Nays.

Ludwig moved that the Board of Education go into executive session at 8:35 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 8:50 P.M. in this room with Mr. Travis remaining. The motion was seconded by Adams. Motion carried: 7 Yeas, 0 Nays.

A motion was made by Ludwig, seconded by Stillwell, that the meeting adjourn. Meeting adjourned at 9:07 P.M. Motion carried: 7 Yeas, 0 Nays.

President, Board of Education

Clerk, Board of Education