

BOARD MINUTES
February 10, 2025

The Board of Education of Unified School District No. 273 met in regular session on Monday, January 13, 2025 at 6:30 P.M., at the Board of Education Office with the following members present: Joe File, Amber Krier, Kelsey Adams, Craig Cousland, 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, Beloit Special Education Cooperative Director; Cassie Kopsa, Beloit Special Education Cooperative Assistant Director and Brady Dean, MCPC/MCELC Executive Director.

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

Guests present were: Cindy Loy, Brian Debey, Addie Francis, Danny Henke, and Olivia Wright.

A motion was made by Stillwell, seconded by Ludwig, to adopt the agenda with the following additions: 11a) Additions to the Coaches List (A.I). Motion carried: 7 Yeas, 0 Nays.

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

- Minutes January 13, 2025 Regular Board Meeting;
- Payment of Bills and Claims;
- Approval of Revenue Journals;
- Approval of BOE, BES and BJSHS Activity Funds;
- Resignations:
 - Kirsten Herndon, Third Grade Teacher, Beloit Elementary School;
 - Savannah Wallace, Sixth Grade Teacher, Beloit Elementary School;
- Retirements:
 - Melissa Brown, Title I Teacher, Beloit Elementary School;
 - Tracy Travis, Title I Teacher, Beloit Elementary School.

Motion carried: 7 Yeas, 0 Nays.

BILLS

PAID DECEMBER 20, 2024:		American Fidelity Assurance Co	7,366.40
Solid Rock Audio Video	6,883.33	Meredith Johnson, Treasurer	530.00
		First National Bank & Trust	176087.04
PAID JANUARY 3, 2025:		Flex Made Easy - ACH	1455.00
Excellence K12 LLC	3,250.00	Flex Made Easy	6195.74
		Kansas Payment Center	558.00
PAID JANUARY 20, 2025:		KPERS	51289.11
MG Trust	700.00	KPERS Retirement WAR	2151.81
American Fidelity Assurance	144.20	KPERS-Optional Life	536.79

KS Dept of Revenue	30546.17	Dollar General	96.39
KS Employ Security Fund	776.62	DS Busline, Inc	116,157.84
MASA Global	742.00	Dunstan Waste Solutions	906.60
Security Benefit Life Ins Co	850.00	Ellenz of Tipton	1,509.75
Sun Life	13096.89	Ron Elniff	577.54
Trustmark Voluntary Benefits	1713.50	Joelle Emerson	522.60
USD 273 Health Reserve	120237.64	Ernie Williamson Music	8,245.00
Fiduciary Trust Co of NH	1200.00	Escalade Sports	1,468.45
Total	416,176.91	Flex Made Easy	100.00
		Fouts Insurance, LLC	1,097.18
PAID JANUARY 28, 2025:		Glassman Corporation	500.00
BlueCross BlueShield of KS	146,389.20	Emma Gleysteen	40.50
		Emma Griffiths	22.50
PAID JANUARY 30, 2025:		Michelle Hahn	417.14
Navia Benefit Solutions	200.00	Harris School Solutions	10,113.54
		Britney Hauser	67.00
PAID FEBRUARY 10, 2025:		Hiserote Trash Removal	320.00
Abram Ready-Mix	4,400.00	Bernetta Hlad	80.40
Ackerman Supply, Inc	199.96	Elizabeth Holway	557.44
Amanda Anderson	201.67	Meagan Housh	93.80
Molly Baxa	27.69	Angela Isaac	69.68
Kyle Beisner	563.47	Vicki Jackson Catering	1,500.00
Beloit Auto & Truck Plaza	77.25	Allison Johnson	28.14
Beloit Elementary School	273.18	J.W. Pepper & Son, Inc	187.74
Beloit Jr-Sr High School	1,767.35	Kansas Register	112.00
Beloit Medical Center, PA	620.00	Kingdom Cartridge	516.00
Blade-Empire Publishing	257.40	Kansas Gas Service	6,498.69
Boettcher Supply, Inc	92.80	Keith Kresin	459.51
Breanna Brown	160.13	Krier's Auto Parts, Inc	165.64
Madison Cashatt	4,081.95	Jase Labertew	63.00
CDW Government, Inc	8,160.00	Lathrop GPM, LLP	2,163.00
Central Valley Ag	146.66	The LC Group, LLC	5,000.00
Dawn Chandler	542.73	Matheson Tri-Gas, Inc	607.12
City of Beloit	16,540.77	Loving Guidance, LLC	1,299.00
Jana Coil	194.03	Karen MacCroy	101.84
Brandon Cox	79.14	Renee J. Mason, RPT	387.93
Linda S. Cox	339.69	Matlock Music Works	490.00
Craig Home Care	278.50	Amanda McGuire	466.52
Crumbaker Oil & Feed, LLC	5,963.94	Megan McMillan	12.49
Culligan of Downs	94.00	Becky Byarlay-McQueen	791.27
Cunningham Fiber	1,528.38	Courtney Moreland	58.96

