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## City Commission Candidates Hold Forum On Issues



Wynn Butler is conservative to the core. Jerred McKee is a very liberal. Both spoke well on the questions ask.



Michael Dobson is a former Army general, is more of a moderate. John Ball is conservative, like Butler, and will make a solid commissioner for conservative voters.



Kaleb James is young, and very much a conservative. Linda Morse is a liberal, who would vote like fellow progressives.

## Federal Judge Stalls Obama's Executive Action

HOUSTON — (AP) - The White House promised an appeal Tuesday after a federal judge in Texas temporarily blocked President Barack Obama's executive action on immigration and gave a coalition of 26 states time to pursue a lawsuit aiming to permanently stop the orders.

U.S. District Judge Andrew Hanen's decision late Monday puts on hold Obama's orders that could spare from deportation as many as 5 million people who are in the U.S. illegally. In response, the U.S. Department of Homeland Security said it would halt preparations for a program to protect parents of U.S. citizens or legal permanent residents until further notice.

In a memorandum accompanying his order, Hanen said the lawsuit should go forward and that the states would "suffer irreparable harm in this case" without a preliminary injunction.

"The genie would be impossible to put back into the bottle," he wrote, adding that he agreed that legalizing the presence of millions of people is a "virtually irreversible" action.

In a statement early Tuesday, the White House defended the executive orders issued in November as within the president's legal authority, saying the U.S. Supreme Court and Congress have said federal officials can establish priorities in enforcing immigration laws.

The White House said the U.S. Department of Justice will file an appeal, which will be heard by the 5th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals in New Orleans.

U.S. Attorney General Eric Holder said the Justice Department was reviewing the ruling and was confident the matter would ultimately be taken up by a higher court, possibly the U.S. Supreme Court.

"We have to look at this decision for what it is: It is a decision by one federal district court judge," Holder said.

The first of Obama's orders — to expand a program that protects young immigrants from deportation if they were brought to the U.S. illegally as children — was set to start taking effect Wednesday. The other major part of Obama's order, which extends deportation protections to parents of U.S. citizens and permanent residents who have been in the country for some years, was not expected to begin until May 19.

Joaquin Guerra, political director of Texas Organizing Project, called the ruling a "temporary setback."

"We will continue getting immigrants ready to apply for administrative relief," he said in a statement. The nonprofit says it promotes social and economic equality for low to moderate income Texans.

The coalition of states, led by Texas and made up of mostly conservative states in the South and Midwest, argues that Obama has violated the "Take Care Clause" of the U.S.

Constitution, which they say limits the scope of presidential power, and that his executive actions would be difficult to undo once immigrants started to apply for deferred action. They also say Obama's order would force increased investment in law enforcement, health care and education.

House Speaker John Boehner said Monday's ruling wasn't a surprise and underscores that Obama acted beyond his authority. Senate Majority Leader Mitch McConnell echoed the sentiments, adding that Obama has repeatedly acknowledged "he doesn't have the authority to take the kinds of actions he once referred to as 'ignoring the law' and 'unwise and unfair.'"

Both called on Senate Democrats to relent in their opposition to a Homeland Security Department spending bill that overturns Obama's action. The department's funding expires Feb. 27 and Congress has only a few legislative days to act.

Texas Attorney General Ken Paxton called the decision a "victory for the rule of law in America" in a statement late Monday. Texas Gov. Greg Abbott, who led the state into the lawsuit when he was the state's attorney general, said Hanen's decision "rightly stops the President's overreach in its tracks."

Hanen, who's been on the federal court since 2002 after being nominated by President George W. Bush, regularly handles border cases but wasn't known for being outspoken on immigration until a 2013 case. In that case, Hanen suggested that Homeland Security should be arresting parents living in the U.S. illegally who induce their children to cross the border.

Congressional Republicans have vowed to block Obama's actions by cutting off Homeland Security Department spending for the program. Earlier this year, the Republican-controlled House passed a \$39.7 billion spending bill to fund the department through the end of the budget year, but attached language to undo Obama's executive actions. The fate of that House-passed bill is unclear as Republicans in the Senate do not have the 60-vote majority needed to advance most legislation.

