

**JOHNSON COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 0050
JOHNSON COUNTY CENTRAL PUBLIC SCHOOLS
BOARD OF EDUCATION
REGULAR MEETING**

December 8, 2021
6:00 pm

Members Present: Arlin Beethe, Justin Beethe, Bob Hutt, Gail Hutt, Rebecca Plager, Kim Wellensiek

Also Present: Jon H. Rother, Superintendent; Laurie Badertscher, Recording Secretary; Rich Bacon Middle School Principal; Rick Lester, High School Principal, Garret Collin Activities Director

Visitors: One visitor was present

The Johnson County School District No. 0050 Board of Education met in regular session at 6:00 p.m., Wednesday, December 8, 2021 in the high school room 204, Tecumseh, Nebraska. A current copy of the agenda was available for inspection in the office of the Superintendent prior to the meeting. The notice of meeting and agenda was posted at the three main school buildings as well as the Tecumseh and Cook Post Offices. Notice of the meeting was also published in the Tecumseh Chieftain.

President Kim Wellensiek called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. and opened the meeting by announcing that the Open Meetings Act rules were posted. Roll call was taken. Arlin Beethe-present, Justin Beethe-present, Bob Hutt--present, Gail Hutt- present, Plager-present, Wellensiek-present.

A motion was made by Arlin Beethe and seconded by Bob Hutt to approve the November 2021, Regular Board of Education Meeting minutes as presented. Roll call vote: Arlin Beethe-yes, Justin Beethe-yes, Bob Hutt-present, Gail Hutt-yes, Plager-yes, Wellensiek-yes. Carried 6-0

A motion was made by Justin Beethe and seconded by Plager to approve the General Fund claims in the amount of \$698,729.14, as presented. Roll Call vote: Justin Beethe-yes, Bob Hutt-yes, Gail Hutt-yes, Plager-yes, Wellensiek-yes, Arlin Beethe-yes. Carried 6-0

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

PRESENTATION TO THE BOARD

Mr. Rother presented a report to the Board of Education as a result of the Building Committee meeting and the Johnson County Central Bond Steering Committee meeting held on December 6, 2021. The Steering Committee recommended the Board of Education pursue a school bond referendum to finance the construction of a PreK-12 grade building with the continued use of the current high school building.

PRINCIPAL'S REPORTS

High School Principal, Rick Lester reported on the following

- “Exploring Your Future Day” will be held December 9, 2021 for high school and 8th grade students.

Middle School Principal, Rich Bacon reported on the following:

- The 4-8 Winter Concert will be held Friday, December 10, 2021
- DARE Graduation will be held December 14, 2021. Deputy Lynn Lyon served as the DARE instructor for this program.
- Author Jefferson Knapp presented to students grades 4-8
- Pilot testing for state assessments has been completed

ACTIVITIES DIRECTOR REPORT

Activities Director, Garret Collin reported on the following:

- Gym updates are being considered
- Soccer Co-op with Nebraska City
- Discussion has begun regarding a future high school bowling team.
- ECNC Conference information was provided.

SUPERINTENDENT REPORT

Superintendent Rother reported on the following:

- NSCAS (Nebraska Student-Centered Assessment System) Testing has been completed for grades K-8
- Preschool Holiday Fun Days will be held December 10, 2021 and the K-3 Christmas Program is December 13, 2021
- Entities within our communities continue to identify early childhood care as a priority needed for our communities
- Senator Walz’ Proposal for State Aid was provided
- Superintendent Evaluation

DISCUSSIONS

DA Davidson provided a DRAFT Resolution Document for a possible Bond Election.

REGULAR AGENDA-BUSINESS

A motion was made by Gail Hutt and second by Arlin Beethe to approve and adopt the KSB School Law Policies as follows: **3001,-Budgets** as presented **3002-Deposits-** as presented to include; No funds shall not be left overnight in school buildings, except in safes provided for the safekeeping of valuables. **3003 and 3003.1-Bidding for Construction Remodeling, Repair or Site Improvements-** as presented, **3004.1 Fiscal Management for Purchasing and Procurement Using Federal** –as presented. **3004-General Purchasing and Procurement-** as presented with revisions as follows: Employees seeking reimbursement for a purchase made with their personal funds must attach an itemized receipt or invoice to all requests for reimbursement; must sign all purchase receipts or charge slips; and must submit itemized receipts and any purchasing card or credit card receipts to the office of the Superintendent no later than the first day of the month prior to the next regular board meeting. For purchases of more than \$10,000, authorized staff members must secure written quotes

and/or estimates from a reasonable number of vendors. Staff will purchase from a responsible vendor with the lowest price unless the board approves the purchase from the more expensive vendor. Roll Call vote: Bob Hutt-yes, Gail Hutt-yes, Plager-yes, Wellensiek-yes, Arlin Beethe-yes, Justin Beethe-yes, Carried 6-0

Discussion was held regarding a Soccer Co-Operative between Nebraska City Public Schools and Johnson County Central Public Schools.

A motion was made by Plager and second by Justin Beethe to continue a Soccer Co-Operative for Boys and Girls Soccer with Nebraska City Public Schools. Johnson County Central will provide transportation and will compensate Nebraska City Public Schools \$300 per student athlete. Roll Call vote: Gail Hutt-yes Plager-yes, Wellensiek-yes, Arlin Beethe-yes, Justin Beethe-yes, Bob Hutt-yes, Carried 6-0

Discussion was held regarding the Johnson County Central Public Schools Bond Steering Committee report on potential future building plans.

A motion was made by Arlin Beethe and second by Plager to enter into executive session for the purpose of discussing the 2022-2023 Teacher Negotiations. Roll Call vote, Plager-yes, Wellensiek-yes, Arlin Beethe-yes, Justin Beethe-yes, Bob Hutt-yes, Gail Hutt-yes, Carried 6-0

Entered Executive session at 7:00 p.m.

A motion was made by Arlin Beethe and second by Bob Hutt to exit executive session. Roll Call vote, Wellensiek-yes, Arlin Beethe-yes, Justin Beethe-yes, Bob Hutt-yes, Gail Hutt-yes, Plager-yes, Carried 6-0

Exited executive session at 7:20 p.m.

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Gail Hutt and second by Justin Beethe. Roll Call vote: Arlin Beethe-yes, Justin Beethe-yes, Bob Hutt-yes, Gail Hutt-yes, Plager-yes, Wellensiek-yes. Carried 6-0

Meeting adjourned at 7:21 p.m.

The next regularly scheduled meeting will be held in the High School cafeteria in Tecumseh, Nebraska at 6:00 p.m., Wednesday January 12, 2022. 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. A current copy of the agenda will be available for inspection in the office of the Superintendent prior to the meeting.

