

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

June 3, 2023
8:30 a.m.

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

Absent- Rebecca Plager- excused

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

Approx. 35 Visitors were present

The Johnson County School District No. 0050 Board of Education met in a special session at 8:30 a.m. Saturday, June 3, 2023, in the Middle School gym, Cook, NE. 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 were 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 8:31 a.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-absent, Wellensiek-present.

President Wellensiek thanked everyone for attending. The meeting was then turned over to Superintendent, Jon H. Rother.

SUPERINTENDENT PRESENTATION

Superintendent Rother introduced the team working on the proposed building project. Those present were members of Clark and Enersen (Architect Firm) Jeff Chadwick, Steve Miller, Tim Ripp, and Hannah Schafers. Boyd Jones (Construction Manager at Risk) Emily Bannick and DA Davidson (Bond Underwriter) Andy Forney. Mr. Rother provided background information as to why the Board of Education started looking at such a project. Work the team has completed to assist the Board of Education in their decision to hold a Building Bond Election requesting not more than 49,500,000 was provided. The bond request is for the purpose of paying the cost of land acquisition and construction and acquisition of a Pre-K to 12th-grade facility and providing for the necessary furniture, equipment and apparatus for such facilities.

Mr. Rother shared and explained the current conceptual plans for the PreK-12th grade building project. These plans are still in the development stage, The tax impact of the proposed bond and what it would mean for stakeholders of the district were reviewed. Superintendent Rother informed the patrons how to estimate the tax impact and offered additional opportunities

for district stakeholders to get assistance with understanding the tax impact on their personal property.

Superintendent Rother provided historical bond and building data as well as the projected savings from being at one site. Enrollment information was provided. The bond election is scheduled for July 11, 2023 and is a mail-in election.

Throughout the presentation, the floor was open for additional public comments and questions. Questions were answered. On behalf of the Johnson County Central Board of Education, President Kim Wellensiek thanked everyone for attending the meeting.

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Arlin Beethe and second by Justin Beethe. Roll Call vote: Arlin Beethe-yes, Justin Beethe-yes, Bob Hutt-yes, Gail Hutt-yes, Plager-absent, Wellensiek-yes. Carried 5-0.

Meeting adjourned at 9:37 a.m.

The next regularly scheduled meeting will be held in the High School room 204 in Tecumseh, Nebraska at 6:00 p.m., Wednesday, June 14, 2023 and a Special Meeting to follow at 7:00 p.m. The notice of meetings will be published in the Tecumseh Chieftain and 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.