Among those supporting Obama's executive order is a group of 12 mostly liberal states, including Washington and California, as well as the District of Columbia. They filed a motion with Hanen in support of Obama, arguing the directives will substantially benefit states and will further the public interest.

A group of law enforcement officials, including the Major Cities Chiefs Association and more than 20 police chiefs and sheriffs from across the country, also filed a motion in support, arguing the executive action will improve public safety by encouraging cooperation between police and individuals with concerns about their immigration status.

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## Riley County Minutes Cost Taxpayers \$700 Per Month

What the Riley County Clerk and the Riley County Commissioners are doing with the Commission Minutes is Deceiving.

Look at the Minutes taken by Rich Vargo this

year (left) and the Minutes taken by Rich Vargo last year (right). This year the County is paying \$700 per month to produce nothing but filler (left) and last year it did not cost extra to write a complete history of the meeting.

### Board of Riley County Commissioners Regular Meeting Minutes

February 09, 2015

115 North 4th Street Manhattan, KS 66502

Commission Chambers 8:30 AM  
8:30 AM Call to Order  
Pledge of Allegiance  
Public Comment  
1. Public Comments  
No public comment.  
Commission Comments  
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Board of Riley County Commissioners  
February 9, 2015

2. Commission Comments

Business Meeting

3. Sign Riley County Personnel Action Form(s)

The Board of County Commissioners signed Riley County Personnel Action Forms for the following:

Lesley Smith, a new hire, as a Raising Riley Literacy Facilitator, in the Health Department, at a grade G step 1, at \$14.61 per hour.

Carla Marrier, a new hire, as a Public Health Nurse, in the Health Department, at a grade S step 2, at \$27.19 per hour.

4. Sign a Tax Roll Correction

8. Approve Purchase Authorization for Kubota Tractor

Lund presented the purchase authorization for the Kubota tractor. Move to approve the Purchase Authorization to purchase a Kubota Ag Tractor from KanEquip, Inc., of Wamego, KS. Available on the state contract, sole source.

(Editor's Note: What was the purchase price?

RESULT: ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS] MOVER:

Robert Boyd, County Commissioner SECONDER: Ben Wilson, County Commissioner AYES: Boyd, Wells, Wilson

9. Sign Letter for Protection of Older Americans Act

Move to sign a letter for protection of Older Americans Act.

RESULT: ADOPTED [2 TO 1]

MOVER: Robert Boyd, County Commissioner

SECONDER: Ronald Wells, County Commissioner

AYES: Boyd, Wells

NAYS: Wilson

10. Sign Appraiser's Real Estate Sales Data Search Service Agreement for David Renberg of Renberg Realty, located at 1600 Poyntz Ave. in Manhattan, KS.

Move to approve Real Estate Sales Data Search Service Agreement for

David Renberg of Renberg Realty

RESULT: ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS] MOVER:

Robert Boyd, County Commissioner SECONDER: Ben Wilson, County Commissioner AYES: Boyd, Wells, Wilson

11. Approve a Plaza Reservation Request for May 7, 2015 for National Day of Prayer

Move to approve a Plaza Reservation Request for May 7, 2015 for National Day of Prayer from 12:00 (noon) to 1:00 p.m.

RESULT: ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS] MOVER:

Robert Boyd, County Commissioner AYES: Boyd, Wells, Wilson

12. Discuss Intergovernmental Luncheon for Monday, February 23rd

Review Minutes

13. Board of Riley County Commissioners - Regular Meeting - Feb 5, 2015 8:30 AM

Move to approve the minutes.

RESULT: ACCEPTED AS AMENDED [UNANIMOUS] MOVER: Robert Boyd, County Commissioner SECONDER: Ben Wilson, County Commissioner

AYES: Boyd, Wells, Wilson

Review Tentative Agenda

14. Tentative Agenda

Press Conference Topics

15. Discuss Press Conference

9:00 AM Rich Vargo, County Clerk

16. Year to date budget and expenditure reports

Vargo presented the year to date budget and expenditure reports.

