

MINUTES  
BOARD OF EDUCATION  
UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 248  
GIRARD, KS  
December 11, 2025

The Board of Education of Unified School District 248 met in the Board Office on Thursday, December 11th, 2025. President, Dave Goble, called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm. Board members present were: Henry Ashbacher, Roger Breneman, Aaron Coester, Dave Goble, Peggy Marshall, and Kelly Peak. Also present were: Superintendent, Todd Ferguson; Board Clerk, Randee Hanks; GHS Principal, Tim Davied; Assistant HS Principal, Chris Swartz; MS Principal, BJ Pruitt; RVH Principal, Tina Daniel; Assistant RVH Principal, Joni Benso; Technology Director, Cindy Murphy; Technology Support Specialist, Valeria Bevilacqua; RVH Teacher, Andrea James; and RVH Choir members and parents, Maddox Harris, Cam Humble, Jessilyn Humble, Aiden Keedy, Kendall Kennedy, Jessica Kindred, Christy Kindred, Garrett Kindred, Natalia Kindred, Enslie Meeks, Konnor Mooney, Fay Schmidt, Natalie Schmidt, George Shadden, and Kayla Snider. Also in attendance were PTO Members, Erica Harris, Madie Krebs, Jordan Muter, Maggie Niederklein, Jennifer Potter, Danielle Randall, Lindsay Schossow, and Jessica Vinardi; and Tucker Hudson with Hometown.

Absent were: Board Treasurer, Charlene Bolinger; and Board Member, Lori Johnson.

Roger Breneman moved, Kelly Peak seconded the motion for the approval of the agenda; approval of the minutes from the November 13th 2025 Board Meeting, approval of the treasurer's report and the bills be approved for payment, amounting to \$1,080,060.00. Motion carried 6 – 0.

Henry Ashbacher moved, Aaron Coester seconded the motion to approve the following donations: Booster Club- \$6,139 for track throwing structure; Leah Smith Insurance- \$5,000 for throwing surface; Producers Coop- \$8,000 for RVH Backpack Program; PEO Chapter- \$100 for GHS Choir; Bryce Reese Memorial- \$1,000 for FFA; Farmers Bank- \$500 for FFA Shirts; PTO- \$12,000 for RVH Shade Structure. Motion carried 6 – 0.

RVH Teacher, Andrea James and RVH Choir students performed.

Technology Director, Cindy Murphy and Technology Support Specialist, Valeria Bevilacqua, presented the Technology Department report.

Kelly Peak moved, Roger Breneman seconded the motion to approve the GHS Work Study Applications. Motion carried 6 – 0.

Peggy Marshall moved, Henry Ashbacher seconded the motion to approve the KASB recommended policy updates, with the exception of JCAC and IIBE. Motion carried 6 – 0.

Superintendent, Todd Ferguson, presented the Facilities updates.

Kelly Peak moved, Henry Ashbacher seconded the motion to enter into Executive Session at 7:16 pm for a period of 10 minutes, for discussion of Non-Elected Personnel under KOMA, with Board Members, Superintendent, and Administration present. Motion carried 6 – 0.

Back to regular session at 7:26 pm.

Peggy Marshall moved, Aaron Coester seconded the motion to accept the resignation of GHS Secretary, Dusti Hudson; and the retirement of RVH cook, Lana Stewart. Motion carried 6 – 0.

Kelly Peak moved, Roger Breneman seconded the motion to approve the employment recommendations of Alex Kafka, GHS Baseball Assistant; and RVH cook, Tamra Boese. Motion carried 6 – 0.

Principal's Report in the Board Packets.

Peggy Marshall moved, Henry Ashbacher seconded the motion to approve the GHS Handbook changes. Motion carried 6 – 0.

Southeast 637 Interlocal Report.

Henry Ashbacher moved, Aaron Coester seconded the motion to enter into Executive Session at 7:45 pm for a period of 15 minutes, for discussion of Non-Elected Personnel under KOMA, with Board Members and Superintendent present. Motion carried 6 – 0.

Back to regular session at 8:00 pm.

Peggy Marshall moved, Roger Breneman seconded the motion for adjournment of the meeting at 8:04 pm. Motion carried 6 – 0.

Randee Hanks  
Clerk