USD 382 Board Meeting Minutes

Monday, October 13, 2025

7:00 pm

Board Members Present

Bill Bergner, President Donna Queal, Vice President-absent Tim Barker

Chris Drake Jeremy Demuth Michelle Ferbert Jennifer Hopkins

Administration Present

Tony Helfrich, Superintendent Steve Blankenship, Principal PHS Stephanie Thompson, Principal LMS Jessica Hanvey, Assistant Principal SW Antonia Villa, Assistant Superintendent David Swank, AD/ Assistant Principal PHS Kirsten Blankenship, Principal SW David Inslee, Director of Maintenance

Call to Order

The Board of Education of Pratt Unified School District 382 met in regular session on Monday, October 13, 2025, at 7:00 pm in the BOE Meeting Room in the PAC Building, 401 S Hamilton, Pratt, KS. President Bill Bergner called the meeting to order.

Please stand for the Pledge of Allegiance

- II. Recognition of Guests: Erika Householter, Adison Hampton, Kelli Barker, Seth Thibault, Jenna Zimmerman, Macie Kemper, Brandie Osenbaugh
- III. Approval of Agenda (AI)

Jeremy Demuth moved, and Chris Drake seconded to approve the agenda as presented. Vote 6/0

IV. Approval of the minutes of the Sept 8, 2025, Regular Meeting, RNR Meeting, Budget Meeting, and Sept 10, 2025 Work Session.

Chris Drake moved, and Jennifer Hopkins seconded to approve the minutes of the Sept 8, 2025 Regular, RNR Meeting, Budget Meeting, and Sept 10, BOE work session. Vote6/0

- V. Teacher presentation: Erika Householter, Addison Hampton, Kelli Barker team teaching with general education and resource teacher in core classes, working with all students. 6th ELA, 6th Math, 8th ELA and 8th Math are all team teaching this year. Classroom management is a plus because the students know that whether both teachers are there or not, there are the same expectations.
- VI. Approval of payment of bills, treasurer, and financial reports. (AI)

 Jeremy Demuth moved, and Jennifer Hopkins seconded to approve payment of bills, treasurer, and financial reports.

 Vote 6/0
- VII. Reports. (IO)

SCKSEC Report – Chris Drake - Several events at Haskins with Police present. Mental health have been called in recent months. Enrollment is lower at Haskins. Audit is starting with Lloyd Group. Waiting to see how federal funding is going to work for budgeting purposes. PreK reimbursement is more than likely it is going to

be a cost to the district. Co-op was expecting a residential placement, and the co-op would have been liable for the bill to educate this student.

Governmental Relations – Donna Queal - absent

Maintenance/Facility Report- David Inslee - Integreen replaced the heat pump in Kelli Barker's room at LMS. Replace a compressor in the Pedigo building. AR will start the roof at LMS end of October. Home Lumber is almost done putting the cove base in the LMS entryway.

Asst Superintendent/Curriculum Report—Antonia Villa - Negotiating with PD on our Math curriculum. State reports are completed.

Superintendent Report – Tony Helfrich

PD - Michael McDowell meeting via Zoom for PD for KESA 6-12 grade levels.

Fundraising - SCCF fundraising link, a couple of projects are available that you are able to see. Once we approve the projects, they will go live. Selling naming rights to the turf only. It would still be Zerger Field, the turf would be sponsored by the individual or company.

Strategic Planning Review Docs - a couple of changes in the strategic plan, it is an action item

KASB Interview - They were here and did interviews with Principals and the KESA Team. Post-secondary success, growth, and scores take into consideration IEP students and poverty. We are in the middle of the economic and IEP numbers with the 5-year average. 97 districts are in our category, we are 5th highest above the expected performance in our group, which puts us in the upper level.

Parking Restrictions - The city is working on new signs for no parking on the north side of 5th St. The Video Productions class is making a video to show the best practice for dropping off and picking up students.

VIII. Business

Action Item: Lilypad Childcare Employee Handbook Update. (AI)

Jeremy Demuth moved, and Michelle Ferbert seconded to approve the adoption of the Lilypad Childcare Handbook as presented.

Vote 6/0

Action Item: Diploma Pathway. (AI)

Chris Drake moved, and Jennifer Hopkins seconded the adoption of the diploma pathways as presented.

Vote 6/0

Action Item: Crisis Planning Update. (AI)

Jeremy Demuth moved, and Michelle Ferbert seconded to approve the change from Heightened Security to Heightened Awareness, where it appears in the crisis plan.

Action Item: Turf Bids. (AI)

Jeremy Demuth moved, and Michelle Ferbert seconded the motion to approve the bid by AGT for \$546,700, which includes the 10-year warranty, grooming service, and equipment for the purpose of installing new turf at Zerger Field, as specified in the bid. Vote 6/0

Action Item: Strategic Planning Update. (AI)

Michelle Fergert moved, and Jeremy Demuth seconded to approve the change to goal #3 under Student Success and goal#3 under Health and Wellness as presented. Vote 6/0

Action Item: LMS Camera Refresh. (AI)

Jennifer Hopkins moved, and Chris Drake seconded to approve the refresh of cameras for LMS by INA Alert for \$21,288. Vote 6/0

Action Item: LMS April EF Trip. (AI)

Jeremy Demuth Moved, and Jennifer Hopkins seconded the approval of the EF Trip by LMS as presented. Vote 6/0

Action Item: USD 382 fundraising projects. (AI)

Jeremy Demuth Moved, and Jennifer Hopkins seconded to approve the golf simulator shed and the Esports renovation and equipment projects as USD 382 fundraising projects. Vote 6/0

Action Item: PHS Early Graduation Approvals. (AI)

Jennifer Hopkins moved, and Chris Drake seconded to approve the early graduation Vote 6/0 requests as presented.

IX. Executive Session - Personnel

I, Bill Bergner, move that the board, superintendent, and David Swank go into executive session for 30 minutes to discuss potential hires and personnel evaluations pursuant to the non-elected personnel exemption under KOMA, and that the open meeting shall resume at 8:53. Seconded by Chris Drake Vote 6/0 Resumed regular meeting at 8:53

X. Personnel Updates

Michelle Popovich	PHS Spanish/French	Retirement
Michelle Popovich	PHS STUCO Sponsor	Retirement
Michelle Popovich	PHS Archery Sponsor	Retirement

Cindy Dannebohm PAC Custodian Retirement (Effective Jan 1, 2026)

Courtney Reh LMS/PHS ESL Para Transfer from Title Para

XI. Approval of personnel updates. (AI)

Chris Drake moved, and Michelle Ferbert seconded to approve the personnel updates as listed. Vote 6/0

XII. Adjournment(AI)

Jeremy Demuth moved, and Chris Drake seconded to adjourn the meeting at 9:00pm.

Vote 6/0