

•Minutes

•KSDE is considering three finalists to fill Dr. Watson’s role. A recommendation should be available by the end of the month.

NKESC/Becky Windholz:

•NKESC is looking at an alternative to Presence Learning.

ADMINISTRATOR CONTRACTS It was moved by Eric Kinderknecht, seconded by Ashley Conness, to approve a one year extension through FY28, to the rolling two-year contracts for TCHS Principal, Shea Rothchild, and TGS/TJH Principal, Tyler Flavin. Motion carried with seven affirmative votes. (Action 26133)

SUPERINTENDENT EVALUATION The evaluation document will be sent to board members and reviewed at the next meeting.

CONSIDERATION OF DISTRICT PERSONNEL It was moved by Carey Fose, seconded by Becky Windholz, to go into executive session at 6:41 p.m., with the superintendent, TCHS principal, and TGS principal present, to discuss individual employee matters, pursuant to the non-

elected personnel exception under KOMA, and the open meeting would resume at 6:46 p.m., in the TGS conference room. Motion carried with seven affirmative votes. (Action 26125)

Todd Elsen left the meeting at 6:41 p.m.

The open meeting reconvened at 6:46 p.m.

Becky Windholz left the meeting at 6:47 p.m.

It was moved by Eric Kinderknecht, seconded by Seth Albers, to approve the nomination of Ryan Windholz to TJH Head Boys Basketball Coach (26-27). Motion carried with six affirmative votes. (Action 26135)

Becky Windholz entered the meeting at 6:48 p.m.

It was moved by Eric Kinderknecht, seconded by Seth Albers, to approve the following:

Resignations:

•Cristina Walt from TGS Paraprofessional (effective March 12, 2026)

Nominations:

•Nolan Smith to TCHS Head Boys Basketball Coach (26-27)

•Lance Ziegler to TCHS Head Girls Basketball Coach (26-27)

•Lauren Keyser to TJH Head Girls Basketball

Coach (26-27)

•Michael Malay to TCHS Head Wrestling Coach (26-27)

•Jeff Hafliger to TJH Head Wrestling Coach (26-27)

•Hunter Price to TJH Assistant Boys Basketball Coach (26-27)

•Dan Wynn to TCHS Assistant Wrestling Coach (26-27)

•Jeremy Samson to TCHS Assistant Wrestling Coach (26-27)

•Nikki Hemel to TCHS Assistant Girls Basketball Coach (26-27)

•Lane Fischer to TJH Reading Teacher (26-27)

•Brady Bouchee to Reading Interventionist (26-27)

•Megan Schleicher to TGS Preschool Teacher (26-27)

Motion carried with seven affirmative votes. (Action 26136)

STAFFING LEVEL UPDATES FOR 2026-27 SCHOOL YEAR The board was presented with an overview of the district's current teaching staff and possible changes for the next school year.

SUMMER LUNCH PROGRAM The district will offer summer lunches

from June 1-25, 2026, Monday through Thursday, at TGS, through the Seamless Summer Option with KSDE.

K-12 READING CURRICULUM It was moved by Becky Windholz, seconded by Carey Fose, to approve the \$94,773.60 quote from Savvas Learning Company for the purchase and adoption of myPerspectives English Language Arts and myView Literacy as the district’s K-12 reading curriculum. Motion carried with seven affirmative votes. (Action 26137)

NEGOTIATIONS It was moved by Eric Kinderknecht, seconded by Ashley Conness, to go into executive session at 7:02 p.m., with the superintendent present, to discuss negotiations items, pursuant to the employer-employee negotiations exception under KOMA, and the open meeting would resume at 7:07

p.m., in the TGS conference room. Motion carried with seven affirmative votes. (Action 26138)

The open meeting reconvened at 7:07 p.m.

It was moved by Eric Kinderknecht, seconded by Ashley Conness, to go into executive session at 7:08 p.m., with the superintendent present, to discuss negotiations items, pursuant to the employer-employee negotiations exception under KOMA, and the open meeting would resume at 7:13 p.m., in the TGS conference room. Motion carried with seven affirmative votes. (Action 26139)

The open meeting reconvened at 7:13 p.m.

It was moved by Eric Kinderknecht, seconded by Ashley Conness, to go into executive session at 7:14 p.m., with the superintendent present, to discuss negotiations items, pursuant to the employer-employee ne-

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gotiations exception under KOMA, and the open meeting would resume at 7:19 p.m., in the TGS conference room. Motion carried with seven affirmative votes. (Action 26140)

The open meeting reconvened at 7:19 p.m.

