

**USD #384 BLUE VALLEY RANDOLPH  
REGULAR BOARD MEETING  
November 10, 2025 @ 6:00 p.m.**

**EXCERPTS of USD #384 Regular Board of Education Meeting**

A Regular Board of Education meeting for USD #384 Blue Valley was held on November 10, 2025, at 6:00 p.m. in the Board Room. Members present were Reo Shultz, Jason Hartman, Tim Innes, and Melissa Geisler. Administration present was Rex Boley, Superintendent; Caitlin Combest, MES Principal; Robert Green, HS Principal; and Alison Moore, Board Clerk.

**CALL TO ORDER:** President, Reo Shultz, called the meeting to order at 6:02 p.m.

**APPROVE THE AGENDA:** The Board approved the agenda with the change of adding a bill under receipts; Jason moved to approve the agenda; Tim seconded; motion passed 4-0.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** Board and guests recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

**WELCOME GUESTS:** President, Reo Shultz, welcomed our guests.

**POSITIVE BOARD COMMENTS:**

- Titus Cobb and Parker Montgomery did well at State.
- HS Volleyball did well in sub-state.
- Kudos to FFA, 4th graders, and grade school kiddos for representing Veteran's Day.
- Good to see so many FFA members go to Nationals.

**SPECIAL REPORTS: NONE**

**OPEN FORUM:**

- Sara Tarpoff at parent-teacher conference proud of her kid but sad with what school is doing. Still no para in 4th and 5th grade - here in the morning but no longer than Grow Time. Even if para could stay until lunch then that would help 4th and 5th grade instead of "leaving them on an island". KITE testing scores are not accessible through teachers, as they don't have access. GROW Time is only reading still - over 200 minutes for ELA and only 1 hour for math time. Students don't gain the skills needed for higher grade math. There is no transition time between classes - they don't get a full hour of math with having to transition over to lunch. There is no counselor for 4th and 5th grade which is a loss. When the discussion of moving 4th grade over to MS, it was all about support but now it's only 2 teachers supporting each other at this time.

**CONSENT AGENDA:**

- Approve minutes of October 13, 2025 Regular meeting
- Receipts & Warrants - added Blades and Spades invoice
- Hirings:
  - o MS Assistant Girls Basketball Coach - Lacy Peterson

- Resignations: Jim Nelson - part time maintenance
- Substitute Teachers:
  - Ruth Hutson
- Transition position:

Melissa moved to accept the consent agenda including the added invoice; Tim seconded; motion passed 4-0.

#### **PRINCIPALS REPORTS:**

- MES: Conferences had 99% attendance rate; book fair resulting in \$3,200 sales which resulted in each classroom getting \$150 each to purchase books; pumpkin patch was cancelled due to rain but ended up going to the zoo. Today was the Veteran's program and there were 20+ Veterans present.
- MS/HS: CTE departments received \$17,383 grant that will be utilized for Science and Veterinary training labs; Juniors attended the college fair in MHK last week and then went bowling for their reward for winning the spirit competition during homecoming week.

#### **SUPERINTENDENT REPORT:**

- Information night at Manhattan Catholic school for high schools in the area to come and allow parents to see what each school offers. Unfortunately, Deb hit a deer with bus 1010, luckily no kids were on board but did cause damage. Newest bus purchased from Louisburg will have some items fixed on it and will take about 2 weeks.

#### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

- KASB Annual Convention: Reminder of Nov 14-16 in Wichita.
- Business/Technology Position: Putting together a survey to gauge interest in future classes and the need to hire for the position.
- Block Schedule: parents have been emailed their survey as of today; teachers have been sent their survey; students will be emailed their survey on Friday.
- Superintendent Evaluation: will discuss during executive session
- Asphalt Project - Randolph Campus: Mr Boley recommends accepting the bid from Shilling and to do all 3 sections. Question of yellow area of door to the gym being used and dragging in rocks and dust; then how easy it is for emergency vehicles to get in that area. Looking at June 1 to August 1, 2026 being completed. Tim would like the yellow section to not be done and put that money towards a culvert at the preschool drive.

Tim moved to approve the Shilling Construction bid without the yellow area; Melissa seconded; motion passed 4-0.

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

- State Assessment Results: testing for students in ELA, science, and math areas - happy with results for now - would like to see all 8th grade students for Algebra I, otherwise the testing for Sophomore year can result in students only knowing Geometry. Covid did play a small part but students seem to have rebounded well.

Seminar can be used for intervention for students who need extra help. Looking at a new math curriculum for PK-12th grade; ELA curriculum will follow in the following years.

- HS/MS Student Handbook Updates/Revision: pg 6 and 7 - added flow chart for ease of student understanding; pg 15 cell phone policy - easier understanding of policy - can still use during class changes and lunch; pg 31 - no party's in HS so removed invitations; pg 33 - phone calls - student may use cell phone for emergencies; removed RAM incentive program; Seminar rules and expectations; work study - been a problem this year for students in work study with eligibility - what do you do with students who are ineligible for work study for the week.

Tim moved to accept updating the HS/MS Student handbook with revisions; Melissa seconded; motion passed 4-0.

- Review current out of district policy: Review once a year but recommend not changing anything. No action.
- Blue Valley After School Program: survey created to send out to parents if and how an after school program could be utilized; Ms. Combest is reaching out to surrounding schools about their after school programs to see how to go about getting it started; costs would be looking at a student, an adult, and snacks so \$25-\$30/week at this time. Will wait until after the block schedule survey is finished so parents aren't inundated with surveys. Looking at offering PK-5th grade.
- Board Work Session: Table until the rest of the board is present. Let Mr Boley know so he can send out to other board members.
- Executive Session to discuss Personnel Matters for Non-Elected Personnel and/or Employer/Employee Negotiations
  - Board entered executive session at 7:38p.m. for 1 hour with Mr. Boley, Ms. Combest, and Mr. Green.
  - Mr. Boley, Ms. Combest, and Mr. Green exited executive session at 8:15p.m.
  - At 8:33p.m., Mr. Boley returned to executive session for 30min.
  - Board exited executive session at 8:50p.m.
  - Melissa moved to hire Travis Smith as HS Head Baseball Coach for 25-26SY; Jason seconded; motion passed 4-0.

#### **FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS:**

1. KESA Update/Student Learning Data (State Assessments)
2. Update MS/HS Handbook - request for approval of policy changes
3. Board Work Session
4. KASB Recommended Policy Updates
5. Block Schedule Evaluation

**ADJOURNMENT:** Tim moved to adjourn; Jason seconded; motion passed 4-0. Meeting adjourned at 8:52p.m.