

MINUTES OF MEETING
Ulysses Board of Education
Unified School District No. 214 - Grant County

The Board met in **Regular** Session **Monday, April 12, 2021 at 7:00 p.m.**

Members Present: President Margaret Nightengale
Vice President Jim Wilson
Jamie Kratzer
Mike Meyer
Diana Nunez
Clay Scott
Ron Smith

Members Absent:

Others Present: Superintendent Dave Younger
Assistant Superintendent Chad Krug
* Others - See List

Others Absent:

- 1) **CALL TO ORDER:** The meeting was called to order by President Nightengale at 7:00 pm.
- 2) **ADOPTION OF AGENDA:** The agenda was adopted on a motion by Jamie Kratzer — seconded by Diana Nunez — motion carried 7-0.
- 3) **CONSENT AGENDA:** Superintendent Younger reviewed the Consent Agenda as attached.
 - a) **APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**
 - i) Regular BOE meeting of March 8, 2021
 - ii) Special BOE meeting of April 2, 2021
 - b) **APPROVAL OF BILLS:** Approved the transfer from the General Fund on an "as need basis" to cover expenses attributed to the Food Service, Transportation, Vocational Education, and Bilingual Special Funds, and to pay bills in the amount of \$990,048.24.
 - c) **HIGH PLAINS EDUCATIONAL COOP (HPEC):** Mar. 25, 2021.
 - d) **PRINCIPAL REPORTS**

Clay Scott moved to approve the consent agenda with the addition of a \$1,300 grant for a Story Walk at a local community park — seconded by Jamie Kratzer — motion carried 7-0.

4) **NON-ACTION ITEMS PUBLIC FORUM:**

- a) None

5) **REPORTS:**

- a) **Correspondence:** Thank you card from N.H.S. sponsor, Chase Rietcheck, for the trip to Tulsa, OK.
- b) **Curriculum & Instruction:** Dr. Krug shared with the board information regarding the KESA pause superintendent survey that will be completed at the next DLT meeting on April 21st. Fastbridge has been identified as the resource that counselors agree should be our universal social-emotional universal screening tool for K-12 students. The 6-12 math team is in the process of identifying supplemental resources to extend the performance of our adopted LearnZillion curriculum. Recommendations from their work will be made at the May board meeting. Dr. Krug provided an update to the ongoing state assessments which are taking place and noticed the board that the KELPA testing was completed as scheduled, yet the grading was nearly complete. Results for KELPA tests will be available the week of May 10th while the results from other state tests will be available the week of May 24th. Dr. Krug provided information to the board regarding Summer Learning program development which has just begun. May 3rd will have Acellus training for 6-12 faculty as well as HMH math training for grades K-5.
- c) **Superintendent's Report:** Superintendent Younger reported the board an update on the bill for electric and gas from last month. Bids for two busses and a skid steer are due tomorrow. One of the activity busses requires a new motor requiring an expensive in-frame rebuild and will be down for a couple weeks. Board meetings will be held at Kepley library through the month of June 2021. Mr. Younger solicited feedback from the GWAC schools and learned that USD 214 is the only district still requiring masks. Mr. Younger shared with the board Covid numbers from the county and recommended the board drop the mask mandate for staff and students and instead make masks recommended. Mike Meyer moved to approve the recommendation of Mr. Younger that masks are recommended, not required as of Wednesday, April 14th. Seconded by Diana Nunez. Motion passed 7-0.

6) **NEW BUSINESS:**

- a) Opaa! contract – Mr. Younger reported to the board of his intention to transition USD 214 kitchen staff to Opaa! employees and will present the contract at the May board meeting.

7) **OLD BUSINESS:**

- a) K12ict report – Mr. Younger provided a report to the board on topics of the district technology committee's last meeting on March 31st.

8) **ACTION ITEMS:**

- a) Therapy dog – motion to approve the therapy dog policy as presented made by Clay Scott. Seconded by Diana Nunez. Motion carried 7-0.
- b) Capital Outlay – Mr. Younger provided an update on capital outlay expenses to date totaling \$822,237. Mr. Younger presented to the board the cost for staff computers from MNJ totalling \$156,518.05; four convection ovens \$27,400; four dishwashers (one per campus) at no cost with a chemical contract. Motion to approve the computers and convection ovens in addition to providing Mr. Younger the approval of looking into the dishwasher options made by Clay Scott. Seconded by Jamie Kratzer. Motion carried 7-0. Mr. Younger provided the board with other capital expenditures that are forthcoming which included the UHS concession roof and summer flooring work.
- c) Contracts – Motion to approve the contracts of Matt Cox (UHS – SS, Head Boy’s BB), Barton Keeler (UHS – ELA), Marion Fick (UHS – Business/Computers) made by Jamie Kratzer. Seconded by Diana Nunez. Motion carried 7-0.
- d) Resignations – motion to approve the resignations of Josh Johnson – ELA (UHS), Katelyn Johnson – Sullivan, Zach Pixler – Industrial Arts, Sam Pixler – Hickok, Becky Gundy – Sullivan, Chris Wagner – Boy’s BB (UHS) made by Jim Wilson. Seconded by Ron Smith. Motion carried 7-0.

9) **REVIEW LITIGATION WITH LEGAL COUNSEL:** None

10) **EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

- a) At 7:58 p.m. President Nightengale moved to go into executive session for 10 minutes to discuss personnel information pursuant to non-elected personnel exception under KOMA, and the open board meeting will resume in the boardroom at 8:08 p.m. Second by Mike Meyer. Motion carried 7-0. Superintendent Younger was invited into the executive session.
- b) At 8:08 p.m. Jamie Kratzer moved to go into executive session for 10 minutes to discuss personnel information pursuant to non-elected personnel exception under KOMA, and the open board meeting will resume in the boardroom at 8:18 p.m. Second by Ron Smith. Motion carried 7-0. Superintendent Younger was invited into the executive session.
- c) At 8:21 p.m. Mike Meyer moved to go into executive session for 5 minutes to discuss personnel information pursuant to non-elected personnel exception under KOMA, and the open board meeting will resume in the boardroom at 8:26 p.m. Second by Clay Scott. Motion carried 7-0. Superintendent Younger was invited into the executive session.
- d) At 8:29 p.m. Mike Meyer moved to go into executive session for 10 minutes to discuss personnel information pursuant to non-elected personnel exception under KOMA, and the open board meeting will resume in the boardroom at 8:39 p.m. Second by Ron Smith. Motion

carried 7-0. Superintendent Younger was invited into the executive session.

11) **PERSONNEL:**

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12) **NEGOTIATIONS:**

a) At 8:41 p.m. Clay Scott moved to go into executive session for 15 minutes to discuss matters of negotiations pursuant to the exemption for employer-employee negotiations under KOMA, and the meeting will resume in the boardroom at 8:56 p.m. Seconded by Diana Nunez. Superintendent Younger was invited into the session. Motion carried 7-0.

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13) **OTHER:**

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14) **ADJOURNMENT:**

a) At 8:56 p.m. Ron Smith moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Jamie Kratzer. Motion carried 7-0.

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Vice-President Jim Wilson

Board Member Mike Meyer

Board Member Diana Nunez

Board Member Clay Scott

Board Member Ron Smith

Board Member: Jamie Kratzer

Board Clerk Chad Krug

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Recorded by: Chad Krug
*Attachments