BOARD MEMBER MEETING REPORTS None

ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION ON THE MAY AGENDA

•Summer school

•Superintendent evaluation

•Electronic devices policy

•Open enrollment policy

ADJOURNMENT It

was moved by Seth Albers, seconded by Ashley Conness, to adjourn the meeting at 7:21 p.m. Motion carried with seven affirmative votes. (Action 26141)

Clayton Wilson, President; Kasandra Bliss, Clerk

USD 208

MINUTES Of Regular Meeting Of Unified School Board No. 208 WaKeeney, Kansas. Held at TGS Conference Room, 612 Junction Ave. May 11, 2026

CALL TO ORDER The meeting was called to order by Clayton Wilson at 5:29 p.m.

ROLL CALL On order of the President, the Clerk recorded attendance as follows: Members: Clayton Wilson, Ashley Conness, Carey Fose, Becky Windholz, Mike Kriegshauser, Eric Kinderknecht; Members Absent: Seth Albers (in at 5:29 p.m.); Superintendent: Matt Smith; Administration: Shea Rothchild-TCHS Principal, Tyler Flavin-TGS Principal; Clerk: Kasandra Bliss; Guests: Jennifer Elsen

All in attendance stood for the Pledge of Allegiance.

Seth Albers entered the meeting at 5:29 p.m.

ADDITIONS/DELETIONS TO THE CONSENT AGENDA

Additions: Item 7 Communications & Petitions:

•\$94.50 donation from Dusty Billinger toward food service debt

•Thank you from Phil & Patti Sandelin for Staff Appreciation Week treats

•Thank you from Tina Walt for Staff Appreciation Week treats

Item 13 Consideration of District Personnel:

•Resignation of Jeff Hafliger from TJH Head Football Coach (end 25-26)

•Nomination of Tina Walt to Summer School Teacher (June 2026)

•Nomination of Shelli Jones to Summer School Teacher (June 2026)

APPROVAL OF THE CONSENT AGENDA It was moved by Becky Windholz, seconded by Mike Kriegshauser, to approve the consent agenda as amended, the minutes of the April 13, 2026 regular board meeting, the Clerk’s Check Register, including Lyons Federal Bank checks 2334-2384 and automatic checks 10166-10169 totaling \$348,388.10, the Treasurer’s Report, and the activity account reports. Motion carried with seven affirmative votes. (Action 26142)

COMMUNICATIONS AND PETITIONS It was moved by Ashley Conness, seconded by Eric Kinderknecht, to accept the following:

•\$894.00 cash donation from the WaKeeney community toward FCA

•\$28.90 donation from Box Tops for Education to-

ward TGS classes

•\$95.40 donation from Dusty Billinger toward food service debt

•Thank you from TCLMH for use of one of our projector screens

•Thank you from Phil & Patti Sandelin for Staff Appreciation Week treats

•Thank you from Tina Walt for Staff Appreciation Week treats

Motion carried with seven affirmative votes. (Action 26143)

REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

TCHS/Shea Rothchild:

•**Building Report:**

*The TCHS Building Leadership Team’s final meeting of the year is on May 13th.

*Course registration and the course schedule for next school year are complete.

*The new ELA curriculum has arrived and been distributed for teachers to review.

*The school year is ending well. Teachers and students are finishing their last tests, projects, and assignments.

•**Student Sports & Activities Report:**

*Spring activities have started, or will soon, their post-season competition.

*Congratulations to the TCHS Boys Tennis doubles team, Camdyn Flavin and Mason Yingling, on their state tournament qualification.

*Congratulations to Madigan Hille, Connie Ross, Kaden Boomer, and Bailey Ziegler for qualifying for the State Forensics Championship and Festival on May 2nd.

•Thank you to the Board members who helped on stage at graduation.

TGS/Tyler Flavin:

•**TGS Student Activities:**

*4th grade field trip to Sternberg Museum

*3rd grade field trip to McCarty Dairy

*2nd grade field trip to Cedar Bluff State Park

*1st grade field trip to Ellis Railroad Museum and bowling

*Kindergarten had their car races and Mother’s Day Tea with their moms

*The Mobile Museum, sponsored by Dane G Hansen, provided students with a variety of hands-on activities, including arts, engineering, and math.

*Olympic Gold Medalist, Kaillie Humphries, spoke to the student body in early May.

•**TJH Student Activities Report:**

*The junior high track season will end with the MCEL meet on May 12th.

*5th - 8th grade field trips are May 13th to the

Strataca Salt Museum and Cosmosphere in Hutchinson and Boot Hill in Dodge City.

*The summer weight room schedule has been shared with students.

*Sign-up sheets for fall activities have been posted.

•**Building Report:**

*The Building Leadership Team has met to discuss:

•The six-month and one-year KESA targets.

•Fastbridge data and curriculum adjustment considerations.

•State Assessment scores and data.

