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Goals and Objectives DA

The board shall adhere to strict fiscal accounting procedures as outlined in board policies and rules. The board shall make an effort to secure goods and services from responsible merchants and vendors at a price and quality that will enable the staff to fulfill the district's educational goals.

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DB **Budget Planning**

(See DC and KBA)

A planned, systematically prepared budget is essential in the management of the district. The

board delegates to the superintendent the authority to develop a budget for the board's consideration.

such that all students may achieve the capacities set forth in K.S.A. 72-3218(c).

Needs Assessment

Each year, the board shall conduct an assessment of the educational needs of each attendance

In planning the budget, sufficient moneys shall be allocated in a manner reasonably calculated

center in the district. Such assessment shall be published on the school district's website. Information

obtained from the needs assessment shall be used by the board when approving the budget of the school

district to ensure improvement in student academic performance.

The board shall annually review state assessment results and, as part of such review, shall

document the following:

• The barriers that must be overcome to have all students achieve proficiency above level 2 for

grade level academic expectations on such assessments;

Any budget actions, including, but not limited to, recommendations on reallocation of

resources that should be taken to address and remove such barriers; and

• The amount of time the board estimates it will take for all students to achieve proficiency

above level 2 for grade level academic expectations on the state assessments if such budget

actions are implemented.

The board shall also prepare a summary of the budget. The budget, the summary of the proposed

budget, the needs assessment, and the state assessment documentation shall be on file at the

administrative offices of the school district and available on the school district's website. Notice of the

hearing on the budget shall include a statement that the budget(s), the summary of the proposed budget,

the needs assessment, and state assessment documentation is on file at the administrative offices of the

district and available on the school district's website.

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Annual Operating Budget

(See DB and KBA)

The district budget shall be prepared by the superintendent in cooperation with selected district employees and shall reflect the district's educational goals, including improvement in student academic performance as described in board policy DB and state law.

The superintendent shall follow the adopted budget.

The district shall fund the operating budget according to approved fiscal and budgetary procedures required by the State of Kansas.

Budget Forms

Budget forms used shall be those prepared and recommended by the Kansas State Department of Education. Budget summary documents shall be prepared on forms provided by the Kansas State Department of Education.

Priorities

The board will establish priorities for the district on a short-term, intermediate, and long-range basis, taking into consideration the requirements for budgeting.

Deadlines and Schedules

Deadlines and time schedules shall be established by the board, unless otherwise provided by state law.

Encumbrances

An encumbrance shall be made when a purchase is made or when an approved purchase order is processed. All encumbrances shall be charged to a specific fund. All necessary encumbrances shall be made by the superintendent.

Recommendations

Recommendations of the superintendent and professional staff concerning the district's budget allocations will be presented to the board prior to submission of the tentative draft budget.

Preliminary Adoption Procedures

The superintendent will be responsible for developing the budget cover letter. It is recommended that the letter include a restatement of the goals and objectives of the district and a list of budget priorities. An explanation of line-item expenditures will be included in the letter. Fund expenditures and line categories will also be explained in terms of how the budget meets the goals and objectives of the district and enhances completion of priority programs. A preliminary draft of the district's budget will be

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submitted by the superintendent within a timeframe that allows the district to comply with all statutory deadlines.

Hearings and Reviews

The board shall conduct budget hearings according to state law. The minutes of the meeting at which the board approves its annual budget shall state a needs assessment was provided to the board in accordance with board policy DB and state law, the board evaluated such assessment, and the manner in

which the board used such assessment in the approval of the district's budget.

District budgets, the summary of the proposed budget, the needs assessment, and the state assessment documentation described in board policy DB shall be on file at the administrative offices of

the district and available on the district's website.

Budget Transparency

The district shall comply with the requirements of the Kansas Uniform Financial Accounting and Reporting Act and rules and regulations promulgated by the Kansas State Board of Education thereunder in maintaining, reporting, publishing on the district's website, and making available to the public specified

budgetary records, forms, and information.

Management of District Assets/Accounts

The superintendent shall establish and maintain accurate, financial management systems to meet the district's fiscal obligations, produce useful information for financial reports, and safeguard district resources. The superintendent shall ensure the district's accounting system provides ongoing internal

controls. The superintendent shall review the accounting system with the board.

