

BOE JULY 13, 2026 REGULAR BOARD MEETING

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as the High School Activity fund is created for the purpose of receiving and expending funds for student activities, including a t h l e t i c s , music, forensics, dramatics, and other board approved student e x t r a - c u r r i c u l a r activities. The fund shall be administered by the High School Principal. The High School Secretary shall keep a record of all receipts and expenditures of the fund and shall prepare and file with the Board a statement showing all receipts, expenditures, and balances at the end of each month and the end of each school year. Any person authorized to administer an activity fund shall be bonded by the school district. Funds in the activity fund shall remain district funds, but shall not be considered school money for the purposes of K.S.A. 72-8202(d), and the provisions of K.S.A. 12-105(b) shall not apply. WHEREAS, the Board of Education of Unified School District No. 274, Logan County, Kansas, h a s determined that the creation of an activity fund is an efficient method to pay expenses for student activities; and WHEREAS, Kansas law authorizes the establishment of school activity funds; NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Education of Unified School District No. 274, Logan County, Kansas, that an activity fund designated as the Middle School Activity fund is created for the purpose of receiving and expending funds for student activities, including athletics, music, forensics, dramatics, and other board approved student extra-curricular activities. The fund shall be administered by the M i d d l e School Principal. The Middle School Secretary shall keep a record of all receipts and expenditures of the fund and shall prepare and file with the Board a statement showing all receipts, expenditures, a n d balances at the end of each month and the end of each school year. Any person authorized to a d m i n i s t e r an activity fund shall be bonded by the school district. Funds in the activity fund shall remain d i s t r i c t funds, but shall not be considered school money for the purposes of K.S.A. 72-8202(d), and the provisions of K.S.A. 12-105(b) shall not apply. WHEREAS, the Board of Education of Unified School District No. 274, Logan County, Kansas, h a s determined that the creation of an activity fund is an efficient method to pay expenses for student activities; and WHEREAS, Kansas law authorizes the establishment of school activity funds; NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Education of Unified School District No. 274, Logan County, Kansas, that an activity fund designated as the Elementary Activity fund is created for the purpose o f receiving and expending funds for student activities, including athletics, music, forensics, dramatics, and other board approved

student extra-curricular activities. The fund shall be administered by the Elementary School Principal. The Elementary School Secretary shall keep a record of all receipts and expenditures of the fund and shall prepare and file with the Board a statement showing all r e c e i p t s , expenditures, and balances at the end of each month and the end of each school year. Any p e r s o n authorized to administer an activity fund shall be bonded by the school district. Funds in the a c t i v i t y fund shall remain district funds, but shall not be considered school money for the purposes of K.S.A. 72-8202(d), and the provisions of K.S.A. 12-105(b) shall not apply. BOARD POLICIES Crofts moved and Hubert seconded the motion: BE IT RESOLVED that all policy statements found in the minutes of the Board of Education prior to June 30, 2026 be rescinded, and that the Board of E d u c a t i o n adopt the policy manual as presented and recommended by the Superintendent of Schools, to govern this district during the 2026-2027 school year, subject to periodic review, amendment, and revision b y the Board of Education. Motion carried 7-0. KASB DUES & LEGAL ASSISTANCE FUND Evins moved, and Crofts seconded the motion to approve the KASB Dues & Legal Assistance Fund as presented. Motion carried 7 - 0 . KASB WORKER'S C O M P E N S A T I O N Reed moved, and Lauber seconded the motion to approve the KASB Workers' Compensation renewal as presented. Motion carried 7 - 0 . WPAA ARTS A S S O C I A T I O N Reed moved, and Crofts seconded the motion to pay the WPAA dues as presented. Motion carried 7 - 0 . FOOD SERVICE PROCUREMENT PLAN Crofts moved, and Reed seconded the motion to approve the Food Service Procurement Plan. M o t i o n carried 7-0. BREAKFAST & LUNCH P R I C I N G Evins moved, and Reed seconded the motion to keep all meal prices the same for the 26-27 school y e a r . Motion carried 7-0. OLD BUSINESS LETRS INCENTIVE Crum revisited the requirement that ELA teachers obtain the Seal of Literacy to renew their t e a c h i n g licenses. Nine teachers have completed the requirement, and the remaining teachers are expected to do so by the end of the school year. The district will apply for a grant to provide an incentive for t e a c h e r s who complete the requirement. If the grant is not awarded, the district will still need to determine a n incentive for meeting the r e q u i r e m e n t . WESTERN VISTA The board discussed the future use of the facility. Crum was directed to meet with the committee t o determine how it wishes to proceed and to request a clear written plan outlining its intended plan for the facility. The matter will remain on the Old