•Intervention support needed for pre-school and kindergarten students.

•A working document to help onboard new staff in the district.

*The new reading curriculum has arrived and been distributed to teachers for review.

*The summer school schedule is being developed.

*Shared the pre-school survey results from parents regarding the implementation of a 5-day school week next year.

District/Matt Smith:

•Reviewed the law enforcement officer log.

•Reviewed the cell phone bill policy needs.

•The State Board of Education meeting is this week.

•Discussed the possibility of holding a special meeting to review board goals.

•Reviewed the unencumbered cash balances.

•Reviewed the vehicle mileage report.

SUPERINTENDENT EVALUATION Not all board members have completed the evaluation, so it will be reviewed at a later meeting.

CONSIDERATION OF DISTRICT PERSONNEL It was moved by Becky Windholz, seconded by Carey Fose, to go into executive session at 6:00 p.m., with the superintendent and TGS principal present, to discuss individual employee matters, pursuant to the non-elected personnel exception under KOMA, and the open meeting would resume at 6:05 p.m., in the TGS conference room. Motion carried with seven affirmative votes. (Action 26144)

The open meeting reconvened at 6:05 p.m.

It was moved by Mike Kriegshauser, seconded by Eric Kinderknecht, to approve the following:

•**Resignations:**

•Parker Opat from TJH Assistant Wrestling Coach

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The Gove County Fair Board
Invites You To the Gove County Fair!
July 13-16, 2026

Facilities open for public viewing from 9:00 a.m. through the evening programs July 13-16		
Concession Stand ran by Broken Handle & Meraki Market Open all week for Breakfast, Lunch, and Dinner		
All Open Class Judging will immediately follow 4-H Judging Except Foods		
Friday, July 10	10 a.m.	Sewing & Textiles & Shopping in Style Judging-St. Agnes Educational Center
Monday, July 13	7-9:00 a.m. 9:00 a.m. 1 pm-8pm	Check-In for 4-H & Open Class Horse Show Horse Show Life Skills Judging Contest Photography Judging Contest Entomology Judging Contest Ag Challenge of Champions Contest Photography & Visual Arts/Crafts Exhibit Judging
Tuesday, July 14	7-9 a.m. 9:30 a.m. 10:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m. 1:30 p.m. 2:00 p.m. 3:30 p.m. 5:30 p.m.	Check-In Livestock (Trailers on site by 8:30 a.m.) Opening Ceremony—Smoky River 4-H Club Judging of remaining inside projects Judging Booth & Banner Exhibits Check-In Rabbits & Poultry Rabbit & Poultry Show Nex-Tech Train Livestock Judging Contest
Wednesday, July 15	7-8:30 a.m. 8:00 a.m. 8:30 a.m. 9:00 a.m. 9:00 a.m. 2:00 p.m. 3:30 p.m. 5-7 p.m.	Enter Foods Projects Open Class Livestock Check-In (Swine, Sheep, Goats) Judge Open Class Foods Small Animal Livestock Judging (Swine, Sheep, Goats) Judge 4-H Foods Pet Show-Hand & Aquarium Pets, Cats, etc. Nex-Tech Train Tallest Corn Plant Contest—Nutrien Ag Systems KIDS ONLY 3-18 years old) Sign-up for Siruta Pedal Pull Contest Siruta Pedal Pull Contest Food Auction, Public Style Revue, & inside Champion Presentations Rocket Launch (weather permitting) Barnyard Olympics – Quinter FFA
Thursday, July 16	8:00 a.m. 9:00 a.m. 1:00 p.m. 1-6 p.m. 1-8 p.m. 3:30 p.m. 5:30 p.m.	Open Class Beef Check-In (bucket calf, return bucket calf, breeding beef, steers, etc) Beef Livestock Show (bucket calf, return bucket calf, breeding beef, steers, etc) Round Robin (Sr. Division Only) Activities for All Ages Promote Your Business Day Booths Nex-Tech Train BBQ Appreciation Meal-Free Will Donation-Meat provided by – Broken Handle Livestock Trophy & Gove Co. Fair Board Scholarship Presentations Celebrity Pig Showmanship Livestock Auction, Fair Board Pie & Gary Evans Memorial Cookie Jar Sale
Open Class Fee: \$5.00/per class: entry fee due upon receipt of entry card		
To enter in the Open Class, just put the letter "O" in front of the number designated for 4-H Class. (i.e.: 4-H CLASS 17 would be O-17 in Open Class)		
ALL PROJECTS ARE OPEN CLASS WITH THE EXCEPTION OF Banners, Booths, Rocketry, Round Robin, and Shooting Sports		
Open Class Horse must have Coggins Test Paper and Open Livestock must have vet check papers.		