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KASB Recommendation - 7/03; 4/07; 6/07; 6/09; 6/15; 6/18; 2/21; 6/21; 6/22; 4/23

All employees, board members, consultants, vendors, contractors, and other parties maintaining a business relationship with the district shall act with due diligence in duties involving the district's fiscal resources. The superintendent shall develop internal controls that aid in the prevention and detection of fraud, financial impropriety, or irregularity.

Reporting Fraud

An employee who suspects fraud, impropriety, or irregularity shall promptly report those suspicions to the immediate supervisor and/or the superintendent. If the superintendent is the subject of the complaint, reports shall be made to the board president or the board's legal counsel. The superintendent shall generally have primary responsibility for any investigations, in coordination with legal counsel and other internal or external departments and agencies as appropriate. If the superintendent is the subject of the report of fraud, impropriety, or irregularity, the board shall retain control over the investigation or may designate its legal counsel or another investigator to act on behalf of the board in investigating the matter and reporting any findings back to the board.

Whistleblowers

The district encourages complaints, reports, or inquiries about illegal practices or violations of district policies, including illegal or improper conduct by the district, its leadership, or by others on its behalf. Reports may include, but not be limited to, financial improprieties, accounting, or audit matters, ethical violations, or other similar illegal or improper practices or policies. The district prohibits retaliation by or on behalf of the district against staff members who make good faith complaints, reports, or inquiries under this policy or for participations in a review or investigation under this policy. This protection extends to those whose allegations are made in good faith but prove to be mistaken. The district reserves the right to discipline persons who make bad faith, knowingly false, or vexatious complaints, reports, or inquiries or who otherwise abuse this policy.

Complaints, reports, or inquiries may be made under this policy on a confidential or anonymous basis. They should describe in detail the specific facts demonstrating the bases for the complaints, reports, or inquiries. They should be directed to the superintendent unless otherwise provided above. If the superintendent is implicated in the complaint, report, or inquiry, it should be directed to the board or its legal counsel. The district will conduct a prompt, review or investigation. The district may be unable to fully evaluate a vague or general complaint, report, or inquiry that is made anonymously.

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KASB Recommendation - 6/18; 2/21

Grants and other Outside Financial Resources

DFAA

The board encourages the superintendent to secure federal, state and private grants, or other alternative funding sources for use in curriculum development, staff development, instructional or activity programs and other areas as directed by the board.

The board shall approve all grant applications before their submission.

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KASB Recommendation – 6/04; 4/07; 2/21

Standard of Conduct for Federally Funded Contracts

DFAB

The following standard of conduct shall be followed by board members, district employees, officers, and their agents in an effort to eliminate conflicts of interest and to govern actions while engaged in the selection, award, and administration of contracts on behalf of the district.

No board member, employee, officer, or agent may participate in the selection, award, or administration of a contract supported by Federal funds if he or she has a real or apparent conflict of interest concerning the contract.

For the purposes of this policy, a conflict of interest would include any instance when a board member, employee, officer, or agent; any member of his or her immediate family; his or her partner; or an organization which employs or is about to employ any of the parties indicated herein has a financial or other interest in or receives or would receive a tangible personal benefit from a firm considered for a contract.

Unless otherwise provided herein, no board member, employee, officer, or agent of the district may solicit or accept gratuities, favors, or anything of monetary value from vendors, contractors, or parties to subcontracts. Therefore, these individuals would be prohibited from accepting offers for free entertainment which would otherwise cost the individual, lodging, transportation, gifts, or meals. However, accepting meals offered by a sponsor and consumed by such individual at school, a school sponsored activity, or a related event and/or accepting free product samples having a retail value no greater than \$50.00 will not be a violation of this policy or standard of conduct.

Employees, officers, and agents of the district found to be in violation of this policy and standard of conduct shall be subject to disciplinary action, up to and including suspension or termination for employees and denial of access to district property and activities and/or the severing of the officer or agency relationship with the district, as appropriate.

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KASB Recommendation – 12/16; 2/21; 6/22; 4/23

(See CN, DFAA, and DFAB)

The board shall ensure federal funds received by the district are administered in accordance with	
federal requirements, including but not limited to the federal Uniform Grant Guidance. This policy	
outlines the district's responsibilities when federal funding is considered. The board designates the	
as the federal programs coordinator and district contact for all federal programs and funding.	
The shall establish and maintain a sound fiscal management system to include	
internal controls and federal grant management standards covering the receipt of both direct and	
state-administered federal grants and to track costs and expenditures of funds associated with grant	
awards. The superintendent, to assist in the proper administration of federal funds and implementation of	
this policy, may recommend additional procedures and regulations be adopted to supplement this policy.	

