

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

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The Board met in **Regular** Session **Monday, March 8, 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:**

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- 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 Ron Smith — motion carried 6-0.
- 3) **CONSENT AGENDA:** Superintendent Younger reviewed the Consent Agenda as attached. Diana Nunez arrived at 7:02 p.m.
  - a) **APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**
    - i) Regular BOE meeting of February 8, 2021
    - ii) Special BOE meeting of February 16, 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 \$153,339.45.
  - c) **HIGH PLAINS EDUCATIONAL COOP (HPEC):** Feb. 18, 2021.
  - d) **ADMINISTRATIVE CONTRACTS:** Extension of administrative contracts for Marcia Raines, Hickok; Nikki Garcia, Sullivan; Karie Gaskill, Sullivan; Stacey Gee, KMS; Kevin Self, KMS; Justin Coffey, UHS.
  - e) **PRINCIPAL REPORTS**

Jamie Kratzer moved to approve the consent agenda — seconded by Diana Nunez — motion carried 7-0.

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

- a) None

5) **REPORTS:**

a) **Correspondence:**

b) **Student/Staff report:** Nick Boe and Amy Wartman discussed the KMS Physical Fitness club where they are averaging about 27 students for their morning sessions for students in grades 6-8. Chase Reitcheck and the NHS officers talked about a proposed trip to Tulsa on March 26-27, 2021 for the purpose of receiving permission to travel out-of-state. It is requested that the district provide the fuel, bus, and driver for the 29 NHS students. Motion to approve the out of state travel, fuel, bus, and driver made by Clay Scott. Seconded by Ron Smith. Motion carried 6-0.

c) **Curriculum & Instruction:** Dr. Krug shared with the board information from the Migrant MPAC meeting on March 4th and thanked the migrant staff: Esperanza Majalca, Rosalinda Arroyo, Iris Rodriguez, and Patty Franco for their role in the parent presentation.

d) **Superintendent's Report:** Superintendent Younger reported the board that an application for 31% of the L.O.B. as a possibility has been submitted in case it is needed for the budget later this year. Mr. Younger reported situations of energy bill spikes due to the polar vortex last month and the district's work to prepare for a large April bill. Mr. Younger applied for a Patterson Family Foundation grant on behalf of the district for funds to use for the Covid relief in the amount of \$15,500. ESSER 3 money must be spent by September 2023. ESSER 1 money will be used to offset the expenses of the nursing staff at the beginning of the year when overtime hours were accrued. Motion to approve the donation of \$15,500 made by Clay Scott. Seconded by Ron Smith. Motion carried 7-0. Mr. Younger provided an update on current and past numbers as well as experiences from the pandemic. Mr. Younger proposed the removal of temperature checks for adults, removal of elementary recess cohorts, and classroom seating assignments but masks are still recommended by CDC and KDHE. Approximately 50% of district staff have been vaccinated and 75% results in herd immunity. Motion to remove adult temperature checks, removal of elementary recess cohorts, and classroom seating assignments made by Jamie Kratzer. Seconded by Diana Nunez. Motion carried 7-0.

6) **NEW BUSINESS:**

a) Math textbook committee – Dr. Krug provided the board an update and recommendation from the math resource committee for LearnZillion for grades 6-12. Motion to approve made by Diana Nunez. Seconded by Clay Scott. Motion carried 7-0.

- b) Therapy Dog policy – Mr. Younger provided the board sample policies from USD 259-Wichita and USD 440-Halstead/Bentley for therapy dogs for review.

7) **OLD BUSINESS:**

- a) K12ict report – The first District Technology Committee meeting was March 3, 2021. The committee toured the schools in the morning to give the members an overall perspective of the scope of responsibilities performed by the technology department. The afternoon was used to review the K12ict report. The next meeting is scheduled for March 31<sup>st</sup> where the committee will begin to review USD 214’s last technology plan.

8) **ACTION ITEMS:**

- a) Calendar (2021/2022) - Mr. Younger presented the board with the recommended calendar for the 2021-2022 school year. The proposed calendar will have 1,150 hours, 34 hours in excess of the required 1,116 hours. Motion to approve the calendar as presented made by Mike Meyer. Seconded by Jamie Kratzer. Motion carried 7-0.
- b) Capital Outlay - Superintendent Younger provided an overview of Capital projects for the board to consider. Motion to approve putting HVAC items and UHS concession roof to bid in addition to the list of other capital outlay items (computers, Sullivan floors, purchase of two new suburbans) made by Jamie Kratzer and Diana Nunez. Motion carried 7-0.
- c) Permission to sell district property - Motion to approve the sale of a technology car, Gator, skid steer, and hustler mower to sell district property made by Jamie Kratzer. Seconded by Diana Nunez. Motion carried 7-0.
- d) Bonus movement – Motion to approve Bonus Movement for the following members made by Ron Smith. Seconded by Mike Meyer. Motion carried 7-0. Jodi Pfingsten, UHS; Bob Buhr, UHS; Candee Amerin, Hickok; Kim Sandoval, KMS; Tammy Barb, Hickok; Tamra Rundell, UHS; Teresa Johnson, UHS
- e) Contracts - Motion to approve the following contracts made by Ron Smith. Seconded by Mike Meyer. Motion carried 7-0. Dani Bedore – elementary teacher; Carol McAtee – elementary teacher; Rick Cue – Driver’s Education; Jill Scott – Driver’s Education; Gene Flax – Driver’s Education; Amanda Tarbett – softball coach
- f) Resignation - Motion to accept the resignation of Chad Krug made by Clay Scott. Seconded by Diana Nunez. Motion carried 7-0.

