REGISTER OF HISTORIC KANSAS PLACES—COVER SHEET

Name of Property: Brookville Grade School

Location: Jewitt and Perry streets

Brookville

Lot no.'s 1 and 2 of Block 28, Original Town of Brookville

Saline

Owner of Property: Unified School District #307

RFD #2

Salina, Kansas 67401

Saline Co.

National Register status:

date approved for nomination to the National Register by Kansas Historic Sites Board of Review: 8/21/62

date entered in National Register: 11/2/62

Description: The Brookville Grade School is situated at the west end of the once thriving, albeit small, town of Brookville. The two-and-a-half story brown sandstone structure is in very good condition, having been maintained as a school house continuously since its construction in 1880. The one major addition to the back of the school was done in a completely compatible manner. The gabled east end is three bays wide, and the cross-bar projects for one more bay on either side creating wings. The wings and the rear addition all have clipped gable roofs. The walls of the school are laid up in coursed and random work ashlar masonry. The projecting entrance bay is done in coursed ashlar, as are the eastern faces of the wings.
Significance: Schools have traditionally played a central role in the life of any community—be it rural, small town, or neighborhood of a large city. The size and design of the Brookville Grade School, built in 1879-1880 and added to in 1914, are indicative of the prominent position the school held in the town. Used continuously as a school for over 100 years, and still serving that function, the building is a significant tie to the very early days of Brookville. Its plan and simple decorative scheme are typical of school buildings of the period.

Form prepared by Nora Pat Small date 8/17/82

This property was approved for listing in the Register of Historic Kansas Places by the Kansas Historic Sites Board of Review on 12/1/82.

I hereby certify that this property is included in the Register of Historic Kansas Places.

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State Historic Preservation Officer date 4/7/82