The district's fiscal management system shall be designed with strong internal controls, a high level of transparency and accountability, and documented procedures to ensure that all fiscal management system requirements are met. Fiscal management standards and procedures shall assure that the following responsibilities are fulfilled:

- Identification The district must identify, in its accounts, all federal awards received and expended and the federal programs under which they were received.
- Financial Reporting Accurate, current, and complete disclosure of the financial results of each federal award or program must be made in accordance with the financial reporting requirements of the Education Department General Administrative Regulations (EDGAR).
- Accounting Records The district must maintain records which adequately identify the source and application of funds provided for federally-assisted activities.
- Internal Controls Effective control and accountability must be maintained for all federal funds, real and personal property purchased therewith, and other assets acquired with federal funding. The district must adequately safeguard all such property and must assure that it is used solely for authorized purposes.
- Budget Control Actual expenditures or outlays must be compared with budgeted amounts for each federal award. Procedures shall be developed to establish determination for allowability of costs for federal funds.
- Cash Management The district shall maintain written procedures to implement the cash management requirements found in EDGAR.
- Allowability of Costs The district shall ensure that allowability of all costs charged to each federal award is accurately determined and documented.

Time and Effort Reporting by Employees

All district employees paid with federal funds shall document the time they expend in work performed in support of each federal program, in accordance with law. Time and effort reporting requirements do not apply to contracted individuals.

Recordkeeping

The district shall develop and maintain a records management plan and related board policy, administrative regulations, and/or procedures for the retention, retrieval, and disposition of print and electronic records, including emails.

The district shall ensure the proper maintenance of federal fiscal records documenting:

- Amount of federal funds,
- How funds are used,
- Total cost of each project,
- Share of total cost of each project provided from other sources,
- Other records to facilitate an effective audit,
- Other records to show compliance with federal program requirements, and
- Significant project experiences and results.

All records must be retrievable and available for programmatic or financial audit.

The district shall provide the federal awarding agency, Inspectors General, the Comptroller General of the United States, and the pass-through entity, or any of their authorized representatives, the right of access to any documents, papers, or other district records which are pertinent to the federal award. The district shall also permit timely and reasonable access to the district's personnel for interview and discussion related to such documents.

Records shall be retained for a minimum of three (3) years from the date on which the final Financial Status Report is submitted, or as otherwise specified in federal law or in the requirements of the federal award, unless a written extension is provided by the awarding agency, cognizant agency for audit, oversight agency for audit, or cognizant agency for indirect costs. If any litigation, claim or audit is started before the expiration of the standard record retention period, the records shall be retained until all litigation, claims or audits have been resolved and final action has been taken.

The district shall ensure that all personally identifiable data protected by statute or regulation is handled in accordance with the requirements of applicable law, regulations, board policy, administrative regulations, and procedures.

Federal Fiscal Compliance

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Subrecipient Monitoring

If the district awards subgrants, the district shall establish procedures to:

Assess the risk of noncompliance.

Monitor grant subrecipients to ensure compliance with federal, state, and local laws and board

policy, regulations, and procedures.

Ensure the district's records are adjusted to cure recordkeeping issues discovered through the

subrecipient's audits, on-site reviews, or other monitoring.

Compliance Violations

Employees and contractors involved in federally funded programs and subrecipients shall be

made aware that failure to comply with federal law, regulations, or terms and conditions of a federal

award may result in the federal awarding agency or pass-through entity imposing additional conditions or

terminating the award in whole or in part.

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KASB Recommendation – 6/17; 2/21; 6/22

Investment of Funds DFE

The investment of school district monies shall be the responsibility of the superintendent, business manager, and/or the district treasurer.

Any monies not immediately required for the purposes for which the monies were collected or received may be invested as provided by current statute.

Posting Securities

All investments of district monies shall be secured to 100% of the amount of district monies by F.D.I.C. coverage, a pledge of direct federal obligations, or direct guaranteed federal agency deposits in accordance with requirements of state law. Exceptions to the required posting of securities shall be only as provided by law and with approval of the board.

All offerings of monies for investment shall state the amount to be invested and the maturity date of each investment.

All banks and savings and loan associations (hereafter "financial institution(s)") with main or branch offices located within the district and the county or counties in which part of the district is located shall be given an opportunity to respond to requests for proposals on monies offered for investment. All responses shall be directed to the superintendent and shall be specified on the basis of simple interest.

