

Who: Andrew Hysell, Dem. Primary Candidate for 48<sup>th</sup> Assembly District in Sun Prairie.

What: Operated a non-profit called Reading Roadmap which was contracted by the state of Kansas (no bid contract?) to operate a literacy program funded with TANF money.

Audit in 2019 by the state revealed “excessive payments” to executives of Hysell Wagner LLC and failure to follow basic standards of spending and accounting.

Reached a \$100,000 settlement to end audit and abandon a \$9 million contract Hysell was potentially due.

#### Highlights:

\$2.3 million incorrectly claimed and paid to Hysell Wagner LLC (Wichita Eagle 8/20/19). Suggest funds need to be re-couped from Hysell firm. Hysell claims there’s a difference between “mispending” and “bad paperwork”. Hysell got salary of \$192K.

38 Trips paid for with TANF money for executive to travel from east and west coast.

High Admin costs.

Lack of documentation for over \$800K in salary and benefits paid by the state to Reading Roadmap.

Another \$870K poorly documented non payroll costs.

\$86,000 in un-retained unspent grant funds. (Wichita Eagle 8/20/2019)

\$2350 in contributions between 2017 and 2021 to republican statewide candidate in Kansas.

(Source: KS Sec of State Campaign Finance viewer.

[https://kssos.org/elections/cfr\\_viewer/cfr\\_examiner\\_entry.aspx](https://kssos.org/elections/cfr_viewer/cfr_examiner_entry.aspx))

In his 2022 campaign for assembly Hysell funded \$50,000 of his \$80,000 losing campaign with his own money. (Source: WI ethics CFIS system)