

**DISTRICT #32, MAYES COUNTY, CHOUTEAU, OKLAHOMA**  
**(The Chouteau-Mazie Public School)**  
**Chouteau-Mazie Administration Office, 115 Railroad, Chouteau, OK 74337**

**The Chouteau-Mazie Board of Education met in session on Tuesday, April 14, 2026 at 6:00 PM. in Chouteau-Mazie Administration Office, 115 Railroad, Chouteau, OK 74337**

1. Call meeting to order; roll call, flag salute, moment of silence.

Attendance Taken at 6:02 PM.

Charlie Coblenz: Present

Victor Markiewicz: Present

Amber Rice: Present

Tina Van Horn: Present

Lindsey Yoder: Present

2. Public Participation

Elijah Ingram and Sean Jameson addressed the Board with their concerns about the band program.

3. Recognitions: Site Teachers of the year.

Site teachers of the year were recognized. Early Childhood Center, Tamara Terry, Elementary, Rachel Castoe, Middle School, Matthew Bendure, High School, Amanda Livingston, and Mazie, Laura Rowland.

4. Superintendent's Report

Mr. Bendure gave the Board an update on "Bob", the AI Robot, that is used in the classrooms to track student engagement, support teachers, and provide real-time classroom feedback. These robots were purchased with grant money.

Construction on the Early Childhood Center is going as planned.

Middle School and High School Archery will be going to Kentucky for Nationals on May 6th and returning on May 8th.

5. Hunter Hanna to address the Board on the status of the band program.

Mr. Hanna addressed the Board with his concerns about the status of the band program.

6. Consent Agenda: Discuss then vote to approve or not approve listed items in the consent agenda. (These items may be approved by one Board motion, unless any Board member desires to have a separate vote on any or all of these items).

6.a. Approve Board meeting minutes for the March 10, 2026, board meeting.

6.b. Approve financial statements, all warrants issued for payment, change orders and all purchase orders and activity fund balances:

General Fund #11 FY 2025-2026 encumbrances \_\_567-624

Child Nutrition Fund #22 FY 2025-2026 encumbrances \_\_35

Building Fund #21 FY 2025-2026 encumbrances \_\_12-13

Bond Fund #39 FY 2025-2026 encumbrances \_\_0

Activity Fund #60 FY 2025-2026 encumbrances \_\_741-857

6.c. Approve Fund Raisers: #844, #845

6.d. Approve Field trips:

Mazie PK-1st to Camp Christian in April (date TBD)

Mazie 4-8 grade to Slick City in Tulsa on May 1, 2026.

Mazie 8th grade to Silver Dollar City on May 8, 2026.

Mazie PK-3 grade to Discover Lab on May 13, 2026.

Chouteau Archery, Elementary, Middle School, and High School to Louisville, Kentucky, for Nationals, leaving May 6th and returning May 8, 2026.

Chouteau 5th and 6th grade Band to Frontier City in Oklahoma City, for the Heartland Music Festival, May 9, 2026.

Chouteau 7th/8th/HS Band to Branson, Missouri on May 2, 2026, for Heartland Music Festival.

ECC to Tulsa Zoo, change date from May 8th to May 7, 2026.

5th Grade attending the 2026 MidAmerica STEM Showcase at the Mayes County Fairgrounds, May 6, 2026, 9:00-10:30am.

8th graders to tour the Outsiders Museum on April 28, 2026.

High School Gifted & Talented to Philbrook Museum of Art on April 29, 2026.

6.e. Approve service agreement with Weaver Drug Testing Lab for the 2026-2027 SY.

6.f. Approve the temporary appropriations for 2026-2027 SY

6.g. Approve Pediatric Assessment & Counseling Services, LLC Contract for the 2026-2027 SY.

6.h. Approve Therapyworks contract for the 2026-2027 SY.

6.i. Vote to approve district Telecomp contract renewal for 2026-2027 SY.

6.j. Vote to approve Total Comm NA, Inc. estimate for installation for network cabling.

6.k. Approve items for surplus, 3 Kore chairs and 1 Beltone Audio Scout Audiometer.