9:15 AM Shilo Heger, Treasurer

17. January 2015 Revenue Reporting - Riley County Treasurer Heger presented the year to date revenue report.

9:30 AM Press Conference

18. Kansas Department of Health and Environment Child Care Licensing Program Town Hall Tour 2015 - Brevia Spencer (3-4 minutes)

Spencer discussed the Kansas Department of Health and Environment Child Care Licensing Program Town Hall tour 2015. Spencer said Riley County will host a local meeting at the Fire Station at Denison February 17, 2015.

19. Community Health Planning Meetings to be held in Manhattan and Riley - Brevia Spencer (3 minutes)

Spencer said the Community Health Improvement Plan Meetings will be held Thursday, February 12 in Manhattan at the Riley County Health Department, 2030 Tecumseh Road 1:00 - 2:30 p.m. in the Board

Room and at the Riley Centre, Riley, Kansas on Wednesday, February 18, 6:30-8:30 p.m.

20. Garden Show - Gregg Eyestone (2 minutes)

Eyestone reported the Garden Show will be Saturday, February 21, 2015 9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. and Sunday, February 22, 2015 noon-4:00 p.m. at Pottorf Hall.

21. GIS website - Steve Higgins and Jacob Gaylon (5 minutes) Higgins & Gaylon reviewed how the public can view the Riley County floodplain maps. Higgins said if residents have questions to contact the Riley County GIS department.

22. USD 384 Mail Ballot Election - Rich Vargo (3 minutes)

Vargo reported USD 384 LOB mail ballot election ballots have been mailed. Vargo said ballots must be in the Clerk's office by noon on February 24.

Vargo reported Riley County will not have any Primary Elections this year. Vargo said the General Election will be April 7th and the voter registration deadline is March 17th.

### The Board of County Commissioners Of Riley County, Kansas

The Regular meeting of the Board of County Commissioners met at the Riley County Plaza East Building February 10, 2014 with the following members present: Robert Boyd, Chair; Ron Wells, Vice Chair; Dave Lewis, Member; and Rich Vargo, County Clerk.

8:30 Pledge of Allegiance

Public Comment, Commission Comments, & Business Meeting  
Clancy Holeman, Counselor/Director of Administrative Services; Cindy Volanti, Human Resource Manager/Deputy Clerk; Johnette Shepek, Budget and Finance Officer; Laura Monsanto, KMAN; Julie Winter, Public Works Office Manager; Bob Isaac, Planner; and Leon Hobson, Public Works Director/County Engineer, attended.

Lewis moved to approve the minutes of February 6, 2014 as amended. Wells seconded. Carried 3-0.

8:55 Rich Vargo, County Clerk

Clancy Holeman, Counselor/Director of Administrative Services; Cindy Volanti, Human Resource Manager/Deputy Clerk; Johnette Shepek, Budget and Finance Officer; Laura Monsanto, KMAN; and Bob Isaac, Planner, attended.

Vargo presented year to date budget and expenditure reports.

9:08 Cindy Volanti, Human Resource Manager/Deputy Clerk  
Clancy Holeman, Counselor/Director of Administrative Services; Johnette Shepek, Budget and Finance Officer; Laura Monsanto, KMAN; Shannon Wertzberger, Administrative Analyst; Kristina Jackson, Manhattan Mercury; Greg Lund, Parks Manager; and Bob Isaac, Planner, attended.

Volanti showed the Board the new HREPartners application process.

9:30 Press Conference

Greg Lund, Parks Manager; Eileen King, Treasurer; Greg McClure, County Extension Agent; Gregg Eyestone, County Extension Agent; Brenda Nickel, Health Department Director; Leon Hobson, Public Works Director/County Engineer; Kristina Jackson, Manhattan Mercury; Laura Monsanto, KMAN; and Rick Petrie, Disc Fanatics of Kansas, attended.

Lund introduced Rick Petrie of Disc Fanatics of Kansas.

Petrie discussed the Fairmont Park disc golf project and expansion.

Petrie reported on February 22, 2014 the "ICE Bowl" will be held. Petrie said from 10:30 - 11:30 a.m. will be a meet and greet with the ribbon cutting being held at 11:30 a.m. and tournament beginning at 12:00 (noon).

Boyd presented Dave Schoneweis a Certificate for 17 Years of Appreciation on the Riley County Parks Board.

