

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

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The Board met in **Regular** Session on **Monday, July 8, 2024, at 6:00 p.m.**

**Members Present:** Ron Smith  
Diana Nunez  
Chad McCormick  
Mike Meyer  
Kasey Krueger  
Daron Cowan  
Nichole Winner

**Members Absent:**

**Others Present:** Superintendent Corey Burton & Assistant  
Superintendent Kevin Warner  
\* Others - See List

**Others Absent:** Board Cleark Dawn Oakes

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1. **CALL TO ORDER:** President Ron Smith called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.
  2. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**
  3. **ADOPTION OF AGENDA:** Kasey Krueger motioned to adopt the agenda. - Second by Diana Nunez- motion carried 7-0.
  4. **NON-ACTION PUBLIC FORUM:** None
  5. **CORRESPONDENCE:** Superintendent Corey Burton handed BOE members a letter from KASB.
  6. **CONSENT AGENDA:** Kasey Krueger motioned to approve the consent agenda as presented - Second by Diana Nunez - motion carried 7-0.
    - a. **Approval of Minutes:**
      - i. Regular Board of Education meeting - June 10, 2024
      - ii. Special Board of Education meeting - June 24, 2024
    - b. **Approval of Bills:**
      - i. Approved the transfer from the General Fund on an "as needed basis" to cover expenses attributed to the Food Service, Transportation, Vocational Education, and Bilingual Special Funds and to pay bills for **\$1,665,475.97**.
    - c. **High Plains Education Cooperative Board Min (HPEC):** June 20, 2024

- d. **Designations:** *Please see attached*
  - i. Official District Newspaper: The Ulysses News
  - ii. Designation of Official Depository
    - a. Grant County Bank for all standing accounts
    - b. Investments of Proceeds are to be determined by a straight bid process between:
      - 1. Grant County Bank
      - 2. Bank of Ulysses
      - 3. Dream First
  - iii. Federal Program Representative: Corey Burton, Superintendent
  - iv. District A.H.E.R.A. (Asbestos) Coordinator: Andrew Cole, Director of Facilities
  - v. District KPERS Representative: Stacy Figgins, Business Manager
  - vi. District Attendance Officer according to K.S.A. 72-1113: Building Principals
  - vii. Compliance Coordinator for Federal Anti-Discrimination Law including Title VI, Title VII, Title IX, ADA, and Section 504: Corey Burton Superintendent
- e. **Appointments:** *Please see attached*
  - i. Board Clerk:
    - a. Dawn Oakes
    - b. Alternate: Kevin Warner
  - ii. Treasurer: Stacy Figgins, Business Manager
  - iii. Board Attorney: Paul Kitzke, Hugoton
  - iv. Auditor: Dirks, Anthony and Duncan, LLC
  - v. Board Representative & Two Alternates to High Plains Educational Cooperative:
    - a. Board Representative: Diana Nunez
    - b. Alternate #1: Daron Cowan
    - c. Alternate #2: Ron Smith
  - vi. District Benefits Committee
    - a. Board Representative: Daron Cowan
    - b. Administrator: Corey Burton, Superintendent
    - c. Teacher (GCTA Member): Kim Sandoval
    - d. Teacher (non GCTA - jointly appointed by GCTA & BOE): Jennifer Burns
    - e. Non-Certified: Stacy Figgins
  - vii. Food Service Representative: Shandra Meile, Director of Child Nutrition
  - viii. Hearing Officer for Free & Reduced Meal Application Appeals: Corey Burton, Superintendent
  - ix. Freedom of Information Officer: Corey Burton, Superintendent
  - x. KASB Governmental Relations Network (GRN) Designee: Mike Meyer
  - xi. KASB Delegate Designee: Mike Meyer
- f. **Adoptions:** *\*Please see attached\**
  - i. Adopt a 1,116-hour calendar for the 2024-2025 school year.

- ii. Adopt Board of Education Meeting dates, times, and places for Regular Board Meetings for 2024-2025 School year.
- iii. Approve participation in the USDA School Nutrition Program for the 2024-2025 school year.
- iv. Permission to destroy records before the 2018-2019 school year.
- v. Adopt Annual Waiver of requirements for Generally Accepted Accounting Procedures (GAAP) for FY 2024.
- vi. Request from GCTA for 15 days of GCTA Business Leave.
- vii. Establish mileage reimbursement rate for 2024-2025 (The state mileage rate is 67 cents per mile).
- viii. Establish School breakfast, lunch, and extra milk prices for 2024-2025
  - Grades preK-5: \$2.35/3.05 per meal
  - Grades 6-8: \$2.45/3.25 per meal
  - Grades 9-12: \$2.45/3.30 per meal
  - USD 214 Staff: \$2.95/4.30 per meal
  - Visitors: \$2.95/4.30 per meal
- ix. Establish Student fees for 2024-2025
- x. Unencumbered cash balances (attached)

