

**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, May 13, 2019 at 7:00 p.m.**

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

**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 Clay Scott — seconded by Jamie Kratzer — motion carried 6-0.
- 3) **CONSENT AGENDA:** Superintendent Younger reviewed the Consent Agenda as attached.
  - a) **APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** Minutes were approved as presented for the following:
    - (1) Regular Board of Education Meeting of Apr. 8, 2019
  - 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 \$391,139.09.
  - c) **HIGH PLAINS EDUCATIONAL COOP (HPEC):** none

Jamie Kratzer moved to approve the consent agenda with the addition of \$766 from the Kepley Family Fund to Kepley Middle School — seconded by Ron Smith — motion carried 6-0.

- 4) **NON-ACTION ITEMS PUBLIC FORUM:**
- a) Representation from Odyssey of the Mind addressed the Board to ask for an additional \$7,000 to support the trip.
- 5) **REPORTS:**
- a) **Correspondence:** Becky Schlomer thanked the Board for the retirement clock and her 43 years of experience within the school district.
  - b) **Student/Staff report:** – Darrel Manis reported on the UHS art program success this year with 51 students receiving recognition. A slideshow displaying student work was presented. Kylee Schmidt provided the board with a review of art education at Kepley Middle, aspects of student choice, and presented examples of student work. Matthew Kepley introduced 5th grade Sullivan Elementary students who showcased a couple musical performances.
  - c) **Curriculum & Instruction:** Assistant Superintendent Krug mentioned the process for personalizing professional development is underway for next year. Staff have had good questions which some are unknown at this time. Overall Mr. Krug shared he was encouraged by the conversations and opportunity to advance professional learning in a professional manner. On April 29, Maria Ortiz-Smith provided UHS and KMS staff with a simulation activity and accompanying strategies to use with ELL students. Feedback was positive. Mr. Krug reported a number of staff have applied to work on curriculum mapping this summer.
  - d) **Superintendent’s Report:** Superintendent Younger shared 294 free physicals were completed for free with our arrangements with Bob Wilson Hospital. The final steps of our digital medical (eMD) contract are underway following legal review. The district is positioned for an August kickoff of the eMD program. is advancing following contract language. Tuesday, May 28th, 2:00 at the Civic Center will be a community planning meeting for Ulysses. High School graduation will be Sunday at 2:00 in the high school gymnasium. Eighth grade promotion Monday, May 20th at 7:00. UCLC graduation will be Tuesday, May 21st at 6:30. Mr. Younger shared pictures from around the district. Preliminary results from the Kansas Communities That Care survey were shared with the board. Congratulations to Mr. Meitler who was selected as the KAESP Area VI Principal of the year.
- 6) **NEW BUSINESS:**
- a) BOE vacancy – The board had a discussion regarding the vacant board seat. The board plans to revisit the vacancy in June following the filing deadline of June 3rd.
- 7) **OLD BUSINESS:**
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- 8) **ACTION ITEMS:**

- a) School handbooks – Motion to approve school handbooks made by Ron Smith, seconded by Jamie Kratzer. Motion passes 6-0.
- b) Opa! contract – Motion to approve school food service contract for 2019/2020 made by Clay Scott, seconded by Jim Wilson. Motion passes 6-0.
- c) Technology requests – Motion to purchase 89 computers in the amount \$79,568 from Two Trees Technology made by Ron Smith, seconded by Jamie Kratzer. Motion passes 6-0.
- d) Permission to sell excess equipment – Motion to sell or discard of excess equipment made by Jamie Kratzer, seconded by Ron Smith. Motion passes 6-0.
- e) Capital Outlay expenses – Mr. Younger provided an update of capital outlay expenses.

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

10) **EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

- a) At 8:20 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 8:30 p.m. Second by Jamie Kratzer. Superintendent Younger and Assistant Superintendent Krug were invited into the session. Motion passes 6-0.

11) **PERSONNEL:**

- a) Motion to approve new contracts for Justin Coffey, UHS assistant principal; Josh Arnett, elementary teacher; Jeffrie (JT) Meceilles, elementary PE; Cory Bixler, UHS science; William Cooper, UHS science; Michelle Cox, elementary teacher made by Clay Scott, seconded by Jamie Kratzer. Motion passed 6-0.
- a) Clay Scott moved to accept the resignation of Sally Catlett, Hickok ESOL. Seconded by Jamie Kratzer. Motion passed 6-0.

12) **NEGOTIATIONS:**

- a) At 8:32 p.m. President Nightengale moved to go into executive session for 10 minutes following a 5 minute break to discuss matters of negotiations pursuant to the exemption for employer-employee negotiations under KOMA, and the meeting will resume in the boardroom at 8:47 p.m. Seconded by Clay Scott. Superintendent Younger and assistant superintendent Krug were invited into the session. Motion passes 6-0.

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13) **OTHER:**

14) **ADJOURNMENT:**

- a) At 8:48 p.m. Mike Meyer moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Jamie Kratzer. Motion passes 6-0.

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Vice-President Jim Wilson

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Board Member Mike Meyer

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Board Member: Jamie Kratzer

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Board Clerk Chad Krug

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Recorded by: Chad Krug  
\*Attachments