6.l. Approve to add Kristen Maddoux to the signature card at Welch State Bank.

Motion was made to approve the Consent Agenda with the acceptance to table 6h. This motion, made by Charlie Coblentz and seconded by Victor Markiewicz, Passed.

Charlie Coblentz: Yea, Victor Markiewicz: Yea, Amber Rice: Yea, Tina Van Horn: Yea, Lindsey Yoder: Yea

## 7. Proposed Executive Session

Discuss, then vote to approve or disapprove going into executive session for the purpose of discussing the employment, hiring, appointment, promotion, demotion, disciplining or resignation of any individual public officer or employee.

Executive Session Authority: Title 25 Oklahoma Statutes 307 (B) (1)

Employment: Laura Cochran

Lindsey Corbett

Travis Brannon

Kenlee Campbell

Anthony (Tony) Hutchinson

Cindy Chuculate  
John Yoder  
Courtney Parker  
Certified Staff - list A  
Support Staff - list B

Resignation: Kim Downen, with the intent to retire.  
Bobby Morgan with the intent to retire.  
Cathy Welker with the intent to retire.  
Bobby Ward

7.a. Motion to Convene

Motion to convene into Executive Session at 7:10pm. This motion, made by Amber Rice and seconded by Lindsey Yoder, Passed.

Charlie Coblentz: Yea, Victor Markiewicz: Yea, Amber Rice: Yea, Tina Van Horn: Yea,  
Lindsey Yoder: Yea

7.b. Acknowledge return to open session

Motion to reconvene at 8:21pm. This motion, made by Amber Rice and seconded by Victor Markiewicz, Passed.

Charlie Coblentz: Yea, Victor Markiewicz: Yea, Amber Rice: Yea, Tina Van Horn: Yea,  
Lindsey Yoder: Yea

7.c. Statement by Board President

No votes were taken in the Executive Session, and only items on the agenda were discussed. Those in Executive Session were the Board members and the school Superintendent.

8. Current Business: Action Items

8.a. Vote to hire Laura Cochran as Child Nutrition Director for the 2026-2027 SY.

Motion was made to hire Laura Cochran as Child Nutrition Director for the 2026-2027 SY. This motion, made by Amber Rice and seconded by Tina Van Horn, Passed.

Charlie Coblentz: Yea, Victor Markiewicz: Nay, Amber Rice: Yea, Tina Van Horn: Yea,  
Lindsey Yoder: Yea

8.b. Vote to accept the resignation of Kim Downen with the intent to retire.

Motion was made to accept the resignation of Kim Downen, with the intent to retire. This motion, made by Amber Rice and seconded by Victor Markiewicz, Passed.

Charlie Coblentz: Yea, Victor Markiewicz: Yea, Amber Rice: Yea, Tina Van Horn: Yea,  
Lindsey Yoder: Yea

8.c. Vote to accept the resignation of Bobby Morgan with the intent to retire.

Motion was made to accept the resignation of Bobby Morgan, with the intent to retire. This motion, made by Amber Rice and seconded by Lindsey Yoder, Passed.

Charlie Coblentz: Yea, Victor Markiewicz: Yea, Amber Rice: Yea, Tina Van Horn: Yea,  
Lindsey Yoder: Yea

8.d. Vote to approve the resignation of Bobby Ward.

Motion was made to accept the resignation of Bobby Ward. This motion, made by Lindsey Yoder and seconded by Victor Markiewicz, Passed.

Charlie Coblentz: Yea, Victor Markiewicz: Yea, Amber Rice: Yea, Tina Van Horn: Yea, Lindsey Yoder: Yea

8.e. Vote to hire Lindsey Corbett as the Early Childhood Center Librarian and Head Girls High School Basketball Coach for the 2026-2027 SY.

Motion was made to hire Lindsey Corbett as the Early Childhood Center Librarian and the Head Girls High School basketball coach for 2026-2027 SY. This motion, made by Lindsey Yoder and seconded by Amber Rice, Passed.

Charlie Coblentz: Yea, Victor Markiewicz: Yea, Amber Rice: Yea, Tina Van Horn: Yea, Lindsey Yoder: Yea

8.f. Vote to hire Travis Brannon as the Athletic Director for the 2026-2027 SY.

