

LEGAL NOTICE

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

WESTON COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT #7

Wednesday, November 5, 2025

This meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Chairman Rankin with the following in attendance: Trustee Diana White, Trustee Justin Mills, and Trustee Mark Mitchell. Superintendent Dr. Clark Coberly, Principal Jeremy Dietzman, Principal Joe Samuelson, and Business Manager Gina Barritt were also in attendance.

Motion by Trustee Miller, seconded by Trustee Mitchell, to approve the agenda as presented.

Motion carried.

Consent Agenda:

Approve minutes from the October 8, 2025, Board Meeting and approve September/October claims for payment:

General Fund 23-34, 23833-23931, 101-104	\$775,232.14
Special Revenue 21-25, 2719-2737, 17-18	\$ 50,435.10
Lunch Fund 2520-2536, 2	\$ 18,820.52
Activity Fund 20-22, 3797-3805	\$ 4,515.11
Major Maintenance 1607-1609	\$ 3,379.92

Consent agenda adopted as presented.

Reports:

- Principal Dietzman presented the Elementary and Middle School Students of the Month for the trait of "Ownership". He also provided an update on school enrollment and shared that girls' basketball and boys' wrestling have begun in Upton Middle School. Mr. Dietzman informed the board on the monthly academic and classroom highlights from both schools, as well as updates on Bobcat Adventures. Upcoming events for the Elementary and Middle School include The Thanksgiving Blessing and the Elementary and Middle School food drive.
- Principal Samuelson presented the High School Student of the Month for the trait of "Ownership". He also updated the board on the New Orleans symposium, where Upton High School had the opportunity to present what personalized learning looks like in our school. Mr. Samuelson also provided updates on sports activities and plans to send a pep bus to Casper for the first volleyball game at the state tournament. He informed the board that the football co-op with Sundance in football is ending and the school will be transitioning to Upton Bobcat 9-man football. F-Clubs have been active this week, with all three joining together to run a food drive for the local food bank. He also reported that the FFA chapter traveled to National FFA Convention in Indianapolis, earned a Three Star Chapter rating, and that Josalyn Pischke placed 3rd in the nation with her Agriscience Fair project on equine cold therapy.
- Dr. Coberly recognized Josalyn Pischke for her achievement at the National FFA Convention. He updated the board on maintenance projects across the district and the pool feasibility study, and noted he will be looking for volunteers for a steering committee. He also shared that the Upton Economic Development Board is funding the feasibility study. Dr. Coberly reported that the annual audit is not ready for presentation due to the government shutdown and is expected to be ready for the December board meeting. Discussion was held to move the December board meeting and legislative dinner to December 3rd, 2025, and Dr. Coberly informed the board that the staff Christmas breakfast would be held on December 5th. He updated the board on the upcoming consolidated grant audit, professional development days in both buildings, and highlighted the work of building principals and staff on what we do as a district.
- Frankie Medlen presented the Technology Report, noting CIPA compliance, which makes us eligible for E-Rate discounts. She reviewed the district's Internet Safety Policy, and gave an overview of the school's online monitor and internet safety programs used in the schools.

Public Comment:

- There was no public comment.

Discussion and Information:

- Board Comment: Trustee Mills recognized the passing of Jean Eisenhower, who served in our district's lunchroom for many years.
- Legislative Update and Discussion of the WSBA Resolutions:
 - Gina Barritt and Dr. Coberly provided the board with an update on the draft that was presented on the Evidence-Based model and legislative directives during Recalibration held in Casper on October 28-29.
- WSBA:
 - Chairman Rankin updated the board on possible resolutions to special education reimbursement, and a proposal that would prohibit individuals with charges brought against them from drawing their wages. He also provided information about a suicide prevention and mental health program called the Jae Foundation.
- BOCES Update:
 - Trustee White reported that they got moved into the Cheyenne building for the day program, they received the homeland security grant, amended the budget, and updated policies.

Motion by Trustee Miller, seconded by Trustee White, to convene to executive session at 7:44 p.m. to consider employment of individuals.

Action Items:

- Motion by Trustee Miller, seconded by Trustee White, to approve Personnel Report as presented in executive session. Motion carried.

Future Business Dates:

- WSBA/WASA Fall Conference--November 19-21, 2025
- Next Regular Board Meeting will be moved from December 10, 2025, at 6:00 p.m. to December 3rd, 2025, at 6:00 p.m.
 - Legislative Dinner @ 5:00 p.m. on December 3rd, 2025.
- Joint Appropriations - December 1-5 and 8-12, Cheyenne
- Joint Education Committee - November 13-14 - Cheyenne

Adjournment

There being no further business, a motion by Trustee Mills, seconded by Trustee Mitchell, to adjourn the meeting at 8:43 p.m. Motion carried.

Curtis Rankin, Board Chair
Mark Mitchell, Board Clerk

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