7. **REPORTS:**

- a. **Docking Survey Information:** Brett Zollinger from the FHSU Docking Institute of Public Affairs presented the BOE with a comprehensive community bond survey.
- b. **Assistant Superintendent Report:** Kevin Warner verbally reported new programs being implemented across the district for the 2024-2025 school year.
- c. **Superintendent Report:** Superintendent Corey Burton gave a verbal report to the BOE about Summer 2025 projects, storage shed disposal, the budget process, mill rates, and RNR deadlines, as well as a resolution to establish elections of school board officers.

1. **Resolution to Establish Election of School Board Officers:**

Daron Cown motioned to approve the resolution to establish the election of School Board Officers to the first meeting on or after the second Monday in January, which is January 13, 2025.  
Second by Diana Nunez - Motion carried 7-0.

8. **NEW BUSINESS:**

- a. **None**

9. **OLD BUSINESS:**

- a. **None**

10. **Action Items:**

- a. **Transportation Handbook:** Mike Meyer motioned to accept the updated transportation handbook with corrections. Second by Chad McCormick - motion carried 7-0.

- b. **Fundraising Guidelines:** Daron Cowan motioned to approve the district's fundraising guidelines as presented. Chad McCormick seconded. The motion carried 7-0.
- c. **Grant County Recreation Commission Board Member Recommendation:** Diana Nunez motioned to appoint Daron Cowan to the GCRC Board.- Second by Nichole Winner - motion carried 6-0. Daron Cowan abstained.
- d. **2024-2025 School Calendar Revision:** Kasey Krueger motioned to approve the revised 2024-2025 district calendar.- Second by Mike Meyer - motion carried 7-0.
- e. **Class of 2028 Graduation Requirements:** Daron Cowan motioned to approve the updated graduation requirements for the class of 2028.- Second by Diana Nunez- motion carried 7-0.
- f. **Board Policy Changes (2<sup>nd</sup> Reading):** Daron Cowan motioned to approve the BOE policy changes as recommended by KASB.- Second by Chad McCormick- motion carried 7-0.
- g. **USD 214 Vision/Mission/Strategic Plan:** Kasey Krueger motioned to approve the USD 214 School District Vision, Mission, and Strategic Plan as presented.- Second by Mike Meyer- motion carried 7-0.
- h. **Active Panels & Mobile Stands:** Diana Nunez motioned to accept the low bid offer for ten active panels and mobile stands from MNJ Technologies for \$30,763.00.- Second by Mike Meyer- motion carried 7-0.
- i. **Donations:** Diana Nunez motioned to accept the donations from LHeat for the KMS Kid Wind program for \$2,000, LHeat for UHS lunch balance support for \$500, LHeat for KMS lunch balance support for \$500, LHeat for Sullivan lunch balance support for \$500, and Kansas Beef Council for the UHS FACS Department for \$171.04. - Second by Nichole Winner - motion carried 7-0.

11. **EXECUTIVE SESSION:** None

12. **PERSONNEL:**

- a. **Resignations:** Chad McCormick motioned to accept the resignation of Grecia Smith (KMS Assistant Volleyball Coach) and Cinda Wolf (Sullivan Paraprofessional) - Second by Diana Nunez- Motion carried 7-0.
- b. **Contracts:** Diana Nunez motioned to accept the contracts of Stephanie Barrios (Asst. Cross-Country), Meaghan Noriega (KMS At-Risk/ISS Para), Zane Anderson (Ground & Maintenance), Brittney Seger (UHS Asst. Volleyball Coach) - Second by Nichole Winner - motion carried 7-0.

13. **NEGOTIATIONS:**

14. **OTHER:**

15. **ADJOURNMENT:**

- a. At 7:43 p.m., Diana Nunez motioned to adjourn. Kasey Krueger seconded the motion, which carried 7-0.

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President Ron Smith

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Vice-President Diana Nunez

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Board Member Chad McCormick

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Board Member Daron Cowan

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Board Member Mike Meyer

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Board Member Nichole Winner

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Board Member Kasey Krueger

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Alt. Board Clerk Kevin Warner

Board Clerk: Dawn Oakes  
Recorded by: Kevin Warner  
\*Attachments