

**Board of Education
Pawnee Community Unit School District #11
Wednesday, September 22, 2021
6:00 p.m. – Closed Session, Unit Office
7:00 p.m. – Budget Hearing, Cafeteria
Following Budget Hearing – Regular Session, Cafeteria**

Action 1. Call to Order and Roll Call

President Ward called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Members present: Clarke, Kern, McTaggart, Megginson, Morell, Ward, Wort

Members absent:

Administrators Present: Cameron, Hennemann, Kratochvil, and Recording Secretary Roseberry

Info 2. Request Closed Session to discuss the employment, compensation, resignation of specific employees of the District, collective bargaining matters between the District and its employees or their representative, student discipline and to discuss pending or probable litigation as provided by 5/ILCS120/2(C)1,2,9, and 11.

Motion: Go into executive session for the stated purpose.

Motion: Wort

Second: McTaggart

Ayes: Clarke, Kern, McTaggart, Megginson, Morell, Ward, Wort

President Ward declared the meeting open at 7:05 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE-please stand if able

3. Budget Hearing

Info 3.1 2021-2022 Budget Hearing

President Ward called the Budget Hearing to order at 7:06 p.m.

Members present: Clarke, Kern, McTaggart, Megginson, Morell, Ward, Wort

Members absent:

Motion: Close budget hearing at 7:13 p.m.

Motion: Kern

Second: Clarke

Ayes: Clarke, Kern, McTaggart, Megginson, Morell, Ward, Wort

President Ward declared the meeting open at 7:13 p.m.

Action 4. Communications

Thank You cards received from Sharolyn Bradley, Kedra Brown and Tanya Walker.

Info 5. PTO and Student Council updates

Leanne Gehrs reported that the PTO is wrapping up the Club's Choice Fall Fundraiser. The pizza party reward was held on September 18th and the ice cream reward will be held on September 24th.

Action 6. Approval of Minutes

Action 6.1 Approve special board meeting minutes of August 26, 2021

Tabled until next board meeting.

Action 7. Approval of Financial Reports and Expenditures

Action 7.1 Consideration and approval of financial reports and expenditures

Motion: Approve the financial reports and expenditures of \$118,402.75 and addendum bills of \$4,924.86.

Motion: Kern

Second: Wort

Ayes: Clarke, Kern, McTaggart, Megginson, Morell, Wort, Ward

Info 8. Recognition of Visitors

Dan Cobb, Alli Brumleve, Paige High, Tim Teeter, Brian Byers, Ashley Sopich and Vaughn Bandy spoke in behalf of Jeff Jarrett.

Info 9. Administrative Reports

Reports herein attached.

Hennemann reported: Teacher evaluations have begun; there have been a few positive cases of COVID in the grade school. Contact-tracing has been done in each case and the families have been notified; there will be a Pre-k compliance visit sometime this year; Teachers have wrapped up beginning of the year benchmarking data for math and reading. Many students are behind where we should be in reading and math. The number of students below the expected level in first and second grade are especially high. We have contacted parents and have started our intervention times. We will continue to focus on math and reading improvement in the grade school. Leanne Gehrs reported that some strategies we are using to help is pushing into younger grade classrooms to help with guided reading, using small group RTI lessons and using our phonics system.

Kratochvil reported: Congratulations to the August Student of the Month, Senior Jordan Watts; the Junior High Softball team won the Regional and Sectional Championships. They will play for State placement in Normal on September 24th; SAT for the Seniors is scheduled for October 13th at Pawnee Assembly of God; PSAT for the Juniors is scheduled for October 26th at Pawnee Assembly of God; FASFA Completion Workshop for Senior Parents/Guardians will be in October; we are beginning to have College/Military Representative in-person visits again; we have started using the TeacherEase Messenger System; we will review the Athletic Directors Evaluation Tool.

Steffen reported: JH baseball season has ended; JH softball won the Regional and Sectional Championships and will play for State placement on September 24th. There will be a JH Pep Rally for the JH Softball team; HS Football is currently 3-1; HS Volleyball County Tournament will be September 25th; practice for JH Girls' Basketball started last week. There are 18 girls out in 6th – 8th grades; HS Cheerleading has rescheduled the Mini Cheer performance to September 25th; HS Cheerleading did a great job decorating Route 104 for Homecoming; JH Cheerleading starts on September 23rd.

Cameron reported: Thank you to Dollar General for donating water bottles; School Board Conference is still scheduled to happen; the anticipated budget for the year looks very favorable. We will apply for the Maintenance Grant. This is a 50/50 grant with the State with each matching up to \$50,000.00.