Business agenda until a decision is made or the issue is r e s o l v e d . NEW BUSINESS BUILDING NEEDS A S S E S S M E N T S Crum reviewed the Building Needs Assessments results for the Elementary, Middle School, and High S c h o o l . STATE ASSESSMENT R E S U L T S Crum review the data from the 25-26 state assessment results. STUDENT HANDBOOK Tabled until the August m e e t i n g . SURPLUS PROPERTY Items to be declared as surplus: 2 chiropractic tables, 2 piles of bricks, concreteslab,refrigerator, unleaded fuel tank, diesel fuel tank, 2 tool carts with tools, card catalog, electric motors, small s e w e r snake, phone tools, gasket-making material, Ecobee Thermostats, 2 carts on wheels, 3 counter t o p tables, and 2 garage doors. Hubert moved, and Crofts seconded the motion to declare the items as surplus and for the superintendent to dispose of them as deemed fit. Motion carried 7-0. D O N A T I O N S Donations received: \$40.00 from 510 Holdings LLC for the HS Activity Fund; \$200.00 from the Logan County Diversion Fund for the Oakley Educational Foundation. Evins moved, and Reed seconded the motion to approve the donations as presented. Motion carried 7-0. S H R E D D I N G Hubert moved, and Reed seconded the motion to approve the list of documents to be shredded. Motion carried 7-0. N E G O T I A T I O N S Evins moved, and Crofts seconded the motion to approve the negotiated agreement. Motion carried 7-0. CLASSIFIED SALARIES Lauber moved, and Reed seconded the motion to approve the classified salaries as presented. M o t i o n carried 7-0. P E R S O N N E L Crofts moved, and Hubert seconded the motion to go into executive session to discuss personnel pursuant to non-elected personnel exception under KOMA, and the open meeting will resume in the boardroom at 7:26 p.m. Motion carried 7-0 with Crum and Wamsley in the executive session. The b o a r d returned to the open meeting at 7:26 p.m. with no action taken in the executive session. Crofts moved, and Reed seconded the motion to go into executive session to discuss personnel p u r s u a n t to non-elected personnel exception under KOMA, and the open meeting will resume in the boardroom at 7:42 p.m. Motion carried 7-0 with Crum and Wamsley remaining in the executive session. The b o a r d returned to the open meeting at 7:42 p.m. with no action taken in the executive session. Crofts moved, and Reed seconded the motion to go into executive session to discuss personnel p u r s u a n t to non-elected personnel exception under KOMA, and the open meeting will resume in the boardroom at 7:53 p.m. Motion carried 7-0 with Crum and Wamsley remaining in the executive session. The b o a r d returned to the open meeting at 7:53 p.m. with no action taken in the executive session. Crofts moved, and Reed

seconded the motion to go into executive session to discuss personnel p u r s u a n t to non-elected personnel exception under KOMA, and the open meeting will resume in the boardroom at 7:59 p.m. Motion carried 7-0 with Crum and Wamsley remaining in the executive session. B o c k w i n k e l and Munk entered the meeting at 7:55 p.m. The board returned to the open meeting at 7:59 p.m. w i t h no action taken in the executive session. Hubert moved, and Crofts seconded the motion to approve the following recommendations for h i r e : Miranda Boyd - HS Assistant Volleyball, Mya Maxwell - MS Head Volleyball, Amy Patmon - M e n t o r , Danielle Wagoner - Mentor, Andrea Ziegler - Junior Class Head, Sherri Ryan - Junior Class Assistant, Mark Dennis - HS/MS Activities Supervisor, Kim Munk & Bridgit Bockwinkel - PLC leaders. Motion carried 7 - 0 . Hubert moved, and Crofts seconded the motion to approve the resignation of Kevin Shaw - HS Boys G o l f . Motion carried 7-0. Hubert moved, and Reed seconded the motion to approve the supplemental duty pay schedule as presented. Motion carried 7 - 0 . Scheetz adjourned the meeting at 8:05 p.m.



