

JOHNSON COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 0050
JOHNSON COUNTY CENTRAL PUBLIC SCHOOLS
BOARD OF EDUCATION
Building Bond Workshop
June 4, 2025
5:00 p.m.
High School Cafeteria, Tecumseh, NE.
Amended: July 9, 2025

Members Present: Justin Beethe, Gail Hutt, Dan Jones, Jon Schmid, Sarah Weber, Kim Wellensiek

Also Present: Jon H. Rother, Superintendent; Laurie Badertscher Recording Secretary; Marcus Scheer, Director of Technology; Russ Waring, Director of Operations.

Ten visitors were present

The Johnson County School District No. 0050 Board of Education met in a special session at 5:00 p.m. Wednesday, June 4, 2025, in the high school cafeteria, Tecumseh, NE. A current copy of the agenda was available for inspection in the office of the Superintendent prior to the meeting. The notice of the meeting was posted at the three main school buildings as well as the Tecumseh and Cook Post Offices. Notice of the meeting was also published on the Johnson County Central Public Schools website at www.jccentral.org.

President Kim Wellensiek called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m. and opened the meeting by announcing that the Open Meetings Act rules were posted. Roll call was taken. Justin Beethe-present, Gail Hutt-present, Dan Jones-present, Jon Schmid-present, Sarah Weber-present, Kim Wellensiek-present.

Superintendent Jon Rother facilitated a discussion regarding a potential building bond project. Tim Ripp, Project Executive, Clark and Enersen (architectural firm) presented a concept rendering using the existing Tecumseh site location to include remodeling of existing high school as well as new construction of facilities. Estimated costs were provided by Boyd Jones (construction manager at risk).

Mark Pfister, Project Executive, Boyd Jones (construction manager at risk) provided information regarding their role as Construction Manager at Risk. Mark Pfister and Leila Knowles also provided estimated costs associated with various construction options. Material options, such as, metal buildings were discussed. Mr. Rother will contact metal building vendors to obtain their perspective on the use of metal buildings for school construction and options available.

The Board of Education discussed square footage for school building projects. The administration will collaborate to look at classroom size needs and spaces necessary for programming. A discussion was held regarding the possibility of closing the Tecumseh elementary building and moving grades PreK-3 to the Cook site should a building bond not pass.

Paul Grieger, DA Davidson and Associates, provided information regarding what the levy impact would be regarding a construction bond. KSB School Law attorney Coady Pruett, was present to answer questions the Board of Education had in regards to a future building project and the current facility needs from the legal perspective. The Board of Education will continue to explore all options regarding a potential future building bond project.

A motion was made by Sarah Weber and second by Jon Schmid to adjourn the meeting. Roll call vote: Justin Beethe-yes, Gail Hutt-yes, Dan Jones-yes, Jon Schmid-yes, Sarah Weber-yes, Kim Wellensiek-yes. Carried 6-0.

Meeting adjourned at 7:56 p.m.

The next regular Board of Education meeting will be in the High School cafeteria Tecumseh, Nebraska at 6:00 p.m., Wednesday, June 11, 2025. The notice of meeting will be published in the Tecumseh Chieftain. The agenda will be posted at the three main school buildings as well as the Tecumseh and Cook Post Offices. The agenda will also be posted on the Johnson County Central Public Schools website at www.jccentral.org. A current copy of the agenda will be available for inspection in the office of the Superintendent prior to the meeting.