



Regular Meeting of
the Welch Board of
Education
Monday, October 12,
2026
5:30 PM

Delbert Lovelace High School
Multipurpose/Board Room
707 South Curtis
Welch, Oklahoma 74369

Agenda

NOTE: The Board of Education may discuss, vote to approve, vote to disapprove, vote to table, or decide not to discuss any item on the agenda. The Board of Education reserves the right to take up an agenda item in any order regardless of how items are listed below.

1. Call to Order and Declaration of a Quorum
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Public Participation
4. Principals' Reports
5. Superintendent's Report
6. Consent Agenda Items recommended for approval by a single vote. Items may be voted on separately at the request of any board member.
 - 6.A. Minutes of the September 14, 2026 Regular Board Meeting
 - 6.B. Treasurer's Report, Activity Fund Report, and status of all funds and investments
 - 6.C. FY27 Purchase Orders/Encumbrances
 - General Fund: # 197 - # 203
 - Building Fund: # 44 - # 47
 - 6.D. FY27 Payment Registers
 - General Fund: # 172 - # 300
 - Building Fund: # 14 - # 17
 - 6.E. School Rental Requests as listed, any others at hand
 - 6.F. Fundraising Activities Requests as listed, any others at hand
 - 6.G. Presentation of 2024 College Remediation Data and 2025 Drop Out Report
7. Action Agenda - Individual items for discussion and action. The Board may choose to take action on any item listed including motion to approve, motion to not approve, make a specific motion, take no action, table an item, or concur no action required. Members may second a motion, cast a vote, or abstain.
 - 7.A. Discussion and action regarding approval of a Resolution calling for a Board of Education General Election for Seat #2 to be held April 6, 2027, with a Primary Election (if needed) on February 9, 2027, and to close Precinct #580011, Ottawa County polling place (no registered voters reside)
 - 7.B. Discussion and action regarding Board Policy Section 6 - Employees General
 - 7.C. Discussion and action regarding a quote from 4State Fence to replace fencing and add gate access around the softball, football and elementary perimeters.

- 7.D. Discussion and action regarding extra-duty contract for Craig Hood, JR class sponsor in the amount of \$1500.00
8. Discussion, consideration, and possible action regarding convening in Executive Session pursuant to OKLA. STAT. Title 25 § 307 (B)(1), (Supp.2002), to discuss the employment, promotion, demotion, disciplining or resignation of any individual salaried public officer or employee:
 1. Evaluation of the Superintendent, Jeremy Ramsey
 2. Employment for LaRonda Smith, Cafe Substitute
 3. Employment for Tyler Watson, Classroom Substitute
9. Return to Open Session, President's Acknowledgement, Executive Session Minutes Compliance Announcement (Members Participating, Items Discussed, No Action Taken)
10. Discussion and action regarding employing LaRonda Smith as a cafe substitute pending background clearance
11. Discussion and action regarding employing Tyler Watson as a classroom substitute pending background clearance
12. New Business
13. Adjournment

Posted the 8th day of October, 2026, at 7:00 PM at the front door of the Delbert Lovelace High School, 707 South Curtis Street, Welch, Oklahoma and WPS website, www.welchwildcats.net.

Signature: _____
Title: Superintendent



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The Welch Board of Education of Independent School District I017 of Craig County, State of Oklahoma, met in regular session on Monday, September 14, 2026, in the Multipurpose/Board Room in the Delbert Lovelace High School, 707 South Curtis Street, Welch, Oklahoma.

I, the undersigned Clerk of the Board of Education of Welch Public Schools, District I017 of Craig County, Oklahoma, do hereby certify that at least 24 hours prior to the meeting excluding Saturday, Sunday, and holidays, notices of date, time, place, and agenda of the meeting were posted in prominent public view at the location of the meeting.

Shannon Walker, Clerk of the Board of Education

1. Call to Order and Declaration of a Quorum
Attendance Taken at 5:24 PM.

Mr Jesse Highsmith: Present
Rowdy Layton: Present
Shelby Miller: Present
Brian Mooney: Present
Shannon Walker: Present

All School Board members were present and a Quorum was established meeting was called to order at 5:30 p.m.

2. Pledge of Allegiance

3. Public Participation- there was no Public Participation.

4. Principals' Reports

Both Principals were unable to attend the meeting. Mrs. Ezell was at the Junior High football game and Mrs. Hall was out of town. Reports attached.

5. Superintendent's Report

Mr. Ramsey reported we are \$148,000.00 reimbursement from the insurance for contents on the new gym (WAC). Softball lights are all operational. Total Electric was on site Thursday installed the new audio system for the football field. Electronic sign up and going, it's very user friendly. The Room's communication for teachers and parents is up and going. Tri-State

Flooring quote came in for \$3800.00 to take off the water based sealant on the gym floor and replace it with an oil based sealant. The gym will have to be closed for 7 days while it cures out. Going to start project later this week.

6.A. Motion to approve Consent Agenda Items 6.A. Minutes of the August 10, 2026 Regular Board of Education Meeting 6.B. Treasurer's Report, Activity Fund Report, and status of all funds and investments 6.C. FY27 Purchase Orders/Encumbrances General Fund: # 187 - # 196 Building Fund: None Insurance Loss Fund: None 6.D. FY27 Payment Registers General Fund: # 77 - # 171 Building Fund: # 8 - # 13 Insurance Loss Fund # 2. Bond Fund: # 1 6.E. School Rental Requests as listed, any others at hand 6.F. Fundraising Activities Requests as listed, any others at hand 6.G. FY27 Qtr 2 Student Transfer Capacities . This motion, made by Brian Mooney and seconded by Shannon Walker, passed. Mr Jesse Highsmith: Yea, Rowdy Layton: Yea, Shelby Miller: Yea, Brian Mooney: Yea, Shannon Walker: Yea
Yea: 5, Nay: 0

Mr. Ramsey explained Exhibit "Y" to the Board, noting those are the figures we use to operate for the 2026-2027 school year.

