

students. The electrical panel in the gym was replaced. New doors for the east entrance to the gym have been ordered. He would like to have an executive session for a student matter today.

5. WCES Principal Higgins reported that they are looking in to the problems with the sound system from the elementary Christmas program. Several board members commented on how well the program went this year. WCES had their shoe distribution from the Convoy of Hope last week. His staff is completing a questionnaire on effective communication and he will have a breakdown of their answers at the next meeting.
6. Superintendent Higgins reviewed budgets and utilities with the Board. Discussion was held regarding the revised Capital Outlay 5 year plan. Discussion centered around the need to update technology and security systems and updating facilities such as auditorium seating. Charging local entities custodial fees for the use of buildings was also discussed.
7. Mrs. Julie Conard's speech class entered the meeting at 1:35 p.m. Students in attendance were Kelsie Conard, Abbie Nickelson, Kelaiah Anderson, Jorge Gallegos, Morgen Budde, Heather Comfort, Abbey Fischer, Abby Ridder, Jocelyn Martinez, Kolton Sheppard, and Kinzie Bangerter. Five students presented speeches they had performed for class. Jorge Gallegos presented a proposal to incorporate a College Prep class for Seniors first semester and Heather Comfort presented a proposal for a Life Skills class for Seniors second semester. Morgen Budde's speech encouraged the Board to adopt a Community Service program for students with a requirement for graduation similar to the Scott City program. Abbey Fisher's request was to increase foreign language options for students. Board members questioned each speaker for details and implementation ideas. The class left the meeting after Kelsi Conard took the Board's picture for the yearbook.
8. Mr. Higgins reviewed the FY 2016 financial audit report from Kennedy McKee LLC with the Board.

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| Accept financial audit report | 9. | Brandon Whalen moved and Brian Gerstberger seconded to accept the financial audit as presented. Motion carried 7-0. |
| Approve 3 year contract with Kennedy McKee | 10. | Following discussion Jason Koehn moved and Tom Ridder seconded to approve a 3 year contract with Kennedy McKee LLC for fiscal audit services for FY2017, FY 2018 and FY 2019. Motion carried 7-0. |
| Goal discussion | 11. | Discussion was held on strategies the schools are using to implement the district goals. WCJ-SHS is looking at curriculum changes to encourage Civic Engagement. WCES is working on effective communication strategies. Tammy Simons requested some updates to the Board of Education page on the web site. |
| Executive session for personnel | 12. | At 2:40 p.m. Brian Gerstberger moved and Tammy Simons seconded to enter executive session with the Board, Mr. Higgins and Mr. Schmidt present for one hour to discuss matters relating to non-elected personnel because if this matter were discussed in open session it might invade the privacy of those discussed. Motion carried 7-0. |
| | 13. | Delbert Schmidt exited the meeting at 3:02 p.m. |
| | 14. | At 3:40p.m. the regular meeting resumed with no action taken. |
| Adjournment | 15. | Jim Myers officially adjourned the meeting at 3:41 p.m. |

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