Schoneweis stated the Riley County parks system is one of the best kept secrets in Riley County.

King discussed the new commercial vehicle system.

McClure reported an Estate/Succession Planning Workshop will be held on March 1, 2014 at St. Columbkille Church Hall in Blaine, Kansas.

Eyestone said Landscape Design class will be held on Wednesdays starting February 12, 2014 from 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

Eyestone reported the Garden Show will be February 22, 2014 and February 23, 2014.

Nickel stated the Riley County Board of Health Meeting will be held at 7:00 p.m. Monday, February 24, 2014 at the Riley County Commission Chambers.

Hobson stated the Annual Township Officers Meeting will be held at 8:30 a.m. Wednesday, February 12, 2014 at Pottorf Hall.

Hobson said a University Park informational meeting on the sewer line project will be held Thursday, February 13, 2014 at 7:00 p.m. at the Randolph Senior Center.

Hobson discussed Riley County's snow removal process.

Hobson stated the total cost of the snow storms in 2014 to date is \$336,000.

Boyd said Riley County Offices will be closed Monday, February 17, 2014 in observance of Presidents' Day.

10:10 Leon Hobson, Public Works Director/County Engineer  
Alvin Perez, Public Works Operations/Fleet Manager; Brenda Nickel, Health Department Director; Kristina Jackson, Manhattan Mercury; Laura Monsanto, KMAN; and Johnette Shepek, Budget and Finance Officer, attended.

Hobson discussed his recommendation on motor grader purchases. Hobson said using the cost per hour, the outright purchase of a motor grader with a 10-year buy back is the most favorable method when looking at a life cycle of 10 plus years. However, it requires a large initial investment. The next best option appears to be the 10-year lease with buyback. This method requires interest be paid, but the annual payment is within the budgeted amount.

Hobson said staff recommends Riley County purchase the three motor graders from Foley Equipment out right for a total price of \$660,000 if funds are available. If funding is not available, staff recommends leasing the three motor graders from Foley Equipment for a period of 10-years with a guaranteed buy back.

The Board agreed by consensus with the recommendation to purchase Caterpillar motor graders.

The Board asked staff to get the financial numbers if Riley County financed the purchase through temporary financing.

Hobson discussed Public Works projects.

10:25 Brenda Nickel, Health Department Director  
Clancy Holeman, Counselor/Director of Administrative Services; Kristina Jackson, Manhattan Mercury; Laura Monsanto, KMAN; and Johnette Shepek, Budget and Finance Officer, attended.

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In two years Commissioners Bob Boyd and Ron Wells will be up for re-election, vote them out of office and replace them with two who will kill the Building Commission.

Any two Commissioners can change anything that these Commissioner have put together but if a building is constructed using the Building Commission it can not be stopped until the Bonds have been paid off. It might be a long time coming. The County Commissioners (see the video at [manhattanfreepress.com](http://manhattanfreepress.com)) have been talking about a 50-year bond issue for a new Courthouse.

If this continues you will see the Building Commission become the lending agency for the City, County, School District and the State of Kansas. You will not have another vote on any new buildings projects in Manhattan or Riley County

Check out the Videos of the two meetings the Riley County Commission held on a Public Building Commission at our web site: [manhattanfreepress.com](http://manhattanfreepress.com)

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## Virginia windfall soaks taxpayers

By Kenric Ward | Watchdog.org

RICHMOND, Va. — State tax collections are running “well ahead” of projections, so Democratic Gov. Terry McAuliffe wants to raise public-sector pay.

Others ask: Why not give the millions back to taxpayers — or at least cut them a break by adjusting Virginia’s antiquated income-tax brackets for inflation?

State receipts of estimated payments for December and January rose 31 percent from a year ago. The total revenue forecast is up by \$245 million in fiscal 2015 and \$229 million in fiscal 2016.

House Republicans voted to kill \$10.2 million in new and higher fees sought by McAuliffe. Both the governor and the GOP leadership want to stash millions more into the state’s rainy day fund.

“We continue to see an improvement in our major revenue sources,” McAuliffe said. “Current trends show that Virginia’s economy is growing stronger.”