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

10) **EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

- a) At 8:56 p.m. President Nightengale moved to go into executive session for 20 minutes to discuss personnel information pursuant to non-elected personnel exception under KOMA, and the open board meeting will

resume in the boardroom at 9:16 p.m. Second by Jamie Kratzer. Motion carried 7-0. Superintendent Younger was invited into the executive session. Marcia Raines and Kari Gaskill were invited into executive session at 9:12 p.m.

- b) At 9:18 p.m. President Nightengale moved to go into executive session for 20 minutes to discuss personnel information pursuant to non-elected personnel exception under KOMA, and the open board meeting will resume in the boardroom at 9:38 p.m. Second by Mike Meyer. Motion carried 7-0. Superintendent Younger was invited into the executive session. Marcia Raines left executive session and Nikki Garcia and Kari Gaskill were invited into executive session at 9:25 p.m.
- c) At 9:39 p.m. Ron Smith moved to go into executive session for 20 minutes to discuss personnel information pursuant to non-elected personnel exception under KOMA, and the open board meeting will resume in the boardroom at 9:59 p.m. Second by Mike Meyer. Motion carried 7-0. Superintendent Younger was invited into the executive session. Nikki Garcia and Kari Gaskill left executive session and Stacey Gee and Kevin Self were invited into executive session at 9:53 p.m.
- d) At 10:00 p.m. Ron Smith moved to go into executive session for 20 minutes to discuss personnel information pursuant to non-elected personnel exception under KOMA, and the open board meeting will resume in the boardroom at 10:20 p.m. Second by Mike Meyer. Motion carried 7-0. Superintendent Younger, Stacey Gee and Kevin Self were invited into the executive session. Stacey Gee and Kevin Self left the executive session at 10:19 p.m. Mark Paul and Justin Coffey were invited into executive session at 10:19 p.m.
- e) At 10:20 p.m. Jamie Kratzer moved to go into executive session for 20 minutes to discuss personnel information pursuant to non-elected personnel exception under KOMA, and the open board meeting will resume in the boardroom at 10:40 p.m. Second by Clay Scott. Motion carried 7-0. Superintendent Younger, Mark Paul and Justin Coffey were invited into executive session.
- f) At 10:40 p.m. Diana Nunez moved to go into executive session for 20 minutes to discuss personnel information pursuant to non-elected personnel exception under KOMA, and the open board meeting will resume in the boardroom at 11:00 p.m. Second by Jim Wilson. Motion carried 7-0. Superintendent Younger, Mark Paul and Justin Coffey were invited into executive session.
- g) At 11:02 p.m. Mike Meyer moved to go into executive session for 20 minutes to discuss personnel information pursuant to non-elected personnel exception under KOMA, and the open board meeting will resume in the boardroom at 11:12 p.m. Second by Diana Nunez. Motion carried 7-0. Superintendent Younger, Mark Paul, Justin Coffey, and Gene Flax were invited into executive session.
- h) At 11:14 p.m. Clay Scott moved to go into executive session for 20 minutes to discuss personnel information pursuant to non-elected

personnel exception under KOMA, and the open board meeting will resume in the boardroom at 11:19 p.m. Second by Ron Smith. Motion carried 7-0. Superintendent Younger, Mark Paul, Justin Coffey, and Gene Flax were invited into executive session.

11) **PERSONNEL:**

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12) **NEGOTIATIONS:**

a) At 11:27 p.m. President Nightengale moved to go into executive session for 10 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 11:37 p.m. Seconded by Jamie Kratzer. Superintendent Younger was invited into the session. Motion carried 7-0.

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13) **OTHER:**

a) Motion to approve Dr. Scott Myers, Holcomb, as the hearing officer for an expulsion hearing scheduled for March 10, 2021 made by Ron Smith. Seconded by Jamie Kratzer. Motion carried 7-0.

14) **ADJOURNMENT:**

a) At 11:37 p.m. Ron Smith moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Mike Meyer. Motion carried 7-0.

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Recorded by: Chad Krug

\*Attachments