Distribution of monies for investment shall be as follows:

The treasurer or other person designated by the board shall inform each eligible financial institution of the total amount of money to be invested on a specified date and the maturity date of the investment. Each financial institution responding shall submit a single proposal of the rate of interest it would pay on all or part of the funds to be invested.

Monies shall be invested with the financial institution offering the highest interest rate in such amount as the financial institution will accept, and any remaining amounts shall be invested with the financial institution(s) offering the next highest interest rates in such amounts as it will accept until all funds offered for investment are invested. No financial institution shall be eligible to receive any funds in the same offering at a rate lower than its proposal rate.

No proposal less than the most recently determined investment rate as defined in K.S.A. 12-1675a shall be accepted unless otherwise authorized by K.S.A. 12-1675. No funds will be invested for maturities of more than two years.

Any monies not otherwise invested in eligible financial institutions located in the district due to their inability, for whatever reason, to accept the funds, shall be invested in secured deposits in financial institutions which have offices located in counties in which a part of the school district is located.

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Any monies not invested in financial institutions in the district or located in counties in which a

part of the school district is located may be invested as authorized by Kansas law.

Monies available for reinvestment as a result of maturities may be reinvested with the financial

institution holding such monies provided the financial institution agrees to pay the same or higher rate as

that offered by the highest proposal at the time the requests for proposals were accepted.

In the event of identical high proposals, the allocation of monies to be invested between the

financial institutions offering the high proposals shall be at the discretion of the superintendent.

The treasurer shall record the following information: the date of each request for proposal; the

name of each financial institution notified; the name of the officer notified; the proposal; the amount of

monies the financial institution is willing to accept at the rate proposed.

To be eligible to receive invested funds or deposits from the district, any otherwise eligible

financial institution shall have on file in the office of the district treasurer a letter requesting its inclusion

in any request for proposal and providing proper assurance of compliance with requirements of applicable

laws and board policy relating to maintenance of proper security and assurance of its membership in good

standing consistent with current federal regulations. The superintendent shall report monthly to the board

on the district's investments.

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KASB recommendation 6/06; 4/07; 6/18; 12/19; 6/20; 2/21

Fees, Payments and Rentals

DFG

(See KG)

Proceeds from fees for building or equipment use or rental will be credited to the general fund.

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Gifts and Bequests DFK

Income derived from gifts and bequests will be credited, if possible, as specified by the board.

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Equipment and Supplies Sales

DFM

(See KK)

Excess or unusable district-owned equipment and supplies will be disposed of at the discretion of the board.

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Bonded Employees DH

The board shall purchase a blanket fidelity bond for school employees. The amount of the bond shall be determined by the board.

A position bond in the amount of \$100,000 per incident is required for the treasurer, clerk and superintendent. A position bond may be purchased by the board for district employees as follows:

- Building principals;
- Building secretary(s); and
- Other employees as the board may direct.

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KASB Recommendation – 9/04; 4/07; 2/21; 4/23

Inventories DIC

An accounting will be made annually for all district-owned personal property.

An inventory record system shall be developed by the superintendent. All inventory records shall be annually updated showing deletions and additions, the estimated value, original cost (where available), date of purchase, serial numbers (where available) and location and condition of each piece of

district-owned personal property.

Each building principal shall take an annual inventory of district-owned personal property under the direction of the superintendent. Inventory forms shall be developed by the superintendent. One copy of each inventory taken in an attendance center shall be filed in that building, and one copy shall be filed in the central office with the clerk.

Approved: 6/12/23

Petty Cash Accounts DJB

The board may establish petty cash accounts by resolution. All petty cash funds will be audited annually at the same time as the general fund budget. The board shall also receive monthly reports of the expenditures from and reimbursements to each petty cash account.

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Purchasing DJE

The purchasing, receiving, storing and distribution of supplies, equipment and services for use in the district shall be managed efficiently and economically. School employees are not allowed to purchase personal items from vendors using district accounts.

Purchasing Authority

The board shall appoint a purchasing agent for the district.

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KASB Recommendation - 4/07; 2/21; 12/21; 4/23

Quality Control DJEB

The board reserves the right to establish the specifications for and quality of goods or services purchased by the district.

Specifications

It is the responsibility of the originator of a purchase request to see that all specifications requested are complete.

Standardization

Whenever possible, standard lists of supplies and equipment shall be developed in all budget areas.

Quantity Purchasing

Quantity purchasing is encouraged.

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All purchases requiring competitive bids shall be made in accordance with current statutes.

