



Regular Meeting of  
the Welch Board of  
Education  
Monday, October 9,  
2023  
5:30 PM

Delbert Lovelace High School  
Multipurpose/Board Room  
707 South Curtis  
Welch, Oklahoma 74369

## **Agenda**

NOTE: The Board may discuss, vote to approve, vote to disapprove, vote to table, or decide not to discuss any item on the agenda.

1. Call to Order and Declaration of a Quorum
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Public Participation
4. Principals' Reports
5. Superintendent's Report
6. Consent Agenda Items recommended for approval by a single vote. Items may be voted on separately at the request of any board member.
  - 6.A. Minutes of the September 6, 2023, Regular Board Meeting
  - 6.B. Treasurer's Report, Activity Fund Report, and status of all funds and investments
  - 6.C. FY23 General Fund Warrant #1345
  - 6.D. FY24 Purchase Orders
    1. General Fund 11 - #218-247
    2. Building Fund 21 - #42-43
  - 6.E. FY24 Warrants
    3. General Fund 11 - #143-260
    4. Building Fund 21 - #32-39
  - 6.F. School Rental Requests as listed, any others at hand
  - 6.G. Fundraising Activities Requests as listed, any others at hand
    5. Sophomore Class, Homecoming Shirts, Basketball, December 6-13
      - a. Speech/Debate, Harvest Days, Sucker Ball, October 21
    6. FFA, Harvest Days, Bible's Tractor Pull, October 21
  - 6.H. Out-of-State Trip Request - 4th-6th Grade, Baxter Springs, Kansas, and Route 66, October 25, 2023
7. Action Agenda - Individual items for discussion and vote. The Board may choose to take action on any item listed including motion to approve, motion to not approve, make a specific motion, take no action, table an item, or concur no action required. Members may second a motion, cast a vote, or abstain.
  - 7.A. Discussion and action regarding the Annual Dropout Report and Annual Student Remediation Report provided by the Oklahoma Regents for Higher Education as presented by Mrs. Ezell, MS/HS Principal

- 7.B. Discussion and action adopting Welch Foster Care Plan for SY23-24
- 7.C. Discussion and action regarding FY24 Title I School Wide Plan
- 7.D. Discussion and action regarding approval of a resolution calling for a Board of Education General Election for Seat #4 to be held April 2, 2024, with a Primary Election (if needed) on February 13, 2024
- 7.E. Discussion and action requesting to close Precinct #580007 Ottawa County polling place (No registered voters)
- 7.F. Discussion and action regarding second stipend payment in the amount of \$1,625.00 for student teaching to Morgan Mills. Funds will be reimbursed from the OSDE.
- 7.G. Discussion and action regarding the ACT to be administered to all 11th grade students to fulfill meeting State and Federal requirements for College and Career Readiness Assessment in Math and English for SY23-24
- 7.H. Discussion and action regarding the following School Board Policies
  - 7. EFA - School Library Media Center
  - 8. EFA-P - Library Media Public Comment
  - 9. EFA-R1 - School Library Selection of Materials - Regulation
  - 10. EHAH - Sex Education
  - 11. EHBDBA-E - Notification
  - 12. EHDD - Concurrent Enrollment - Student
  - 13. EHDD-R - Concurrent Enrollment - Student Regulation
  - 14. EIED - Graduation Requirements
  - 15. EMC - Graduation Policy
  - 16. FNF-E2 - Student Searches Authority to Transport
  - 17. FNF-R - Search of Students
- 8. Discussion and action regarding convening in Executive Session pursuant to OKLA. STAT. Title 25 § 307 (B)(1) & (7), (Supp.2002), to discuss the following items:
  - 18. Superintendent's Evaluation
  - 19. Employment of Shelby Miller (Substitute)
  - 20. Employment of Chelsea Crites (Substitute)
  - 21. Employment of Melis Bailey (Substitute)
- 9. Return to Open Session, President's Acknowledgement, Executive Session Minutes Compliance Announcement (Members Participating, Items Discussed, No Action Taken)
- 10. Acknowledgement of Ongoing Superintendent's Evaluation
- 11. Discussion and action to employ Shelby Miller as a Substitute Employee for SY23-24
- 12. Discussion and action to employ Chelsea Crites as a Substitute Employee for SY23-24
- 13. Discussion and action to employ Melis Bailey as a Substitute Employee for SY23-24
- 14. New Business
- 15. Vote to Adjourn

