

**Ell Saline Unified School District 307
BOARD OF EDUCATION
REGULAR MEETING
Ell-Saline MSHS Library
December 8, 2025
6:30 PM**

6:30 p.m. Call to Order

The regular Board of Education meeting was held at the Ell-Saline MSHS Library on Monday, December 8, 2025, beginning at 6:30 p.m.

Board members present: Heather Hardesty – President, J.D. Garber -Vice-President, Shane Schneider, Mindy Tillberg, John Fouard, Dave Hiechel, and Marty Kramer

Board members absent:

Administrator and Board personnel present: Brian Rowley, Chris McClure, Darla Raile, Cher Richards, and Jennifer Johnson

Audience Present – Scott Merritt, Joe Roche, Julie Glenn, Sabrina Fink, Rebecca Kejr, and Cain Fouard

6:32 p.m. Executive Session

Motion by Dave Hiechel, seconded by John Fouard to go into executive session under the exceptions relating to Non-elected personnel and student issues under KOMA for 30 minutes with the right to invite Mr. Rowley, Ms. Raile, Mr. Roche and Mr. McClure into Executive Session. Motion carried 7-0.

7:04 p.m. Open Session

Approval/Modification of the Agenda- Action

Motion by Marty Kramer, seconded by J.D. Garber to approve the Agenda as presented. Motion carried 7-0.

Audience with the Board

Approval of the Minutes – Action

Motion by J.D. Garber, seconded by Dave Hiechel to approve the November Regular Board minutes. Motion carried 7-0.

Approval of the Treasurer’s Report/Bills-Action

Motion by John Fouard, seconded by Mindy Tillberg to approve the November Treasurer reports and bills. Motion carried 7-0.

Reports from the BOE and Administration

BUSINESS

A. KESA Update-Discussion

B. Out of State Travel- Action

Motion by Dave Hiechel, seconded by Mindy Tillberg to approve the request of out-of-state travel for Mr. Fouard to take the qualifying FFA members to Colorado January 17-19th, 2026. Motion carried 7-0.

C. KASB Policy Recommendations-Discussion

D. 26-27 Calendar-Action

Motion by Marty Kramer, seconded by Mindy Tillberg to approve the calendar as presented. Motion carried 7-0.

E. Fall Coaches -Action

Motion by Marty Kramer, seconded by Mindy Tillberg to table the approval of Fall coaches until January 2026 meeting. Motion carried 7-0

F. Transportation-Action

Motion by Mindy Tillberg, seconded by Dave Hiechel to approve the bid from Holm as presented. Motion carried 7-0.

G. Donations- Action

Motion by J.D. Garber, seconded by John Fouard to accept the following donations; \$250.00 from Melinda and Taylor Trostad for lunch accounts, \$21.00 from Salina Dental Arts for the candy buyback program, and \$1,250 from Farm Bureau Love lunch donation. Motion carried 7-0.

H. Principal Contracts- Action

Motion by Dave Hiechel, seconded by John Fouard to approve renewing Ms. Raile's and Mr. McClure's contracts 26-27 and 27-28 school years. Motion carried 7-0.

I. Superintendent Contract- Action

Motion by Dave Hiechel, seconded by Marty Kramer to approve renewing Mr. Rowley's contract for the 26-27 and 27-28 school years. Motion carried 7-0.

7:52 p.m. Executive Session

Motion by Marty Kramer, seconded by Mindy Tillberg to go into executive session relating non-elected personnel under KOMA for 60 minutes. Motion carried 6-0.

8:53 p.m. Open Session

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Marty Kramer, seconded by J.D. Garber to adjourn the meeting at 8:54 p.m. Motion carried 7-0.

The next Regular Board Meeting will be held Monday, January 12th, 2025 at the Ell-Saline Middle/High School Library, starting at 6:30 p.m.