Minutes of the Meeting of the Board of Education, Unified School District No. 466,

704 S. College Street, Scott City, Kansas, Monday, March 10, 2025

The Board of Education of Unified School District No. 466 met in regular session on Monday, March 10, 2025, at 7:00 p.m. in the Administration Building Board Room, 704 S. College, Scott City, KS, with the following members present:

Julia Cheney, Elizabeth Cox, Debbie Drohman, Mindi Edwards, Scott Noll, and Andy Trout.

Others present were Cheryl Kucharik, Dr. Shawn Roberts, Corbin Janssen, Aaron Dirks, Christine Cupp, Millie Dearden, Norene Rohrbough, Adam Kadavy, Jamie Rumford, Superintendent and Suzanne Hess, Board Clerk.

President Andy Trout called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Motion to Adopt the Agenda

Scott Noll made a motion to approve the agenda as presented. Elizabeth Cox seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Comments from the Public

Millie Dearden shared information on the Farm Bureau Steer of the Month program and how it is saving the district \$1300 per month and the savings goes towards more fresh fruits and vegetables.

Millie Dearden, Christine Cupp, and Norene Rohrbough left at 7:06 p.m.

Board Representative Reports

Debbie Drohman reported on the High Plains Educational Cooperative meeting. They hired a new director for the 2025-2026 school year.

Julia Cheney reported on the Northwest Fort Hays Tech meeting. Their wrestling team is 4th place overall at nationals; trap shooting is winning almost all of their meets; the president has accepted a position externally and NWFHT will begin search for a new president.

Administrative Reports

Dr. Shawn Roberts, Scott City Elementary School Principal, shared there is an open house tomorrow, Go Far starts after spring break, and kindergarten round up is on April 9, 2025.

Aaron Dirks, Scott Community High School Principal, shared info on planning for next year, applying for a KS Beef Council grant which would be used in FACS class, and 1800 people in attendance at substate Saturday.

Courtney McEachern joined at 7:10 p.m.

Corbin Janssen, Scott Community High School Assistant Principal/Activity Director, informed the board that winter sports season wrapped up and now starting spring practice.

Superintendent Rumford reported:

- Several staff and administrators will attend a school visit in Oakley for School Improvement Day which is required by KESA as part of the continued accreditation process.
- The website host expires at the end of this year and the district is reviewing new vendors.
- A dashboard is being considered to include data which would assist the district see if we are meeting our goals in line with the strategic plan.
- Open enrollment capacity is required by law to set by May 1 and the Board will determine this during April meeting.
- April Professional Development Day will include a recognition program for staff retiring and length of service. The Board is invited to attend.

Dustin Hughes joined at 7:16 p.m.

Dustin Hughes, Scott City Middle School Assistant Principal/Activity Director, informed the Board that track participation is up. There is a math competition today with most of the GWAC schools for 6th, 7th, and 8th grade.

Treasurer's Report, Bills Payable and Financials

Debbie Drohman made a motion to pay the bills as presented check numbers 72867 – 72967, Wire Transfers 70340 - 70352 in the amount of \$1,500,382.61. Mindi Edwards seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

Transfers

Mindi Edwards made a motion to approve transfers in the amount of \$2,130,4726.00. Elizabeth Cox seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

Consent Agenda

Scott Noll made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda pulling the Driver's Education Program approval, Summer Weights Program approval and adding to the previous minutes that Courtney McEachern and Cheryl Kucharik left at 11:34 a.m. Debbie Drohman seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Consent Agenda Items approved were:

- A. Approval of Previous Minutes March 10, 2025
- B. Drivers' Education Program Approval
- C. Summer Weights Program Approval

Consideration of Items Pulled from the Consent Agenda

- A. Drivers' Education Program Approval
- B. Summer Weights Program Approval

The Board discussed the costs of Driver's Education and the Summer Weights program.

Debbie Drohman made a motion to approve the dates held for the Driver's Education Program and

Summer Weights Program. Mindi Edwards seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Board Matters

A. Technology Bid Approval

Scott Noll made a motion to approve the technology bid of two hypervisor servers for Nextech in the amount of \$26,204.44. Elizabeth Cox seconded the motion. The motion passed with a 6-0 vote.

Katie Eisenhour joins at 7:45 p.m.

B. Math Curriculum Adoption Approval

Elizabeth Cox made a motion to approve the math curriculum as presented. Debbie Drohman seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Shane Faurot and Nicole Martin joined 7:48 p.m.

C. Policy Update Approval

Elizabeth Cox made a motion to approve the KGA policy as presented. Mindi Edwards seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Public Comment (cont.)

Katie Eisenhour Cordell, agent, working on behalf of SCDG LLC, presented information regarding a rural housing incentive district. Shane Faurot presented information on the location for this project.

Jana Irvin joined at 7:55 p.m.

Katie Eisenhour, Shane Faurot, and Nicole Martin left at 8:12 p.m.

EXECUTIVE SESSION – Non-Elected Personnel

Julia Cheney made a motion that the Board go into executive session to discuss matters relating to non-elected personnel, pursuant to the non-elected personnel exception under KOMA for thirty-five (35) minutes with the open meeting to resume in the board meeting room at 8:53 p.m. Superintendent Rumford, Jana Irvin, Dustin Hughes, Dr. Shawn Roberts, Aaron Dirks and Corbin Janssen were included in the session. Elizabeth Cox seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Jana Irvin, Dustin Hughes, Dr. Shawn Roberts, Aaron Dirks and Corbin Janssen left at 8:52 p.m.

The meeting resumed in open session at 8:53 p.m.

EXECUTIVE SESSION - Non-Elected Personnel

Julia Cheney made a motion that the Board go into executive session to discuss matters relating to non-elected personnel, pursuant to the non-elected personnel exception under KOMA for thirty (30) minutes with the open meeting to resume in the board meeting room at 9:27 p.m. Suzanne Hess was included in the session. Elizabeth Cox seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

The meeting resumed in open session at 9:27 p.m.

Approve Resignations and Hires

Mindi Edwards made a motion to approve the resignations/hires as listed below. Elizabeth Cox seconded the motion and it passed 6-0.

Hires: Kaleb Roberts – Maintenance

Marybell Arellano Espinoza - Custodian

Retirements: Carol Latham – Food Service

Julie Williams – Food Service

Resignations: Hugo Cano – HS Business Teacher

Kevin Walter - HS FACS Teacher

Arleen Runion – Custodian

Luz Armendariz – HS Paraprofessional

EXECUTIVE SESSION – Negotiations

Julia Cheney made a motion that the Board go into executive session to discuss matters relating to employer-employee negotiations, pursuant to the employer-employee exception under KOMA for fifteen (15) minutes with the open meeting to resume in the board meeting room at 9:48 p.m. Superintendent Rumford was included in the session. Scott Noll seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

The meeting resumed in open session at 9:48 p.m.

Open Discussion

The board discussed SCMS parking lot and lighting, rural housing incentive development, memorials, updating board room, and Healy transition.

Adjournment

Julia Cheney made a motion to adjourn. Elizabeth Cox seconded the motion and it carried unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 10:10 pm.

Board President