Dagen Morrell	102.00	Trane US, Inc	3,525.06
Motor Mouth Therapy	5,600.00	Jeff Travis	845.41
Fort Hays Tech-North Central	90.78	Twotrees Technologies	1,710.45
Marlene Nelson	257.95	TAESE/USU	300.00
Nex-Tech Wireless	2,175.34	Vision Communications	248.50
Nutrien Ag Solutions, Inc	83.20	Waconda Trader	1,571.75
OPAA!	59,620.02	Brianna Walter	170.18
Bradee Panzer	42.88	Watts & Sons	599.70
Pearson Clinical	38.95	WAXIE Sanitary Supply	25.76
Pitney Bowes, Inc	673.38	Wheat Fields Floral	54.00
USPS	600.00	WoodRiver Energy, LLC	3,693.42
Prairie Fire Coffee	917.40	Carlton Wright	117.00
PresenceLearning, Inc	13,560.16	Xerox Financial Services	3,613.21
Pur-O-Zone, Inc	6,254.20	Total	340,364.43
Quill Corporation	3,437.27		
Ray's AppleMarket	2,955.29		
Desiree Richards	505.85		
Angela K. Ringler	120.60	FUND SUMMARY:	
Sage Products	256.84	GENERAL FUND	186,828.33
Salina Steel Supply, Inc	1,147.52	SUPPLEMENTAL GEN	2,021.28
Anna N. Schoen	97.82	CAPITAL OUTLAY	11,518.79
Casey Seyfert	389.94	FOOD SERVICE	56,053.88
Brandon Smith	182.37	PROFESSIONAL DEVELOP	13,870.30
Smoky Hill/Cent KS Ed Svc Ctr	1,300.00	PARENT EDUCATION FUND	1,057.16
Solomon Valley Home Center	2,398.36	CAREER & POSTSECND ED	2,760.46
Janelle Streit	503.84	GIFTS & GRANTS	4,081.95
Sue Jenkins Consulting	8,870.30	HEALTH CARE RESERVE	100.00
Erin Suelter	423.44	COOP SPECIAL ED	51,816.24
Darby Sweat	568.16	MEDICAID	1,521.86
Thompson's O.K. Tire	219.24	SMART START (MCPC)	8,734.18
Tom's Music House	34.00	TOTAL	340,364.43

The Superintendent discussed the district's health insurance stating the district's prescription claims are up 51.3% from last year. The Superintendent would like the board members to review Board Policies Section F. Joe File, Jon Stillwell, Kelsey Adams, Tiffany Schroeder and Jeff Travis attended a meeting with the other five districts involved with the Southern Cloud agreement. If this agreement passes, USD 273 will add about 95 additional square miles to the district. The Superintendent announced that Harry and Rose Matous donated a \$1 million match to go towards the Trojan Stadium Campaign to get the track completed by the 2026 track season. The Superintendent discussed the weather, stating there is a chance of 6-8" of snow Tuesday through Wednesday. The Terracon boring log for the track was shared with the board members.

Olivia Wright gave the Student Council Report.

Addie Francis gave the Jag-K Report.

Janet Porter gave the Site Council report.

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The Superintendent updated the board on the bond. September will be the earliest the projects will be started. The projects are expected to take nine to ten months to complete.

A motion was made by Thompson, seconded by Adams, to approve the calendar for the 2025-26 school year as presented. Motion carried: 7 Yeas, 0 Nays.

A motion was made by Krier, seconded by Ludwig, to approve Section E of the board policies. Motion carried: 7 Yeas, 0 Nays.

A motion was made by Stillwell, seconded by Ludwig, to approve the GAQB Early Retirement policy with the USD 273 plan included. Motion carried: 7 Yeas, 0 Nays.

Adams made a motion to approve Grow Your Own applications for Tynisha Merrell and Kelly Hilt. The motion was seconded by Cousland. Motion carried: 7 Yeas, 0 Nays.

A motion was made by Ludwig, seconded by Thompson, to table the HTK contract so changes can be made. Motion carried: 7 Yeas, 0 Nays.

A motion was made by Thompson seconded by Cousland, to approve the addition of Eric Lampert as the Assistant Golf Coach. Motion carried: 7 Yeas, 0 Nays.

Thompson 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 Casey Seyfert and Jeff Travis remaining. The motion was seconded by Adams. Motion carried: 7 Yeas, 0 Nays.

Meeting reconvened into open session at 7:59 P.M.

A motion was made by Ludwig, seconded by Cousland, that the meeting adjourn. Meeting adjourned at 8:00 P.M. Motion carried: 7 Yeas, 0 Nays.

President, Board of Education

Clerk, Board of Education