10. Old Business

Action 10.1 Consideration and approval of non-certified handbook

Motion: Approve the non-certified handbook as presented.

Tabled for further discussion.

11. New Business

Action 11.1 Consideration and approval of non-certified resignation

Motion: Accept the resignation of Chelsi Sitze as grade school secretary.

Motion: Kern

Second: Clarke

Ayes: Wort, McTaggart, Ward, Kern, Morell, Megginson, Clarke

Action 11.2 Consideration and approval of non-certified resignation

Motion: Accept the resignation of Jackie Bridges-Knapp as paraprofessional.

Motion: Wort

Second: Megginson

Ayes: Clarke, Kern, McTaggart, Megginson, Morell, Ward, Wort

Action 11.3 Consideration and approval of high school RTI instructors

Motion: Approve hiring Casara Marsaglia and Alicia Butler as high school RTI instructors.

Motion: Kern

Second: Morell

Ayes: Ward, McTaggart, Wort, Clarke, Megginson, Kern, Morell

Action 11.4 Consideration and approval to hire grade school secretary

Motion: Approve hiring Mykenzie Greer as grade school secretary pending background check results.

Motion: Wort

Second: Megginson

Ayes: Kern, Clarke, McTaggart, Wort, Ward, Megginson, Morell

Action 11.5 Consideration and approval to hire an aide

Motion: Approve hiring Emma Conroy and Kayla Ridge as elementary paraprofessionals pending background check results.

Motion: Megginson

Second: Wort

Ayes: Wort, Ward, Morell, Megginson, McTaggart, Kern, Clarke

Action 11.6 Consideration and approval of volunteer high school volleyball coach

Motion: Approve Alicia Butler as volunteer high school volleyball coach.

Motion: Clarke

Second: Megginson

Ayes: Clarke, Kern, McTaggart, Megginson, Morell, Ward, Wort

Action 11.7 Consideration and approval to hire non-certified extra-curricular positions

Motion: Approve hiring Dalton Doerfler as 7th grade basketball coach.

Tabled for further discussion.

Action 11.8 Consideration and approval of recommendation of high school softball coach
Motion: Approve re-hiring Jeff Jarrett as high school softball coach.

Motion: Ward

Second: Kern

Ayes: Clarke, Kern, McTaggart, Megginson, Morell, Ward, Wort

Action 11.9 Consideration and approval of school maintenance grant

Motion: Approve the school maintenance grant.

Motion: Wort

Second: Morell

Ayes: Wort, Ward, Morell, Megginson, McTaggart, Kern, Clarke

Action 11.10 Consideration and approval of board committees

President Ward appointed board committees (listing herein attached)

<u>Board Union</u>	<u>Curriculum</u>	<u>School Safety</u>	<u>Board Policy</u>	<u>Building/Grounds/Trans.</u>
Megginson	Wort	Morell	McTaggart	Clarke
Kern	Clarke	McTaggart	Megginson	Kern

Action 11.11 Adoption of 2021-2022 budget

Motion: Adopt the 2021-2022 budget.

Motion: Megginson

Second: Kern

Ayes: Clarke, Kern, McTaggart, Megginson, Morell, Ward, Wort

Action 11.12 Consideration and approval of administrative compensation

Motion: Approve administrative compensation as presented.

Tabled for further discussion.

Motion: Return to Executive Session at 8:31 p.m.

Motion: Clarke

Second: Kern

Ayes: Kern, Morell, Wort, Megginson, McTaggart, Ward, Clarke

President Ward declared the meeting open at 11:55 p.m.

Motion: Seal the minutes of Executive Session.

Motion: Megginson

Second: Clarke

Ayes: Wort, Morell, Kern, Megginson, McTaggart, Ward, Clarke

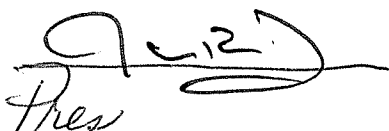
Action 12. Adjournment

Motion: Adjourn the meeting at 11:56 p.m.

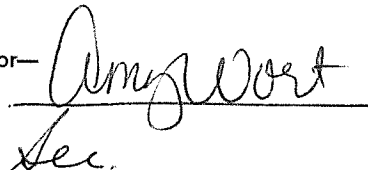
Motion: McTaggart

Second: Kern

Ayes: McTaggart, Wort, Clarke, Ward, Megginson, Morell, Kern


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Next regular meeting of the Board of Education is scheduled for—
Wednesday, October 20, 2021
Pawnee School Cafeteria
6:00 p.m.—executive session
7:00 p.m. - regular session


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