

**MINUTES
LAWRENCE COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT
FEBRUARY 10, 2026**

The Lawrence County School Board of Directors met in regular session on Tuesday, February 10, 2026 in the boardroom of the Superintendent's office at 5:00 p.m.

President Brittany Farmer called the meeting to order and Kai Rorex offered the prayer.

No Public Comment.

MINUTES

Kai Rorex moved to approve the minutes of the regular board meeting. Vickie Mitchell seconded the motion. The motion received unanimous approval.

Joe Penn moved to approve the Master Plan Facilities board minutes and Vickie Mitchell seconded the motion. The motion received unanimous approval.

OLD BUSINESS

President Brittany Farmer moved to the Superintendent's Report. The first item was Old Business. Superintendent Kersey stated that the Master Plan had been submitted and the Partnership Project Request had been sent to Facilities. He updated the Board on the district's football fence repair and informed the Board that an awning had received damaged due to the recent ice and snow. He stated that Arkansas Facilities had conducted a district wide annual inspection with no findings. Also, he stated the district was in the process of completing an application for a food service outsource company.

New Business

Adam Davis moved to approve payment of the bills. Joe Penn seconded the motion. The motion received unanimous approval.

Superintendent Kersey gave an update on the Financial Reports and Admin Reports were given to board members.

Superintendent Kersey recommended the Board approve a Freedom of Choice application to the district. Joe Penn moved to approve the recommendation. Pat Roby seconded the notion. The motion received unanimous approval.

Jordyn Long, Cayden Kitchen, and Braylon Medlin transferred to the Hoxie School District.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 5:37 p.m. the Board went into Executive Session for the purpose of discussing personnel issues.

At 5:45 p.m. the Board reconvened and conducted the following business:

Superintendent Kersey recommended the Board rehire the principals, Tashena Tate, Lea Andra Foster, and Tyler Roby for the upcoming 2026-2027 school year. Joe Penn moved to accept the recommendation. Adam Davis seconded the motion. The motion received unanimous approval.

Superintendent Kersey recommended the Board approve the employment of long-term substitute, Karen Wallin retroactive to January 5th, 2026. Vickie Mitchell moved to approve the recommendation. Kai Rorex seconded the motion. The motion received unanimous approval.

Superintendent Kersey made the recommendation to employ Journee Shaw as a school nurse. Adam Davis moved to approve the recommendation. Joe Penn seconded the motion. The motion received unanimous approval.

Superintendent Kersey recommended the Board approve a request for 1st semester prep period compensation to Amy Privett. Joe Penn moved to approve the recommendation. Pat Roby seconded the motion. The motion received unanimous approval.

OTHER/MISCELLANEOUS

The next scheduled Board meeting is for March 11, 2026.

At 5:45p.m. Adam Davis moved to adjourn the Board meeting. Pat Roby seconded the motion. The motion received unanimous approval.

Kai Rorex, Secretary