



*Russell County USD 407 is dedicated to providing a culture of learning
that will lead the state of Kansas in student success.*

- Goal 1:** USD 407 will improve communication from the district to the internal and external publics by May of 2022.
- Goal 2:** USD 407 will provide updated and safe facilities to meet the educational needs of students by May of 2022.
- Goal 3:** USD 407 will increase the percentage of successful high school graduates from 73% to 90% by May of 2022.
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55-135 CALL TO ORDER & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
President Kathy Wallert called the USD 407 Board of Education special meeting to order at 5:31 p.m. in the Central Administration Office boardroom. Additional board members in attendance were Mr. Brett Mai, Mrs. Deanna Myers, Dr. Joyce Ellis, and Mrs. Raeleen Reinhardt. Mr. Ron Wedel and Mrs. Crystal Waymaster arrived later during the meeting. Dr. Ellis led the group in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance. Board Clerk Jane Cline was also in attendance.

55-136 SUPERINTENDENT CANDIDATE INTERVIEW
Dr. Ellis made a motion to enter executive session to dine with superintendent candidate Rex Boley pursuant to the non-elected personnel exception under the Kansas Open Meetings Act (KOMA), with the open meeting resuming in the boardroom at 6:16 p.m. Mrs. Myers seconded the motion. Motion carried 5 – 0. Rex Boley was invited into executive session.

Mrs. Crystal Waymaster arrived and entered executive session at 5:33 p.m.
Mr. Ron Wedel arrived and entered executive session at 5:47 p.m.

Open session resumed at 6:16 p.m. and a brief recess was taken.

At 6:29 p.m., Dr. Ellis made a motion to re-enter executive session to interview superintendent candidate Rex Boley pursuant to the non-elected personnel exception under the Kansas Open Meetings Act (KOMA) with the open meeting resuming in the boardroom at 8:09 p.m. Mr. Wedel seconded the motion. Motion carried 7 – 0. Rex Boley was invited into executive session.

Open session resumed at 8:09 p.m. Dr. Ellis made a motion to re-enter executive session to interview superintendent candidate Rex Boley pursuant to the non-elected personnel exception under the Kansas Open Meetings Act (KOMA) with the open meeting resuming in the boardroom at 8:39 p.m. Mr. Wedel seconded the motion. Motion carried 7 – 0. Rex Boley was



invited into executive session.

Open session resumed at 8:39 p.m. Dr. Ellis made a motion to re-enter executive session to interview superintendent candidate Rex Boley pursuant to the non-elected personnel exception under the Kansas Open Meetings Act (KOMA) with the open meeting resuming in the boardroom at 8:54 p.m. Mr. Mai seconded the motion. Motion carried 7 – 0. Rex Boley was invited into executive session.

Open session resumed at 8:54 p.m. A brief recess followed.

At 9:11 p.m., Dr. Ellis made a motion made a motion to re-enter executive session to discuss superintendent candidates pursuant to the non-elected personnel exception under the Kansas Open Meetings Act (KOMA) with the open meeting resuming in the boardroom at 9:41 p.m. Mr. Wedel seconded the motion. Motion carried 7 – 0.

Gary Sechrist, KASB Leadership Services, was invited into executive session at 9:14 p.m. via telephone. The call was disconnected at 9:16 p.m.

Open session resumed at 9:41 p.m. Mrs. Reinhardt made a motion to adjourn the meeting until Thursday, January 19, 2023, at 6:00 p.m. in the Central Administration Office. Mr. Mai seconded the motion. Motion carried 7 – 0.

President Kathy Wallert reconvened the adjourned meeting at 6:00 p.m. on January 19, 2023, in the Central Administration Office. Additional board members in attendance were Mr. Brett Mai, Mrs. Deanna Myers, Dr. Joyce Ellis, Mrs. Raeleen Reinhardt, and Mr. Ron Wedel. Mrs. Crystal Waymaster was not present. Also in attendance was Board Clerk Jane Cline.

Open session discussion was held. At 6:26 p.m., Mrs. Myers made a motion to enter executive session to discuss superintendent candidates pursuant to the non-elected personnel exception under the Kansas Open Meetings Act (KOMA) with the open meeting resuming in the boardroom at 7:30 p.m. Dr. Ellis seconded the motion. Motion carried 6 – 0.

Open session resumed at 7:30 p.m. Mrs. Reinhardt made a motion to re-enter executive session to discuss superintendent candidates pursuant to the non-elected personnel exception under the Kansas Open Meetings Act (KOMA) with the open meeting resuming in the boardroom at 8:00 p.m. Mr. Wedel seconded the motion. Motion carried 6 – 0.

Open resumed at 8:00 p.m. Mr. Wedel made a motion to re-enter executive session to discuss superintendent candidates pursuant to the non-elected personnel exception under the Kansas Open Meetings Act (KOMA) with the open meeting resuming in the boardroom at 8:30 p.m. Dr. Ellis seconded the motion. Motion carried 6 – 0.

Open resumed at 8:30 p.m. Mr. Wedel made a motion to re-enter executive session to discuss superintendent candidates pursuant to the non-elected personnel exception under the Kansas Open Meetings Act (KOMA) with the open meeting resuming in the boardroom at 9:00 p.m. Dr. Ellis seconded the motion. Motion carried 6 – 0.

Open session resumed at 9:00 p.m. Mr. Wedel made a motion to re-enter executive session to



discuss superintendent candidates pursuant to the non-elected personnel exception under the Kansas Open Meetings Act (KOMA) with the open meeting resuming in the boardroom at 9:30 p.m. Mrs. Reinhardt seconded the motion. Motion carried 6 – 0.

Mr. Gary Sechrist, KASB Leadership Services, was invited into executive session via telephone at 9:12 p.m. The call was disconnected at 9:20 p.m.

Open session resumed at 9:30 p.m. Mr. Mai made a motion to re-enter executive session to discuss superintendent candidates pursuant to the non-elected personnel exception under the Kansas Open Meetings Act (KOMA) with the open meeting resuming in the boardroom at 9:45 p.m. Mrs. Reinhardt seconded the motion. Motion carried 6 – 0.

Open session resumed at 9:45 p.m. A brief recess was declared.

The meeting reconvened at 9:58 p.m. and discussion was held on the language included in the superintendent contract.

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ADJOURNMENT

At 10:16 p.m., Dr. Ellis made a motion to adjourn. Mr. Mai seconded the motion. Motion carried 6 – 0.

Kathy Wallert, Board President

Date

Jane Cline, Board Clerk

Date

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