Posted the 6th day of October, 2023, at 4:00 PM at the front door of the Delbert Lovelace High School, 707 South Curtis Street, Welch, Oklahoma and WPS website, [www.welchwildcats.net](http://www.welchwildcats.net).

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Title: Secretary to the Superintendent / Board of Education Minutes Clerk



The Welch Board of Education of Independent School District I017 of Craig County, State of Oklahoma, met in regular session on Monday, September 11, 2023, in the Multipurpose/Board Room in the Delbert Lovelace High School, 707 South Curtis Street, Welch, Oklahoma.

I, the undersigned Clerk of the Board of Education of Welch Public Schools, District I017 of Craig County, Oklahoma, do hereby certify that at least 24 hours prior to the meeting excluding Saturday, Sunday, and holidays, notices of date, time, place, and agenda of the meeting were posted in prominent public view at the location of the meeting.

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Rowdy Layton, Clerk of the Board of Education

President Shane Burgess called the meeting to order at 5:30 PM. President Burgess, Vice President Jesse Highsmith, Clerk Rowdy Layton, Deputy Clerk Brian Mooney, and Member Shannon Walker were in attendance. Administrators present were Superintendent Jeremy Ramsey and Elementary Principal Kimberley Hall.

A quorum was established.

President Burgess led the Pledge of Allegiance.

There were no visitors present to request Public Participation.

Mrs. Hall updated the Board on upcoming activities and current student count and student progress.

Superintendent Ramsey reported to the Board about discussion on the limited access to the classrooms; upcoming State and Federal reporting, student counts, Child Nutrition, and program reviews; September 20<sup>th</sup> Accreditation review by the RAO Mr. Teel; area superintendents' meeting discussing the hot topic of raised cost of officials; October 7<sup>th</sup> Enrichment Foundation banquet with a fish fry being the possible meal; and research for a digital roadside sign at a projected cost of \$40,000 to \$75,000 as a new Enrichment Foundation project.

Shannon Walker left the meeting at 5:51 PM.

Ramsey reported September 19 and 21 are parent-teacher conferences from 4-7PM, two employees' children have tested positive for COVID-19. The start of school has been extremely busy has been extremely busy trying to get procedures in place. September 29 was going to be early-release, but that is canceled due to Homecoming that day.

Motion to approve Consent Agenda Items 6A, Minutes of the August 17, 2023, Regular Board Meeting and September 11, 2023, Special Board Meeting; Item 6B, Treasurer's Report, Activity Fund Report, and status of all funds and investments; Item 6C, FY23 General Fund and Building Fund Warrants; Item 6D FY24 General Fund #183-217 and Building Fund #35-41 Purchase Orders; Item 6E, FY24 Change Order; Item 6F, FY24 Warrants; Item 6H Out-of-State Trip requests; and Item 6I, Fundraising Activities Requests as presented. This motion, made by Jesse Highsmith and seconded by Brian Mooney, passed.

Shane Burgess: Yea, Jesse Highsmith: Yea, Rowdy Layton: Yea, Brian Mooney: Yea, Shannon Walker: Absent  
Yea: 4, Nay: 0, Absent: 1

There were no requests for use of the facilities.

Jan Schilling of Patten & Odom, CPAs, LLC, presented the Estimate of Needs to the Board Members present.

Motion to approve the FY24 Estimate of Needs as prepared for Welch Public Schools. This motion, made by Jesse Highsmith and seconded by Brian Mooney, passed.