Rain clouds have encouraged us the last few nights, and brief showers have us hoping for more, but so far nothing that would make much difference in our current harvest outlook. The temperatures are going to be in the eighties and that will make a big difference, at least for today. Gardeners are picking, pickling, freezing, canning and eating out of the garden. Tomatoes have not set on for several weeks because of the high heat that has hung on day and night, interrupting the pollination process that begins fruit set. Even when they ripen, the deep red color is paler and looks disappointing. Things will cool off, and there could be some good returns on all that money and time spent in the garden. Some of the biggest tomato harvests are in late September into early October. We are in the last leg of this gardening season,



Loving Leftovers

Greg Doering, Kansas Farm Bureau Much of what I learned about cooking came from watching my mom and grandmother prepare meals on a daily basis. It was a matter of necessity in those days. There weren't enough restaurants in my small town to go for more than a couple of days without having to eat at the same place.

The menu at home was only slightly more varied and consisted of the standard meat, potatoes and a vegetable of some kind. Of all the meal prep, watching my mom and grandmother peel potatoes is probably the one most anchored in my mind.

A feature of nearly every dinner, each of them had plenty of practice sliding a paring knife just under the peel, removing only a small sliver of the skin. It's a skill I've never learned. I still have to use a peeler to avoid taking thick hunks out of the spud.

I also have never been able to recreate the steak gravy the way my grandmother made it. She had some technique that didn't get passed on to keep some small lumps of toasted flour in the thick concoction that was ladled over pan-fried minute steaks and mounds of mashed potatoes.

I can make a roux and get close to the taste of her gravy, but the flour is always well incorporated by the time I'm done whisking everything together. I also manage to dirty just about every dish in the kitchen when making a gravy, which is one reason it's usually reserved for a weekend meal.

One of the biggest realizations of being an adult is just how much time and effort went into keeping me fed throughout my childhood. I'm competent in the kitchen today but

sometimes I'm too willing to delegate the work to someone else.

Planning, purchasing, preparing and then cleaning up afterward are all big reasons going to a restaurant sounds good. Getting all that plus food delivered to your table is much more appealing after a day at work.

Outsourcing all the work also carries a cost, which I was reminded of recently when I looked over the menu at one of my favorite establishments to see most of the burgers were listed just under \$20, meaning that with tip they'd crossed the line from budget-friendly to expensive entrée.

It's still tasty enough to be worth it, but costly enough it's not at the top of the list when considering whether or not to cook. I can't make a better burger at home, but I can certainly make one cheaper when the rent, prep and cleaning are already accounted for and available.

The bigger issue isn't the time involved in cooking, rather it's the motivation to add yet another task at the end of the day. It's especially trying this time of year with my wife returning to teaching, altering our normal routine.

Once again, I lean on my mother and grandmother for some time-saving advice. I can't wield the paring knife to peel potatoes like they could, but I can make enough to have for lunch the next day. Turns out the secret is to cook more and learn to love leftovers.

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Hoe & Tell

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soil amendments from the big box stores. Gardeners have posted pictures of cement chunks, wire and insulation in their purchases and warned us to watch what we buy.

The name most often showing up in these comments is Miracle Grow products. For this very reason, I go straight to the

smaller, private garden centers and patronize people that are here year around. We just picked up a load of BTE, (Back To Earth)

a compost of acidified cotton burrs, packaged in Georgia. One 2 cubic foot bag will cover eight square feet two or three inches thick. Work it into the soil as you empty the veggie garden or later as you pull the annual frosted flowers. Cover the soil with grass clippings or straw and let it go to sleep for the winter. This is not a one time event. This is a yearly event, year after year and your faithfulness begins to make sense. Get started!!