USD 382 Board Meeting Minutes

Work Session

Wednesday, October 21, 2026 6:00 pm

Board Members Present

Jeremy Demuth, President | Seth Thibault, Vice President | Chris Drake - arrived at 7:01
Michelle Ferbert | Jennifer Hopkins | Kimberly Staats | Jenna Zimmerman

I. Call to Order

The Board of Education of Pratt Unified School District 382 met in a work session on Wednesday, October 21, 2026, at 6:00 pm in the BOE Meeting Room in the PAC Building, 401 S Hamilton, Pratt, KS. President Jeremy Demuth called the meeting to order.

II. Approval of Agenda (AI)

Jennifer Hopkins moved, and Jenna Zimmerman seconded, to approve the agenda. 6/0 Vote

III. Work Session Topics

Capital Outlay - discussed projects that need to be completed in the next few years. Discussed the parking lots owned by the district and discussed the grant for the two buses. The tractor will need to be replaced at some point soon. Also, discussed the aging HVAC system across the district. Add security items to secure the buildings.

BOE Goals/KASB Summary - Discussed board goals/measureable results. Discussed the use of technology in class. Increase ELA classroom time.

Superintendent Evaluation - Discussed the evaluation of the Superintendent and if a plan of action needs to be addressed. Each board member will fill out the evaluation.

IV. Executive Session - Student Safety Concern

I, Jeremy Demuth, move that the board and Superintendent Steve Blankenship go into executive session for 5 minutes at 7:50 to discuss a student safety concern, pursuant to student safety under KOMA, and that the open meeting shall resume at 7:55 in the board room. Seconded by Chris Drake.

Resumed regular meeting at 7:55 7/0 Vote

V. Executive Session - Student Safety Concern

I, Jeremy Demuth, move that the board and Superintendent Steve Blankenship go into executive session for 5 minutes at 7:55 to discuss a student safety concern, pursuant to student safety under KOMA, and that the open meeting shall resume at 8:00 in the board room. Seconded by Chris Drake.

Resumed regular meeting at 8:00 7/0
Vote

VI. KASB Meeting - agenda update

VII. Adjournment(AI)
Kimberly Staats moved, and Jennifer Hopkins seconded, to adjourn the meeting at 8:05 pm.

_____BOE Clerk