The purchasing agent shall develop and maintain lists of potential suppliers. Bid lists shall be used to notify potential bidders.

Any supplier may be included in the list upon request. All bid lists shall be reviewed annually by the purchasing agent.

A copy of this policy shall be given to all bidders upon request.

All bids and supporting documentation shall be retained in the district office with the clerk for a period of three years after bids have been opened.

Bid Specifications

All bid specifications shall be written by the district's purchasing agent and shall include required characteristics and quality standards. Specifications shall include, when necessary: required performance, surety, bid, and statutory bond information; compliance with preferential bid law; financial statements; the board's right to reject any or all bids; compliance with all federal, state, and local laws, ordinances, and regulations; the date, time, and place for the opening of bids; and other items as the board directs.

The board shall avoid negotiation of bid specifications after bids have been accepted and shall correct specifications if they are inadequately written and request new bids. If an error is discovered in the bid specifications, all bids shall be returned unopened, and the project shall be rebid using corrected and/or amended specifications.

Procedure

All bids must be submitted to the clerk in sealed envelopes with the name of the bidder and the date of the bid opening plainly marked in the lower left-hand corner of the envelope. All bids shall be opened publicly on the stated date and time. All bidders and other interested persons may be present when the bids are opened.

Bids may be opened by the purchasing agent or other person designated by the board, and such opening shall be witnessed by one other district employee. The bids shall then be arranged in order from low to high before they are presented to the board for action.

Responsible Bidder

All bids shall be awarded to the lowest responsible bidder. The board remains the sole judge of whether a bidder is "responsible." Criteria that may be used to judge whether the bidder is responsible by way of illustration and not limitation, are: financial standing, reputation, experience, prior working relationship with the district, resources, facilities, judgment, and efficiency.

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Bids and Quotations Requirements

The board may investigate whether the bidder is responsible by using information at hand to form an intelligent judgment, such as, but not necessarily limited to, the district's architect, previous clients of the bidder, their own investigation, or an outside investigation agency.

Withdrawal of Bids

Any bid may be withdrawn and/or corrected prior to the scheduled time for opening of bids and no later than two days after the bids have been opened if a non-judgmental error has been made.

Any bid received after the publicized date and time shall not be considered by the board.

Rejection of Bids

The board reserves the right to reject any and all bids and to ask for new bids. This reservation shall be specified in the publication or notification of bid letting.

The board reserves the right to waive any informalities in or reject any parts of a bid.

Multi-State Purchasing Pools

The board may participate in multi-state purchasing pools.

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KASB Recommendation – 7/03; 4/07; 6/18; 2/21

Local Purchasing DJEE

The purchasing agent shall make purchases from local vendors when the price, availability of the product and service are competitive with outside vendors for purchases not subject to the bidding law. The board shall not grant preferential bid percentages to local contractors or businesses except as provided by statute.

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Requisitions **DJEF**

The purchasing agent shall develop a requisition form to be used by staff members requesting that certain goods be purchased for the district.

All requisitions shall be submitted to the purchasing agent by the designated deadline. After a purchase order has been issued, the number of the purchase order shall be recorded on the requisition, and the number of the requisition shall be recorded on the purchase order. After processing, the original copy

of the requisition shall be filed in the office of the purchasing agent in numerical sequence.

The school or district entity shall not be used to order or purchase supplies, goods, or wares for the personal use of employees. Use of the "school entity" in this manner would include, but may not be limited to, the use of the school or district's name, letterhead, purchase order, fund, credit card, and/or

check.

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KASB Recommendation - 4/07; 6/16; 6/18; 2/21

Purchase Orders and Contracts

DJEG

(See DJEJ and DJFAB)

The purchasing agent shall develop an order form compatible with the requisition form to be used

in purchasing goods and shall be authorized to sign all purchase orders.

Each purchase order shall include a specification of the item which adequately describes the

characteristics and the quality standards; a quoted, firm, net, delivered price, whenever possible, and

prices shown both per unit and as extended; clear delivery instructions which include time and place; a

signature of the purchasing agent and budget account code number; and the appropriate address and

telephone number.

All purchase orders shall be numbered in sequence; sufficient copies will be made to meet

distribution requirements.

A verbal order, subject to subsequent confirmation by a written purchase order, may be issued

only in cases where a bona fide emergency exists. Whenever possible, a purchase order number should

be given to the supplier. A confirming requisition/purchase order shall be issued immediately thereafter

and clearly marked as such.

