The USD 259 Board of Education is the district’s leadership team. This body is responsible for understanding how students can receive the best possible education to empower and prepare them for the 21st century. The board ensures that the educational experience is “coherent, rigorous, safe and nurturing, culturally response, and inclusive learning community.” Board members are elected or chosen at-large and represent the six voting districts. Board members include President Betty Arnold, Vice President Mike Rodee and district representatives Babara Fuller, Sheril Logan, Joy Eakins, Jeff Davis, and Lynn Rogers. Superintendent John Allison serves on the board as well. The following is a brief biography of each Board of Education member.

Betty Arnold (president) – Originally from Hope, AR, Arnold has a business degree from Wichita State and is a retired auditor of the State of Kansas, Department of Labor. Arnold has been a member of the board since 2007 and represents District 1.

Mike Rodee (vice president) – Representing District 5, Rodee and was born in Ellinwood, KS and is a graduate of Emporia State University. He is owner of South Central Sealing, LLC. His area of focus is reading skills and fiscal responsibility. Rodee has been a board member since 2013.

Babara Fuller – A board member since 2007, Fuller hails from Chicago, IL and has an education degree from the University of Arkansas and master’s from Wichita State. She represents District 3 and is a retired educator. Her area of focus is curriculum and instruction.

Sheril Logan – Focused on increasing the graduate rate of district students, Logan is an at-large board member. She is from Hutchinson, KS and received both an undergraduate and graduate degree in education from Wichita State. Logan has been a board member since 2011.

Joy Eakins – Representing District 2 and board member since 2013, Eakins is from Houston, TX. She focused on community and parental involvement. She has math degrees from the University of Mississippi (BS) and the University of Colorado (MS), as well as a master’s in theological studies.

Jeff Davis – A native Wichitan and police sergeant for the Wichita Police Department, Davis represents District 4. He is a graduate of South High School and is a member of the Kansas Association of School Boards. Davis has been a board member since 2007.

Lynn Rogers – A board member since 2011, Rogers was born in Fremont, NE and has a business degree from the University of Nebraska-Lincoln. He is vice president and senior relationship manager-leasing for CoBank Farm Credit Leasing. Rogers represents District 6.

John Allison (superintendent) – Serving as superintendent of Wichita Public Schools since 2009, Allison believes that community involvement in education is essential for student success. He has a bachelor’s degree from the University of Kansas and a master’s from Emporia State University.