Shane Burgess: Yea, Jesse Highsmith: Yea, Rowdy Layton: Yea, Brian Mooney: Yea, Shannon Walker: Absent  
Yea: 4, Nay: 0, Absent: 1

Motion to approve the FY24 Appropriations for Welch Public Schools. This motion, made by Jesse Highsmith and seconded by Brian Mooney, passed.

Shane Burgess: Yea, Jesse Highsmith: Yea, Rowdy Layton: Yea, Brian Mooney: Yea, Shannon Walker: Absent  
Yea: 4, Nay: 0, Absent: 1

Motion to approve Open Transfer Student Capacity for 2nd Quarter as presented. This motion, made by Jesse Highsmith and seconded by Brian Mooney, passed.

Shane Burgess: Yea, Jesse Highsmith: Yea, Rowdy Layton: Yea, Brian Mooney: Yea, Shannon Walker: Absent  
Yea: 4, Nay: 0, Absent: 1

After discussion, motion to approve SY23-24 Athletic Event Admission Prices at 5.00 for adults and \$4.00 for students. This motion, made by Jesse Highsmith and seconded by Rowdy Layton, passed.

Shane Burgess: Yea, Jesse Highsmith: Yea, Rowdy Layton: Yea, Brian Mooney: Yea, Shannon Walker: Absent  
Yea: 4, Nay: 0, Absent: 1

Motion to approve SY23-24 Welch District Site Committee Members. This motion, made by Jesse Highsmith and seconded by Brian Mooney, passed.

Shane Burgess: Yea, Jesse Highsmith: Yea, Rowdy Layton: Yea, Brian Mooney: Yea, Shannon Walker: Absent  
Yea: 4, Nay: 0, Absent: 1

Motion to approve a Lease Agreement for FY24 with Pitney Bowes for postage stamp equipment. This motion, made by Jesse Highsmith and seconded by Brian Mooney, passed.

Shane Burgess: Yea, Jesse Highsmith: Yea, Rowdy Layton: Yea, Brian Mooney: Yea, Shannon Walker: Absent  
Yea: 4, Nay: 0, Absent: 1

Motion to forego Executive Session and proceed to Item #11. This motion, made by Jesse Highsmith and seconded by Brian Mooney, passed.

Shane Burgess: Yea, Jesse Highsmith: Yea, Rowdy Layton: Yea, Brian Mooney: Yea, Shannon Walker: Absent  
Yea: 4, Nay: 0, Absent: 1

Motion to approve Items 1) Certified Staff Extra Duty Contracts and Assignments; 2) Athletic Extra Duty Contracts and Assignments; 3) Execution of Certified Employment Contracts; 4) Execution of Support Employment Contracts; and 5) Employment of Student A and Student B on a Work Study program through DRS. This motion, made by Jesse Highsmith and seconded by Brian Mooney, passed.

Shane Burgess: Yea, Jesse Highsmith: Yea, Rowdy Layton: Yea, Brian Mooney: Yea, Shannon Walker: Absent  
Yea: 4, Nay: 0, Absent: 1

There was no new business presented to the Board for consideration.

Motion to adjourn. This motion, made by Jesse Highsmith and seconded by Brian Mooney, passed.  
Shane Burgess: Yea, Jesse Highsmith: Yea, Rowdy Layton: Yea, Brian Mooney: Yea, Shannon Walker: Absent  
Yea: 4, Nay: 0, Absent: 1

The meeting was adjourned at 6:41 PM.

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Shane Burgess, President

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Shannon Walker, Member

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Jesse Highsmith, Vice President

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Brian Mooney, Deputy Clerk

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Rowdy Layton, Clerk

An official record of these minutes is on file in the Office of the Superintendent, 707 South Curtis Street, Welch, Oklahoma 74369.

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Mona Stines, Board Minutes Clerk