

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

December 11, 2024  
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 4-8 Principal; Rick Lester, High School Principal; Garret Collin, Activities Director,

5 Visitors were present

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The Johnson County School District No. 0050 Board of Education met in regular session at 6:00 p.m., Wednesday, December 11, 2024 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, the Tecumseh and Cook Post offices, and on the Johnson County Central Public Schools website at [www.jccentral.org](http://www.jccentral.org). 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-yes, Bob Hutt-present, Gail Hutt-present, Plager-present, Wellensiek-present.

A motion was made by Arlin Beethe and seconded by Justin Beethe to approve the November, 2024, regular Board of Education Meeting Minutes as presented. Roll call vote: Arlin Beethe-yes, Justin Beethe-yes, Bob Hutt-yes, Gail Hutt-yes, Plager-yes, Wellensiek-yes Carried 6-0.

A motion was made by Plager and seconded by Arlin Beethe to approve the December 2024, financial report and General Fund claims for payment in the amount of \$811,077.95, and the Building Fund claim in the amount of \$1,373.00 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-** None

**PRESENTATION TO THE BOARD**

Superintendent Rother provided information regarding the Annual financial Literacy Report. Mr. Rother also presented the results of AQuESTT Report. (Nebraska's Accountability for Quality Education System, Today and Tomorrow) This is the tool used to measure the effectiveness of school districts and the schools within the district. Discussion was held.

The results of the 2024 Fall Perceptual Survey were provided by Mr. Rother. This survey provides information regarding how students, parents, and staff feel about the school district.

## **PRINCIPALS' REPORTS**

Principal Lester reported on the following:

- ASVAB Test
- ACT Study Nights
- Choir / Graduation robes

Principal Bacon reported on the following:

- Winter Concert grades 4-8- December 13<sup>th</sup>
  - NSCAS assessments
  - JH boys basketball
  - JH girls wrestling ECNC medal winners
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## **ACTIVITY DIRECTOR REPORT**

Activity Director Garrett Collin reported on the following:

- NSAA Winter Moratorium- Dec. 22<sup>nd</sup> – December 26<sup>th</sup>
- Basketball Holiday Tournament- Dec.- 27<sup>th</sup>, 28<sup>th</sup>, Weeping Water
- Mudecas Basketball Tournament – Jan. 13<sup>th</sup> -18<sup>th</sup>, Beatrice
- ECNC Volleyball All-Conference honors
- ECNC Football All-Conference honors
- Bowling Coach – Lisa Schuster

## **SUPERINTENDENT REPORT**

Superintendent Rother provided information on the following:

- Elementary Thunderbirds of the Month recognized.
- Elementary and Middle school curriculum
- NDOT "Name the Snowplow" honors to Carsyn Gregory
- City of Tecumseh daycare update
- Precision Concrete work in progress
- Backpack Program – Lincoln Foodbank
- CDL program- Holyoke Colorado

## **FUTURE DATES**

- 2025 NRSA Spring Conference – March 19-21, Kearney
- 2025 NASB Federal Advocacy Trip – March 16-19, Washington DC

## **DISCUSSION**

Discussion was held pertaining to the priorities for JCC facilities as determined by the Building Committee in the fall of 2023.

## **REGULAR AGENDA BUSINESS**

Andre Rautenbach; Kudu Lawn Care, was present to discuss dirt work and re-seeding areas of the football field. Discussion was held. No action was taken at this time.

A motion was made by Plager and second by Bob Hutt to accept the letter of resignation effective at the end of the 2024-2025 school year from Lisa Schuster due to retirement. Accepted with regrets. Roll call vote: Bob Hutt-yes, Gail Hutt-yes, Plager-yes, Wellensiek-yes, Arlin Beethe-yes, Justin Beethe-yes, Carried 6-0.

A motion was made by Arlin Beethe and second by Gail Hutt to accept the letter of resignation effective at the conclusion of the 2024-2025 school year, from Robin Heidemann due to retirement. Accepted with regrets. Roll call vote: Gail Hutt-yes, Plager-yes, Wellensiek-yes, Arlin Beethe-yes, Justin Beethe-yes, Bob Hutt-yes. Carried 6-0.

A motion was made by Rebecca Plager and second by Arlin Beethe to approve the teaching contract of Miss Anna Koehler for the second semester of the 2024-25 school year as presented. Roll call vote: Plager-yes, Wellensiek-yes, Arlin Beethe-yes, Justin Beethe-yes, Bob Hutt-yes, Gail Hutt-yes, Carried 6-0.

The following policies were reviewed with no revisions needed. **Policy 3045-** Use of Sniffer Dogs; **Policy 3046-** Animals at School; **Policy 4054-** Reporting Child Abuse or Neglect; **Policy 4057-** Superintendent Evaluation; **Policy 5040-** Work Permits ; **Policy 5041-** Student Government; **Policy 6032-** Constitution Day Education; **Policy 6033-** Seclusion and Restraint.

A motion was by Justin Beethe and second by Gail Hutt to approve the policy updates to **Policy 2008-** Meetings; and **Policy-3004.1-** Fiscal Management for Purchasing and Procurement Using Federal Funds. These policy updates were provided by KSB School Law. Roll call vote: Wellensiek-yes, Arlin Beethe-yes, Justin Beethe-yes, Bob Hutt-yes, Gail Hutt-yes, Plager-yes. Carried 6-0.

Superintendent Rother and Director of Operations, Russ Waring facilitated a discussion regarding the HVAC units in the high school and repairs needed. No action taken at this time.

Discussion was held regarding a future building project for Johnson County Central Public Schools. No action was taken

President Wellensiek declared a recess at 6:50 p.m.

President Wellensiek called the meeting back to order at 6:54 p.m.

A motion was made by Arlin Beethe and second by Bob Hutt to enter executive session for the purpose of discussing negotiations for the 2025-2026 school year. Roll call vote: Arlin Beethe-yes, Justin Beethe-yes, Bob Hutt-yes, Gail Hutt-yes, Plager-yes, Wellensiek-yes. Carried 6-0.

Entered executive session at 6:54 p.m.

A motion was made by Justin Beethe and second by Bob Hutt to leave executive session. Roll call vote: Justin Beethe-yes, Bob Hutt-yes, Gail Hutt-yes, Plager-yes, Wellensiek-yes, Arlin Beethe-yes.

Left executive session at 7:14 p.m.

President Wellensiek and the Board of Education went over Superintendent Rother's annual evaluation. The evaluation was reviewed and discussion was held. No action was taken.

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

Meeting adjourned at 7:23 p.m.

The next regular Board of Education meeting will be Wednesday January 8, 2025. The notices of meetings 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 as well as the Johnson County Central Public Schools website at [www.jccentral.org](http://www.jccentral.org). A current copy of the agenda will be available for inspection in the office of the Superintendent prior to the meeting.