It’s unclear whether lawmakers will go along with McAuliffe’s bid to raise teacher salaries; several localities have already done so on their own. The state’s new largesse gives the Republican-controlled House and Senate an opportunity to recast Virginia’s budget for the next biennium.

Collections of payroll withholding taxes — 64 percent of General Fund revenues — increased 4.2 percent, ahead of the revised forecast of 2.9 percent growth. Year-to-date non-withholding revenue jumped 22.1 percent, well ahead of the annual estimate of 6.3 percent.

Such increases are driven

partly by antiquated tax thresholds that push lower-income earners into higher tax brackets. Unadjusted for inflation over the past 30 years, the state tax schedule now has Virginians who earn just \$17,000 a year — just above food stamp eligibility — paying the highest individual rate.

Former Delegate Barbara Comstock’s attempt to index tax tables for inflation never got out of the House last year.

Abusive tax formulas that burden taxpayers while governments roll in dough sparked a grassroots revolt in California in 1978. Voters there passed Proposition 13, which continues to freeze property taxes to this day.

Under Republican Gov. Bob McDonnell, Virginia’s budget jumped 14 percent from \$84 billion to \$96 billion in two years. While the administration rammed through a record tax increase for transit projects, officials found \$1 billion in transportation funds languishing in a state checking account.

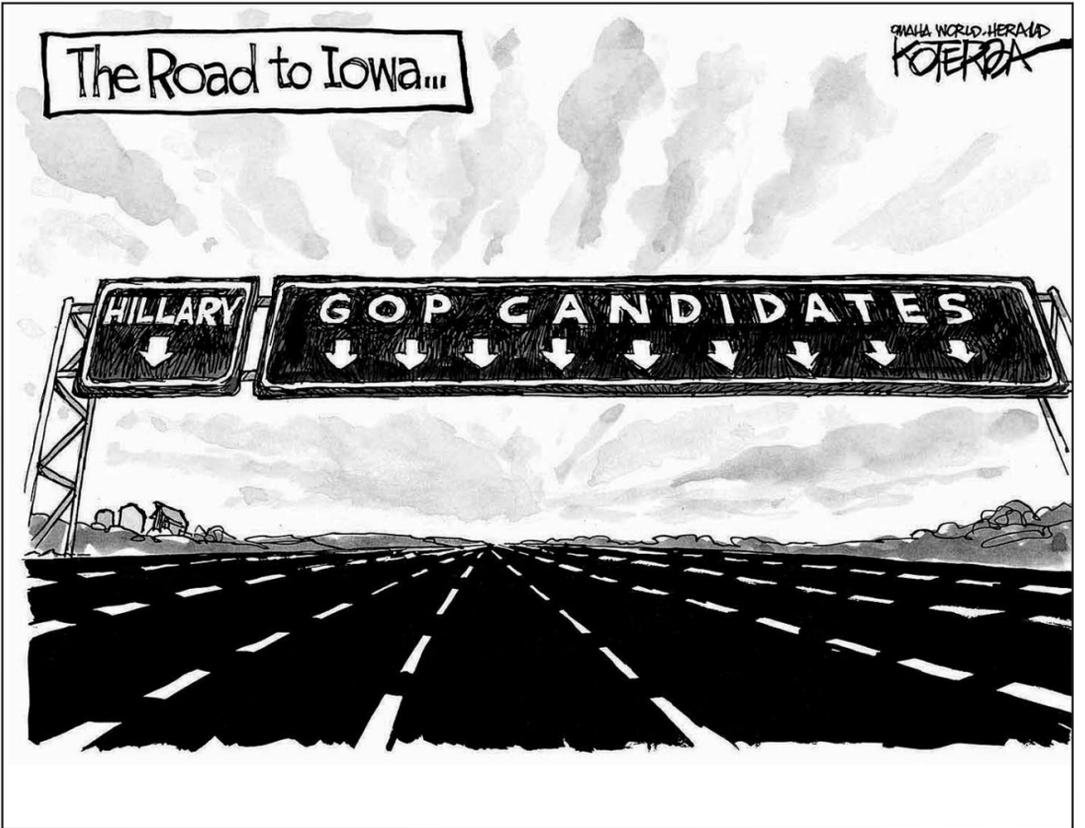
In a statement, McAuliffe cautioned, “It is critical that we keep an eye on long-term challenges that underscore the urgency of diversifying our economy to ensure stable growth and reliable services for our citizens.”

