

**Special Committee of the Whole Meeting of
the Kearney Public Schools Board of
Education
Wednesday, July 9, 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 July 14, 2025 Regular Meeting Agenda -

7.A.I. Public Hearing for Additional Property Tax Request Authority -

7.A.II. Recognition of Head Coach Drew Danielson and the Kearney High School Girls Basketball Team for Receiving the 2024-2025 Nebraska Coaches Association Academic Excellence Award -

7.A.III. Recognition of Head Coach Nate Polacek and the Kearney High School Girls Track Individual State Champions and Runners-Up -

7.A.IV. Recognition of Kearney High School FFA 2025 National Qualifiers - Sheridan Swotek -

7.A.V. KHS Report on the Class of 2025 Academic and Scholarship Achievements - Jeff Ganz -

7.A.VI. Construction Update - Kent Cordes -

7.A.VII. Board Reports -

7.A.VII.a. Kearney Public Schools Foundation Report - Amanda Smallcomb -

7.A.VIII. Consent Agenda -

7.A.VIII.a. Approval of Kearney High School FBLA National Fall Leadership Conference Trip, November 6-9, 2025 in Phoenix, Arizona -

7.A.VIII.b. Authorize the Superintendent or His/Her Designee to Dispose of All Obsolete Furniture, Books, Materials, and Equipment in the Most Favorable Manner to the District in Accordance with All Laws, Rules, and Regulations Pertaining to Such Disposition, for the 2025-2026 School Year -

7.A.VIII.c. Designate Mr. Jason Mundorf as the Authorized Representative of the Kearney Public Schools to Sign All Claims and Forms for All Federal Programs for the 2025-2026 School Year -

7.A.VIII.d. Designate Shelia Sanford and Meagan Kershner as the Authorized Representatives of the Kearney Public Schools to Sign All Claims for Reimbursement, as Well as All Federal, State, and Local Information Pertaining to the School Food Service Program, for the 2025-2026 School Year -

7.A.VIII.e. Approval of the 2025-2026 KPS Handbooks (1. Athletics & Activities 2. K-12 Student Handbook and School Guidebooks, 3. Transportation) -

7.A.IX. Regular Agenda - Personnel -

7.A.IX.a. Acceptance of Resignation - Conner Beranek -

7.A.IX.b. Approval of the Employment of Certificated Staff - Karla Rohde -

7.A.IX.c. Discuss, consider, and take all necessary action to approve the Resolution to Cancel the Employment Contract of Jill Hadwiger -

7.A.X. Regular Agenda -

7.A.X.a. Second and Final Reading Approval of New and Revised Board Policies - (6050 (new) Behavioral Intervention and Classroom Management; 4240 Safe Driving Record for Drivers -

7.A.X.b. First Reading Approval of New and Revised Board Policies - 1340 Community Relations; 4002 Personnel; 5001 Admission Requirements; 5401 Anti-discrimination, Anti-harassment & Anti-retaliation; 3290 Internal Controls; 3730 Procurement Plan; 4030 Transportation Employees & Form A; 5101 Student Discipline-Electronic Devices; 5004 Full-time and Part-time Enrollment; 5201 Promotion and Retention & Repeat Grade Form; 5202 Notification of Rights Under FERPA; 6420 Association Activities; 5503 Foster Care Student Transportation; Rescission of 6260 Title I Parental/Community Engagement in Schools -

7.A.X.c. Approve a Proposed Temporary Easement Requested by Kearney Regional Medical Center for the Expansion of 6th Avenue Near the Southeast Corner of Land Owned by Kearney Public Schools -

7.A.X.d. Discuss, Consider and Take Possible Action to Increase the District's Overall Property Tax Request Authority Up to an Additional 5% or Other Maximum as Permitted by Law, Above the Base Growth Percentage -

7.B. Discussion of a proposed temporary easement requested by Kearney Regional Medical Center for the Expansion of 6th Avenue Near the Southeast Corner of Land Owned by Kearney Public Schools -

7.C. Discussion of a Proposal from Nelnet Regarding a Potential Solar Array at Kearney High School -

7.D. Discussion of Proposed Board Policies -

7.E. Discussion of Potential Options for Rebalancing Middle School Enrollment Numbers in the 2026-2027 School Year and Beyond -

8. Adjournment -

Move to adjourn the meeting.