Motion was made to hire Travis Brannon as the Athletic Director for the 2026-2027 SY. This motion, made by Victor Markiewicz and seconded by Tina Van Horn, Passed.

Charlie Coblentz: Yea, Victor Markiewicz: Yea, Amber Rice: Yea, Tina Van Horn: Yea, Lindsey Yoder: Yea

8.g. Vote to hire Kenlee Campbell as an Elementary teacher for the 2026-2027 SY.

Motion was made to hire Kenlee Campbell as an Elementary teacher for the 2026-2027 SY. This motion, made by Lindsey Yoder and seconded by Tina Van Horn, Passed.

Charlie Coblentz: Yea, Victor Markiewicz: Yea, Amber Rice: Yea, Tina Van Horn: Yea, Lindsey Yoder: Yea

8.h. Vote to hire Anthony (Tony) Hutchinson as HS/MS Band Director for the 2026-2027 SY. Tabled

8.i. Vote to hire Cindy Chuculate for high school math teacher for 2026-2027 SY.

Motion to hire Cindy Chuculate for a high school math teacher for the 2026-2027 SY. This motion, made by Victor Markiewicz and seconded by Lindsey Yoder, Passed.

Charlie Coblentz: Yea, Victor Markiewicz: Yea, Amber Rice: Yea, Tina Van Horn: Yea, Lindsey Yoder: Yea

8.j. Vote to hire John Yoder as a custodian for the 2026-2027 SY.

Motion made to hire John Yoder as a custodian for the 2026-2027 SY. This motion, made by Tina Van Horn and seconded by Amber Rice, Passed.

Charlie Coblentz: Yea, Victor Markiewicz: Yea, Amber Rice: Yea, Tina Van Horn: Yea, Lindsey Yoder: Abstain

8.k. Vote to hire Courtney Parker for the Early Childhood Center P.E. teacher, for the 2026-2027 SY.

Motion to hire Courtney Parker for the Early Childhood Center P.E. teacher for the 2026-2027 SY. This motion, made by Lindsey Yoder and seconded by Tina Van Horn, Passed.

Charlie Coblentz: Yea, Victor Markiewicz: Yea, Amber Rice: Yea, Tina Van Horn: Yea, Lindsey Yoder: Yea

8.l. Vote to hire certified staff - List A, for the 2026-2027 SY.

Motion made to hire certified staff-list A, for the 2026-2027 SY. This motion, made by Amber Rice and seconded by Tina Van Horn, Passed.

Charlie Coblentz: Yea, Victor Markiewicz: Yea, Amber Rice: Yea, Tina Van Horn: Yea, Lindsey Yoder: Yea

8.m. Vote to hire support staff - List B, for the 2026-2027 SY.

Motion made to hire support staff, list B, for the 2026-2027 SY. This motion, made by Amber Rice and seconded by Tina Van Horn, Passed.

Charlie Coblentz: Yea, Victor Markiewicz: Yea, Amber Rice: Yea, Tina Van Horn: Yea, Lindsey Yoder: Yea

8.n. Vote to accept the resignation of Cathy Welker with the intent to retire.

Motion made to accept the resignation of Cathy Welker, with the intent to retire. This motion, made by Victor Markiewicz and seconded by Tina Van Horn, Passed.

Charlie Coblentz: Yea, Victor Markiewicz: Yea, Amber Rice: Yea, Tina Van Horn: Yea, Lindsey Yoder: Yea

9. New Business: In accordance with 25 Okla. Stat. §311(A)(9), this is limited to any matter not known or which could not have been reasonably foreseen prior to the time of posting of this agenda.

No new business.

10. Vote for Adjournment

Motion to adjourn at 8:28pm. This motion, made by Tina Van Horn and seconded by Lindsey Yoder, Passed.

Charlie Coblentz: Yea, Victor Markiewicz: Yea, Amber Rice: Yea, Tina Van Horn: Yea, Lindsey Yoder: Yea

Mary Guinn  
Minutes Clerk

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President

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Vice President

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