At a record-setting pace, his administration continues to issue hundreds of millions of dollars in taxpayer-funded grants and tax breaks to lure businesses to the state. The governor says he needs more money for what critics call his “photo opportunity fund.”

Meanwhile, hundreds of businesses have laid off workers or shut down operations in the past year. The “green agenda” pushed by McAuliffe and the Obama Environmental Protection Agency is blamed for many of the losses.

Pro-market economists maintain that low taxes are crucial to growth and diversification. In contrast, high-tax states such as New York and Illinois have lost companies and productive residents to Southern states where the tax climate is more benign.

Jared Walczak, policy analyst at the Tax Foundation, said



neighboring North Carolina, West Virginia and the District of Columbia are now using “triggers” to lower taxes when revenues exceed expectations. Even Massachusetts, which

earned the sobriquet Taxachusetts, dropped its income-tax rate last year when collections came in above projections.

John Taylor, president of the Virginia Institute for Public Policy, floated a plan in 2005 to peg any tax hikes to population increases and inflation. In the event of an increase, the proposal included “a referendum

for people to say whether they wanted their money back.”

“No politicians of either party liked it,” he said.



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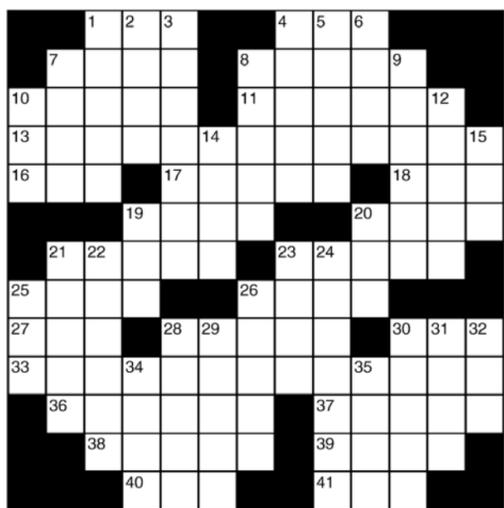
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### Answers On Page 3



## Cheesy Beef and Tomato Casserole

This hearty beef casserole feeds six and can be ready for the oven in less than 30 minutes.

#### Ingredients

- 1 lb lean (at least 80%) ground beef
- 1 medium onion, chopped (1/2 cup)
- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- 1/8 teaspoon pepper
- 3/4 cup uncooked medium-grain white rice
- 1 cup water
- 1 medium zucchini, cut into 1/4-inch-thick slices (2 cups)
- 1 large tomato, chopped (1 cup)
- 1 can (19 oz) Progresso™ Vegetable Classics tomato basil soup
- 2 cups shredded mozzarella cheese (8 oz)

#### Directions

- 1 Heat oven to 375°F. Spray 13x9-inch (3-quart) glass

baking dish with cooking spray. In 10-inch skillet, cook beef and onion over medium-high heat, stirring frequently, until beef is thoroughly cooked; drain. Sprinkle with salt and pepper.

2 Place rice and water in baking dish; stir to mix. Layer cooked beef, zucchini and tomato over rice. Pour soup over top. Cut 16x12-inch sheet of foil; spray with cooking spray. Cover dish with foil, sprayed side down.

3 Bake 40 minutes. Uncover dish; sprinkle cheese over top. Bake uncovered 10 to 15 minutes longer or until edges are bubbly and cheese is lightly browned.

#### Expert Tips

Use your garden-harvested zucchini in this hearty entrée. Large zucchini can be used if the slices are cut into quarters.