7.A Action regarding the FY27 Estimate of Needs and appropriations as prepared by Jenkins & Kemper, CPA's, P.C. Motion to approve. This motion, made by Shannon Walker and seconded by Shelby Miller, passed. Mr Jesse Highsmith: Yea, Rowdy Layton: Yea, Shelby Miller: Yea, Brian Mooney: Yea, Shannon Walker: Yea Yea: 5, Nay: 0

7.B. Motion to approve a MOU with Northeast Tech for a Certified Adjunct Instructor to teach Anatomy & Physiology (5333) to high school students for academic credit. This motion, made by Brian Mooney and seconded by Shannon Walker, passed.
Mr Jesse Highsmith: Yea, Rowdy Layton: Yea, Shelby Miller: Yea, Brian Mooney: Yea, Shannon Walker: Yea Yea: 5, Nay: 0

7.C. Action regarding the employment of Stephen L. Smith Corp. as financial consultants to the school district, for FY27. Motion to employ Stephen L. Smith Corp. as financial consultants to the school district, for FY27. This motion, made by Brian Mooney and seconded by Shannon Walker, passed. Mr Jesse Highsmith: Yea, Rowdy Layton: Yea, Shelby Miller: Yea, Brian Mooney: Yea, Shannon Walker: Yea Yea: 5, Nay: 0

7.D Action on a contract addendum with Help Hands Therapy Co. to provide Occupational Therapy treatment services. Motion to take action on a contract addendum with Help Hands Therapy Co. to provide Occupational Therapy treatment services. This motion, made by Brian Mooney and seconded by Shannon Walker, passed. Mr Jesse Highsmith: Yea, Rowdy Layton: Yea, Shelby Miller: Yea, Brian Mooney: Yea, Shannon Walker: Yea Yea: 5, Nay: 0

7.E Action on a Purchase Order with BSN to provide a score table, seats, and benches for the new activity center. Motion action on a Purchase Order with BSN to provide a score table, seats, and benches for the new activity center. This is a content claim that will be paid with insurance money for the WAC. Color coded seats and a score keepers table. This motion, made by Shelby Miller and seconded by Brian Mooney, passed. Mr Jesse Highsmith: Yea, Rowdy Layton: Yea, Shelby Miller: Yea, Brian Mooney: Yea, Shannon Walker: Yea Yea: 5, Nay: 0

7.F. Action to approve SY26-27 Certified Teacher's Contracts Motion to approve SY26-27 Certified Teacher's Contracts. This motion, made by Brian Mooney and seconded by Shannon Walker, passed. Mr Jesse Highsmith: Yea, Rowdy Layton: Yea, Shelby Miller: Yea, Brian Mooney: Yea, Shannon Walker: Yea Yea: 5, Nay: 0

7.G. Action to approve SY26-27 Support Contracts. Motion to approve SY26-27 Support Contracts. This motion, made by Brian Mooney and seconded by Shannon Walker, passed. Mr Jesse Highsmith: Yea, Rowdy Layton: Yea, Shelby Miller: Yea, Brian Mooney: Yea, Shannon Walker: Yea Yea: 5, Nay: 0

7.H. Action to approve SY26-27 Certified Extra-Duty Contracts. This motion, made by Brian Mooney and seconded by Shannon Walker, passed. Mr Jesse Highsmith: Yea, Rowdy Layton: Yea, Shelby Miller: Yea, Brian Mooney: Yea, Shannon Walker: Yea Yea: 5, Nay: 0

8. Motion to not convene in Executive Session pursuant to OKLA. STAT. Title 25 § 307 (B)(1), (Supp.2002), to discuss the following items, so that the board can return to Open Session and possible board action to approve:. This motion, made by Rowdy Layton and seconded by Shelby Miller, passed. Mr Jesse Highsmith: Yea, Rowdy Layton: Yea, Shelby Miller: Yea, Brian Mooney: Yea, Shannon Walker: Yea Yea: 5, Nay: 0

9 No Action Taken

10. Recommend action to employ Bryndle Biggs, Rebecca Hughes, Meghan Johnson, Lindsey Epperson and Rebekah Fry as substitutes for SY26-27. This motion, made by Rowdy Layton and seconded by Brian Mooney, passed. Mr Jesse Highsmith: Yea, Rowdy Layton: Yea, Shelby Miller: Yea, Brian Mooney: Yea, Shannon Walker: Yea Yea: 5, Nay: 0

11. New Business -no new business.

12. Motion to adjourn. This motion, made by Brian Mooney and seconded by Shannon Walker, passed. Mr Jesse Highsmith: Yea, Rowdy Layton: Yea, Shelby Miller: Yea, Brian Mooney: Yea, Shannon Walker: Yea Yea: 5, Nay: 0

The meeting was adjourned at 6:07 p.m.

Jesse Highsmith, President

Shannon Walker, Clerk

Rowdy Layton, Vice President

Brian Mooney, Deputy Clerk

Shelby Miller, Member

An official record of these minutes is on file in the Office of the Superintendent, 707 South Curtis Street, Welch, Oklahoma 74369.

Madonna Woolfolk, Board Minutes Clerk