# Arickaree School District R-2 Board of Education Meeting Agenda

## September 16, 2025

# 7:00 PM Regular Meeting

Arickaree Board of Education welcomes public input. All meetings are open to the public and citizens are invited to attend. We would ask that any person wishing to speak ask to speak during the public audience portion of the meeting and be recognized by the presiding officer. He/She must also state the subject and agenda/item number to which he/she wishes to speak. He/She may speak to the Board on any number of items on the agenda. It is requested that comments be limited to five (5) minutes.

## 1. Call to Order and Roll Call

# 2. Consent Agenda:

- 2.1. Minutes of previous meeting(s): Regular August 19, 2025
- 2.2. Agenda: Additions, Corrections, Blanket Motions
- 2.3. Bills/Payroll/Treasurer

# 3. Celebrations and Congratulations:

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## 4. Audience/Correspondence

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## 5. Reports

- 5.1. Athletic Director Report
- 5.2. Maintenance Report
- 5.3. Academic Report
- 5.4. Superintendent's Report

#### 6. Old Business

6.1

#### 7. New Business

- 7.1 Financial Audit Fiscal Year 2025 presented by Scott Szabo, CPA
- 7.2 Approve Amanda Brown as Elementary Teacher
- 7.3 Approve Kade Dutton as Maintenance/Transportation
- 7.4 Approve Graduation Date change from May 9, 2026 to May 17, 2026
- 7.5 Approve cancelling School Board Election November 4, 2025-no opposition
- Approve restructuring Board and check signatures
- 7.7 Approve District Assignees and Authorization:
  - a. Board appointment of CASB Legislative Duties
  - b. Appointment of district auditor- Lauer, Szabo and Associates
  - c. Appointment of legal representatives Caplan and Ernst
  - d. Appointment of school district newspaper of record- Otis Telegraph
  - e. Appointment of depository of school district monies-Bank of Colorado
  - f. Authorization of meeting times and place for Board of Education Meetings-2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday at 7:00 p.m. (unless stated) in Vnet Room

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#### Adjournment

#### MEMBERS PRESENT:

MEMBERS ABSENT

Drew Axsom
Dina Hermes
Tyson King
Jennifer Koolstra
Deanna Schrock

#### ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF PRESENT:

Mike Page, Superintendent/Principal Sara Walkinshaw, Business Manager/Secretary to Board

Audience: Scott Szabo, Patricia Harman, and Jesse Feather.

Meeting was called to order at 7:05 p.m. by President Tyson King, with all members present. Roll call: Axsom yes, Hermes yes, King yes, Koolstra yes, Schrock yes, all members present.

Motion was made by Schrock, seconded King to approve the regular August 19, 2025 minutes. Voting: Axsom yes, Hermes yes, King yes, Koolstra yes, Schrock yes, motion carried.

Motion was made by Schrock, seconded by Hermes to approve the Consent Agenda with the removal of Maintenance Report and 7.6 Approve restructuring board and check signatures. Voting: Axsom yes, Hermes yes, King yes, Koolstra yes, Schrock yes, motion carried.

Motion was made by Schrock, seconded by King to approve the payroll/payables as presented with question on Commodities, Shot Clocks and Pine Cove, all answered. Voting: Axsom yes, Hermes yes, King yes, Koolstra yes, Schrock yes, motion carried.

Correspondence:

none

**Celebrations and Congratulations:** 

None

Audience: n/a speaking

# Athletic Director's Report:

Printed and handed out to the Board, read by Mr. Page.

## Academic Report:

Jesse reported he has been to 3<sup>rd</sup> class at BOCES. He has made it into each classroom already. Patricia Harman reported: She is teaching the Structured Literacy- 45 minutes a day with current work on CVC = Consonant vowel consonant. Cheryl Literacy coach from CDE comes 1 time a week sometimes 2 times. This is a 3-5-year process, looking good with the Kindergarten-5<sup>th</sup> grades. All reading structured same, continues and builds on itself, leveled readers, fast as you can then slow if needed will hit goals. Dibels opens on Monday, ELAT grant with Amplify controls. Clever not up to par, CDE has fixed it.