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Payment Procedures DJEJ

(See DJEG and DJFAB)

The superintendent shall recommend payment to vendors and suppliers for goods and services upon satisfactory receipt of all goods or completion of all services and for which there is a district purchase order number issued as provided for in board policy.

The board shall consider payment of bills recommended for payment at regular board meetings except as provided for in policy.

The board may designate one or more employees to pay bills in advance of any board meeting in order to avoid a penalty for late payment or to take advantage of any early payment discount.

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Purchasing Authority DJFA

The superintendent is authorized to execute contracts on behalf of the district for the purchase of goods and services if the amount is less than \$20,000. The board shall receive reports on any contracts.

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KASB Recommendation - 6/01; 6/06; 4/07; 2/21

Administrative Leeway DJFAB

(See DJEG and DJEJ)

In an emergency, the superintendent shall have the authority to make expenditures necessary to prevent additional damage to district property, to keep the schools open or to reopen schools. Emergency purchases shall be ratified by the board at the next regular or special board meeting.

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KASB Recommendation - 4/07; 2/21; 6/22; 4/23

Student Activity Fund Management

DK

(See JGHB, JH and JL)

Any activity which involves the expenditure of activity funds shall be subject to prior approval of the principal.

Activity Fund Management

The building principals shall maintain an accurate record of all student activity funds in the respective attendance centers. No funds shall be expended from these accounts except in support of the

student activity program. No activity account shall have a negative balance.

The board shall receive a monthly report on all activity accounts.

All student activity funds will be audited annually at the same time as the general fund budget.

All payments from student activity funds shall be made from purchase orders signed by the

employee responsible for the fund.

Receipts shall be kept for all revenue deposited into the activity fund of each attendance center.

All payments from the activity fund shall be by checks provided for that purpose.

Activity Fund Deposits

Activity funds from gate receipts or other sources may be deposited directly into a bank account

maintained for this purpose.

Inactive Activity Funds

The board will assume control of all inactive activity funds and disburse those funds to other

activity accounts or expend the funds as directed by the board.

Each student activity fund shall have an employee in charge of the fund.

The employee shall be responsible for making a monthly report to the superintendent and the

board.

The monthly student activity report shall show opening and closing balances of each fund. The

report shall also show the total amount of deposits and an itemized list of expenditures.

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Collection Procedures DP

(See EE and JS)

<u>Unpaid Fees and Negative Account Balances</u>

Unpaid or overdue accounts disrupt accounting practices within the district. All persons who owe overdue fees or have negative account balances with the district shall be notified of the delinquency up to three times in not less than ten day increments by the superintendent or superintendent's designee via letter sent by U.S. First Class Mail providing that the individual owes the district fees or that a specified account has insufficient funds or a negative balance and the reason for the fees or account withdrawals.

If, within ten days after the second notice was mailed, the debt is not paid in full or arrangements have not been made with the superintendent or superintendent's designee to pay it, a third and final notice shall be sent to the debtor by mail. Postage and stationary costs may be added to the original bill.

If full payment is not received by the clerk within ten days after mailing of the final notice, authorization for the enforcement of collection may be obtained through the local small claims court in compliance with Kansas statutes, the superintendent or superintendent's designee may turn the matter over to legal counsel to commence debt collection proceedings on behalf of the district, or the matter may be handled through the Kansas SetOff Program.

Insufficient Funds Checks

The superintendent or the superintendent's designee is authorized to request charges to be filed against a person or persons giving worthless or insufficient fund checks to the school district. In addition, the board adopts the following procedures for dealing with returned checks in the school setting.

A courtesy call may be made to resolve return check issues. If not resolved the person will be notified of the returned check via U.S. First Class Mail, if restitution is made within five working days from the notification being mailed, there will be no charge for a returned check. If after a second notification is sent, restitution is not made within an additional five working days, a fee of \$10.00 will be charged.

- If a person has a second returned check, he/she will be notified and assessed a \$15.00 fee, providing restitution is made within five working days. After the second notification is mailed concerning the second returned check, a fee of \$20.00 will be assessed.
- For a third returned check, the person will be notified, assessed a \$30.00 fee, and informed that the district and its schools will not accept any future checks from such person. All future payments to the district or individual schools would then need to be in the form of cash, cashier's check, or credit/debit card payment.

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If restitution of the third check is not made within five working days from mailing the final notification, the superintendent or superintendent's designee will be notified, and the superintendent or superintendent's designee may turn the matter over to the county attorney for legal action.

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