

**Special Committee of the Whole Meeting of
the Kearney Public Schools Board of
Education
Wednesday, March 5, 2025 5:00 PM
1st floor Administration Building Conference
Room
320 W 24th Street
Kearney, NE 68845**

1. Call to Order -

2. Open Meetings Act Announcement -

This is an open, public meeting of the Kearney Public Schools Board of Education, and a copy of the Open Meetings Act is posted in this room.

3. Board Meeting Decorum Expectations -

Kearney Public Schools welcomes all guests to our public meetings. It is the intention of the Kearney Public Schools Board of Education that all those present at the Board of Education meetings, whether Board members, KPS staff, or members of the public, act and treat each other with honor and respect. Guests are expected to refrain from speaking during the meeting unless asked to address the Board of Education by the Board President or during their allotted time in public participation. If anyone attending the meeting is determined by the President to be disruptive or a detriment to the procession of the meeting by their words or actions, that person or persons, may be asked by the President to leave the meeting at any time. Anyone who refuses to leave will be escorted from the meeting by either school personnel or a police officer and could be legally barred from attending future meetings. Thank you for helping us to have a respectful meeting forum for everyone to enjoy.

4. Roll Call -

5. Approval of Agenda -

Move to approve the agenda of the meeting, as presented.

6. Public Participation/Comment -

Board meetings must have on the agenda, a specific time entitled Public Participation/Comment, during which patrons may address the Board on matters of general concern. No public body shall require members of the public to identify themselves as a condition for admission to the meeting, nor shall such body require that the name of any members of the public be placed on the agenda prior to such meeting in order to speak about items on the agenda. Patrons wishing to address the Board during the Public Participation/Comment will be allowed up to three (3) minutes per speaker to express their view. Public Participation/Comment may not exceed thirty (30) total minutes. The Board-imposed time limits may be extended by a majority vote of the Board, following a motion to do so. Board action may not be taken on matters discussed during the Public Participation/Comment, unless the matter specifically appears on the prepared agenda. Board of Education members will refrain from expressing personal opinions during Public Participation/Comment.

Any members of the public desiring to address the body shall be required to sign in with the

recording secretary prior to the start of the meeting and identify himself or herself, including an address, phone number, and name of any organization represented by such person, unless the address and phone number requirement is waived to protect the security of the individual.

7. Agenda -

7.A. Preview of the March 10, 2025 Regular Meeting Agenda -

7.A.I. Recognition of Kearney High School Student Emma Heacock for Being Named a 2025 National Merit Scholarship Finalist -

7.A.II. Recognition of Sunrise Middle School Student Aaron Vitalis, Who Has Been Selected as Artsonia's Artist of the Week, Grades 7-9, for February 2-8, 2025 -

7.A.III. Recognition of Sunrise Middle School Student Ayla Hollman, as a State Scholastic Art Award Winner and National Qualifier -

7.A.IV. Recognition of Kearney High School Students Hannah Betke, Eleanor Bokenkamp, Nellie Clark, Maddison Martin, Emma Harwood, Mia Lindstrom, Giana Mueller, Ariaah Perez and Evangelina Wilterding, as State Scholastic Art Award Winners and National Qualifiers -

7.A.V. Recognition of Kearney High School Students Corey Fields and Emma Harwood for their Selection to Participate in the Annual National K-12 Ceramic Exhibition -

7.A.VI. Recognition of Kearney High School Students Mia Lindstrom and Addison Jezbera for Receiving the Prestigious Nebraska Young Artist Award -

7.A.VII. Legislative Update -

7.A.VIII. Approval of the Second and Final Reading of Revised Board Policy 5004 Dual Credit Enrollment -

7.A.IX. Acceptance of Resignations and Retirements - Sharon Argueta-Gonzalez -

7.A.X. Approval of the Employment of Certificated Staff - Mary Fries -

7.A.XI. Approval of the Employment of Administrative Staff - Dr. Kent Edwards -

7.A.XII. Ratification of Negotiated Agreement with Kearney Education Association -

7.A.XIII. Approve a 5-year Request for Proposal from Family Physical Therapy for Athletic Training Services in Kearney Public Schools through the 2029-2030 School Year -

7.B. 2024-2025 Cell Phone "Policy" Review & Update -

7.C. Discuss the Potential Salary Increases/Percentages for Classified Staff, Classified Exempt Staff and Administrative Staff -

7.D. Discuss the Proposed Student Fees for the 2025-2026 School Year -

7.E. Renaming Glenwood Elementary School -

8. Adjournment -

Move to adjourn the meeting.