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### GIRLS RANKINGS

#### 6A Girls

- 1 - Maize
- 2 - Wichita South
- 3 - Olathe South
- 4 - SM Northwest
- 5 - Manhattan
- 6 - Washburn Rural
- 7 - Hutchinson
- 8 - SM West
- 9 - Free State
- 10 - Dodge City

#### 4A D1-Girls

1. Bishop Miege
2. Paola
3. McPherson
4. Topeka Hayden
5. Labette Co
6. Chanute
7. Buhler
8. Andale
9. Abilene
10. Wamego

#### 3A Girls

1. Hesston
2. Cimarron
3. Garden Plain
4. Lyons
5. Silver Lake
6. Caney Valley
7. Douglass
8. Sabetha
9. NE Arma
10. Sterling

#### 1A-Div 1-Girls

1. Hoxie
2. Waverly
3. Centralia
4. St. Paul
5. Ingalls
6. Dighton
7. Goessel
8. Centre
9. LaCrosse
10. Thunder Ridge

#### 5A Girls

1. Aquinas
2. Leavenworth
3. Andover Central
4. Kapaun
5. Andover
6. Mill Valley
7. Blue Valley SW
8. Salina Central
9. Seaman
10. Shawnee Hts

#### 4A D2-Girls

1. Baldwin
2. Hugoton
3. TMP-Hays
4. Pratt
5. Wichita Trinity
6. Concordia
7. Clay Center
8. Holton
9. Iola
10. Columbus

#### 2A Girls

1. Central Plains
2. Ellinwood
3. Washington County
4. Olpe
5. Moundridge
6. Chase County
7. Pitt-Colgan
8. Valley Falls
9. Northern Hts
10. Meade

#### 1A-Div 2- Girls

1. Moscow
2. Cunningham
3. St. John's/Tipton
4. Triplains/Brewser
5. Axtell
6. Wheatland/Grinnell
7. Golden Plains
8. Norwich
9. Attica
10. Wallace County

### BOYS RANKINGS

#### 6A Boys

1. Wichita East
2. Lawrence
3. Manhattan
4. Olathe North
5. Olathe East
6. BV North
7. Wyandotte
8. SM North
9. Wichita South
10. Derby

#### 4A-Div 1-Boys

1. McPherson
2. Basehor Linwood
3. Independence
4. Ottawa
5. Eudora
6. Abilene
7. Miege
8. Andale
9. Circle
10. Buhler

#### 3A Boys

1. Scott City
2. Beloit
3. Sabetha
4. Wichita Collegiate
5. Hesston
6. Osage City
7. Burlington
8. Nemaha Central
9. Norton
10. Humboldt

#### 1A-Div 1-Boys

1. Hanover
2. Osborne
3. Hoxie
4. Stockton
5. Doniphan West
6. Burrton
7. Centralia
8. Valley Heights
9. Victoria
10. Hartford

#### 5A Boys

1. Shawnee Heights
2. Maize South
3. Wichita Hts.
4. Salina Central
5. Kapaun Mt. Carmel
6. KC Washington
7. Bishop Carroll
8. St. Thomas Aquinas
9. Blue Valley West
10. Andover Central

#### 4A-Div 2-Boys

1. Holcomb
2. Rock Creek
3. Girard
4. Wichita Trinity
5. Hugoton
6. Royal Valley
7. Concordia
8. Holton
9. Parsons
10. TMP-Hays

#### 2A Boys

1. St. John
2. Olpe
3. Central Plains
4. Sacred Heart
5. South Gray
6. Jackson Heights
7. Troy
8. Washington County
9. Spearville
10. Bennington

#### 1A-Div 2-Boys

1. St. John's-Tipton
2. Wallace County
3. Caldwell
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# Big 12 Mens Standings

Men's Basketball	Big12						
Team	Record	Pct	Home	Away	Neutral	Streak	Record
<b>Kansas</b>	10-3	.769	6-0	4-3	0-0	L1	21-5
<b>Iowa State</b>	8-4	.667	7-0	1-4	0-0	W1	18-6
<b>Oklahoma</b>	9-5	.643	6-1	3-4	0-0	W1	18-8
<b>West Virginia</b>	8-5	.615	5-2	3-3	0-0	W1	20-6
<b>Baylor</b>	7-6	.538	4-2	3-4	0-0	W1	19-7
<b>Oklahoma State</b>	7-6	.538	5-1	2-5	0-0	L1	17-8
<b>Texas</b>	6-7	.462	3-3	3-4	0-0	L1	17-9
<b>Kansas State</b>	6-7	.462	5-2	1-5	0-0	W1	13-13
<b>TCU</b>	2-10	.167	1-5	1-5	0-0	W1	15-10
<b>Texas Tech</b>	2-12	.143	2-5	0-7	0-0	L4	12-15

