

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

The Board met in **Regular** Session on **Monday, March 10, at 6:00 p.m.**

Members Present: President Diana Nunez
Vice-President Daron Cowan
Mike Meyer
Nichole Winner
Chad McCormick
Stacey Gee

Members Absent: Kasey Krueger

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

Others Absent: Board Clerk Dawn Oakes

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1. **CALL TO ORDER:** President Diana Nunez called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.
 2. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:**
 3. **ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA:** Nichole Winner motioned to adopt the agenda with the changes, additions to the public forum, contract approvals, and the removal of 12d. - Second by Mike Meyer - motion carried 6-0.
 4. **NON-ACTION PUBLIC FORUM:**
 - a. Mr. Bob Buhr wanted to thank the BOE for nominating the Kansas Teacher of the Year and inviting them to the Kansas Teacher of Year Banquet on April 12, 2025.
 - b. Mr. Travis McAtee introduced the new football coach, Mr. Mitch Foote.
 5. **CORRESPONDENCE:** None
 6. **CONSENT AGENDA:** Nichole Winner motioned to approve the consent agenda as presented - Second by Mike Meyer- motion carried 6-0.
 - a. **Approval of Minutes:**
 - i. Regular Board of Education meeting - February 10, 2025
 - ii. Special Board of Education meeting - February 11, 2025
 - iii. Special Board of Education meeting - February 12, 2025
 - iv. Special Board of Education meeting - February 13, 2025
 - 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 **\$334,664.38**.
 - c. **High Plains Education Cooperative Board Minutes (HPEC):** February 20, 2025.
- 7. **REPORTS:**
 - a. **Student and Staff Reports:** KMS and UHS Social Studies presented recommendations for a new Social Studies Curriculum Resource for grades 6th through 12th.
 - b. **Principal Reports:** The building principals submitted written reports to the BOE. Principals provided a brief oral report and answered questions from the BOE.
 - c. **Assistant Superintendent Report:** Kevin Warner submitted a written report to the BOE. Mr. Warner provided a brief oral report on the District's Curriculum Work, State Assessments, KESA, and Professional Development.
 - d. **Superintendent Report:** Superintendent Corey Burton verbally reported to the BOE about upcoming district activities and projects.
- 8. **NEW BUSINESS:**
 - a. **USD 214 EMBARC Curriculum-** Mr. Warner presented the BOE as the first read for the district curriculum on the EMBARC platform.
- 9. **OLD BUSINESS:**
 - a. **TBA.**
- 10. **ACTIONS ITEMS:**
 - a. **USD 214 2025-2026 School Calendar:** Chad McCormick motioned to approve the USD 214 2025-2026 School Calendar as presented. - Second by Daron Cowan - motion carried 6-0.
 - b. **Chromebook/iPad Policy:** Mike Meyer motioned to approve the 2025-2026 Chromebook/iPad Policy as presented. - Second by Chad McCormick - motion carried 6-0.
 - c. **UHS Locker Room Windows Project:** Chad McMorick motioned to approve the bid from Winner Construction to install two between the UHS football coach's office and the main locker room for \$5,470.00 - Second by Daron Cown - motion carried 5-0. Nichole Winner abstained from voting.
 - d. **JAG-K Partnership Agreement:** Stacey Gee motioned to approve the partnership agreement between JAG-K and USD 214 for programs at KMS and UHS for \$29,685.00. - Second by Nicole Winner - motion carried 6-0.
 - e. **Disposal of Surplus Equipment:** Stacey Gee motioned to approve the disposal or sale of surplus projectors. - Second by Mike Meyer - motioned carries 6-0.

11. **EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

- a. At 6:52 p.m., Daron Cowan made a motion to go into an executive session for 10 minutes to discuss personnel matters of non-elected personnel to protect the privacy interests of the individual(s) to be discussed pursuant to the exemption for personnel matters under KOMA. The open board meeting will resume in the boardroom at 7:02 p.m. - Second by Mike Meyer- motion carried 6-0. Superintendent Corey Burton and Assistant Superintendent Kevin Warner were invited into the executive session. The Board of Education returned to regular session at 7:02 p.m.

12. **PERSONNEL:**

- a. **Resignations:** Chad McCormick motioned to accept the resignation of Freddy Romero (KMS Asst. Football Coach), Rachel Harmon (UHS FACS Teacher, Photo Imaging Teacher, Yearbook Advisor, FCCLA Advisor, Debate Coach), Marcale Marshall (KMS Teacher & Coach), and Audrey Marshall (KMS Teacher & Coach). - Second by Nichole Winner - motion carried 6-0.
- b. **Contracts:** Daron Cowan motioned to accept the contracts of Eduardo Padilla (UHS Asst. Baseball), Elizabeth Martwich (Hickok Elementary Teacher), Renna Maria Chavez (Hickok Elementary Teacher), Math Albers (KMS ELA Teacher), Kim Brom (UHS Business Teacher), Lizet Heredia (Substitute School Nurse), and Kaede Edmondson (UHS ELL Para). - Second by Chad McCormick - motion carried 6-0.
- c. **Contract Extensions:** Stacey Gee motion to approve the administration contracts extensions through 2026-2027 for Kevin Warner (Asst. Superintendent), Justin Coffey (UHS Principal), Chase Rietcheck (UHS Asst. Principal), Travis McAtee (UHS Activities Director), Amy Wartman (KMS Principal), Kevin Sefl (KMS Asst. Principal & AD), Karie Gaskill (Sullivan Principal), Carol McAtee (Sullivan Asst. Principal), and Marcia Raines (Hickok Principal). - Second by Mike Meyer- motion carried 6-0.

15. **NEGOTIATIONS:** None

16. **OTHER:** None

17. **ADJOURNMENT:**

- a. At 7:07 p.m., Chad McCormick motioned to adjourn. - Second by Mike Meyer - motion carried 6-0.

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President Diana Nunez

Vice-President Daron Cowan

Board Member Chad McCormick

Board Member Stacey Gee

Board Member Mike Meyer

Board Member Nichole Winner

ABSENT

Board Member Kasey Krueger

Alt. Board Clerk Kevin Warner

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