# **Maintenance Report:**

None

# Superintendent's Report-

Thank you as the assistant maintenance director. Missey, Jesse and others here helped. Kade is doing good, thank you to staff during absence and Mom is doing good. Mid October rehab. Jesse stepped in and up. Josh Neibur with Limon Schools came and painted the football field and came today for the 2<sup>nd</sup> time. He put a large A in the center of the field, we will fill it in tomorrow. Josh's machine took 40 minutes to paint the field. Thank you to staff – we've had a fantastic start to the year. Student Council planned things out. Recent events: Counselor Corporation Grant – Misty Lyman, Ronda Peeples, Micah Wagner, Mr. Page attended a full day of training. Some hire, some grow their own Counselor. Superintendent retreat in Colorado Springs last week. Student Council shirts- Asking for Board opinion and approval on designs. CHSAA meeting executive committee to legislature council 52-21 All nonpublic schools must multiply enrollment by 1.5 for sports. All public schools give numbers to CDE turn in #, Private/charter schools turn in own #. Step in the right direction.

Counselor grant question: Is it funded? Yes for 3 years. Grant may or may not be available then thereafter.

#### **Old Business**

None

## **New Business:**

Scott Szabo, CPA Auditor- presented to the Board the Fiscal Year ending 2025 Audit. Walked through report and Arickaree has a 9-month reserve, doing good. Board asked questions and Scott answered them on investing, PERA required report. Board thanked Scott for coming and presenting.

Jennifer Koolstra asked the question: Where would the money go if our school were to close?

Discussion on: BEST Grant- Health and Safety is a common request to apply for the grant with a good chance of receiving it. Priorities: water pipe, roof. Kade is working on a list of priorities. Private contractors get bids? How to prepare for the future. Dennis Koolstra and Fred Skubal got up on roof and checked it out. They both believe it can be repaired. We have sealed it many times before – lasts 5-10 years. The broken vent pipes need replaced with stronger pipes.

Motion was made by King, seconded by Hermes to adopt RESOLUTION #28-25: "Be it resolved by the Board of Education of Arickaree School District R-2 in Washington County to approve Amanda Brown as Elementary Teacher for the 2025-2026 school year." Voting: Axsom yes, Hermes yes, King yes, Koolstra yes, Schrock yes, motion carried.

Motion was made by Hermes, seconded by Axsom to adopt RESOLUTION #29-25: "Be it resolved by the Board of Education of Arickaree School District R-2 in Washington County to approve Kade Dutton as Maintenance/Transportation Director for the 2025-2026 school year." Voting: Axsom yes, Hermes yes, King yes, Koolstra yes, Schrock yes, motion carried.

Motion was made by Axsom, seconded by Koolstra to adopt RESOLUTION #30-25: "Be it resolved by the Board of Education of Arickaree School District R-2 in Washington County to approve Changing the Graduation Date from May 9, 2026 to May 17, 2026 at 2:00 p.m." Voting: Axsom yes, Hermes yes, King yes, Koolstra yes, Schrock yes, motion carried.

Motion was made by Axson, seconded by Hermes to adopt RESOLUTION #31-25: "Be it resolved by the Board of Education of Arickaree School District R-2 in Washington County to approve cancelling the School Board Election on November 4, 2025 due to no opposition." Voting: Axsom yes, Hermes yes, King yes, Koolstra yes, Schrock yes, motion carried.

Motion was made by King, seconded by Hermes to adopt RESOLUTION #32-25: "Be it resolved by the Board of Education of Arickaree School District R-2 in Washington County to approve Assignees and Authorization:

- a. Board appointment of CASB Legislative Duties
- b. Appointment of district auditor- Lauer, Szabo and Associates
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Voting: Axsom yes, Hermes yes, King yes, Koolstra yes, Schrock yes, motion carried.

Motion was made by Axsom, seconded by King to adopt RESOLUTION #33-25: "Be it resolved by the Board of Education of Arickaree School District R-2 in Washington County to approve the Financial Audit for Fiscal Year 2025 as presented by Scott Szabo, CPA." Voting: Axsom yes, Hermes yes, King yes, Koolstra yes, Schrock yes, motion carried.

Motion was made by King, seconded by Schrock to adjourn the meeting at 8:49 p.m. with the next meeting to be October 14, 2025 at 7:00 p.m. with a Board Work session at 5:30 p.m. Future of the School/Building. Voting: Axsom yes, Hermes yes, King yes, Koolstra yes, Schrock yes, motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted by:

, Secretary

Tyson King, President