# Big 12 Womens Standings

Women's Basketball	Big12						
Team	Record	Pct	Home	Away	Neutral	Streak	Record
<b>Baylor</b>	13-0	1.000	7-0	6-0	0-0	W13	24-1
<b>Oklahoma</b>	10-4	.714	7-0	3-4	0-0	L1	16-9
<b>Iowa State</b>	7-7	.500	5-2	2-5	0-0	W1	16-9
<b>TCU</b>	7-7	.500	5-2	2-5	0-0	W1	15-10
<b>Oklahoma State</b>	6-7	.462	4-3	2-4	0-0	W3	16-8
<b>Texas</b>	5-8	.385	4-2	1-6	0-0	W1	16-8
<b>Kansas State</b>	5-8	.385	4-3	1-5	0-0	L1	15-9
<b>Texas Tech</b>	5-8	.385	3-3	2-5	0-0	W2	15-10
<b>West Virginia</b>	5-8	.385	4-2	1-6	0-0	L1	15-10
<b>Kansas</b>	4-10	.286	2-5	2-5	0-0	L4	13-14

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## K-State's Foster sinks No. 17 Oklahoma again, 59-56

MANHATTAN, Kan. (AP) — With memories of Marcus Foster's game-winning 3-pointer last month in mind, Oklahoma coach Lon Kruger saw nothing more in Kansas State's 12-13 record than numbers.

And just as he did Jan. 10 in Norman, Foster sealed a grind-it-out victory for the Wildcats on Saturday night.

Foster made a tiebreaking 3 with 3.4 seconds left and scored 14 points in his return from a three-game suspension to lead Kansas State to a 59-56 win over the 17th-ranked Sooners.

Kruger praised Wildcats coach Bruce Weber for the way he's handled adversity this season.

"Every film looks the same in terms of great effort and intensity," Kruger said. "It is not easy to do when you have different things happening to your lineup, but Bruce has done a great job of dealing with that."

Buddy Hield had 14 points to pace Oklahoma (17-8, 8-5 Big 12) but was held to his lowest point total since Jan. 5 against Baylor.

"They called me out to step up to the task and shut Buddy Hield down," Kansas State forward Wesley Iwundu said. "Coming into the game, that was my whole mindset, to focus on defense and make everything hard for them."

Kruger, a former Kansas State All-American, fell to 5-7 against his alma mater.

Kansas State (13-13, 6-7) established its late lead with only three field goals in the final 9 minutes. Free

throw shooting was crucial as the Wildcats went 8 for 10 down the stretch and finished 28 of 36 for the game.

Following a dismal performance from the field in the first half, the Wildcats used a 13-2 run to push their lead to 42-37 with 12:02 left.

Kansas State's offense opened up when Oklahoma's top interior threat, Ryan Spangler, and reserve Khadeem Lattin left the game with four fouls each with more than 12 minutes remaining.

Spangler checked back in with 8:42 left and fouled out in less than 30 seconds. Thomas Gipson followed Spangler's exit with two free throws, equaling Kansas State's largest lead at 50-43.

"They were more aggressive than us at both ends of the floor," Sooners forward TaShawn Thomas said. "They were more aggressive and fought harder on each possession."

Foster made his return just before the first media timeout and immediately hit a 3.

But it wasn't all fun and games for the Wildcats. Oklahoma flexed its frontcourt muscles in the first half, scoring 14 points in the paint and grabbing eight offensive rebounds.

Kansas State shot just 23 percent from the field in the first half, but used the charity stripe (13 of 15) to close with a 28-27 deficit.

The Wildcats also held the Sooners to 1-of-11 shooting from 3-point range in the opening 20 minutes.



Nino Williams (11) has played big on the court for Kansas State, here he goes after the ball against Oklahoma.



Kansas State's Wesley Iwundu (25) has the rebound and is not about to give it up.

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