

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

The Board met in **Regular** Session **Monday, September 14, 2020 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 August 10, 2020
 - ii) Special BOE meeting of August 18, 2020
 - iii) Special BOE meeting of August 25, 2020
 - 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 \$408,708.46.
 - c) **HIGH PLAINS EDUCATIONAL COOP (HPEC):** Minutes

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

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

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- 5) **CORRESPONDENCE:**
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- 6) **REPORTS:**
 - a) **Correspondence:**
 - b) **Curriculum & Instruction:** Assistant Superintendent Krug shared with the board state assessment timelines which reflect later testing dates than previous years. Mr. Krug also shared with the board that more than 1/3 of the KIDS training this year had to do with remote learning. Mr. Krug reported that remote learning and working with students placed on quarantine remains areas of challenge, particularly when students are without devices. Two versions of voice amplification systems that have been ordered for teachers were shared with the board. Mr. Krug explained that lunch applications are due by Monday, September 21st. Yet, meals are also to be free for all children ages 1-18 until funds run out or Dec. 31, 2020. Lastly, Mr. Krug shared that math textbook adoption is slated for 6-12 math this year in addition to ELA for K-5.
 - c) **Superintendent's Report:** Superintendent Younger enrollment is down around 21 students from last year. Mr. Younger referred the board to a letter that was drafted on behalf of the district on Friday with regards to the mask mandate across all district properties.
- 7) **NEW BUSINESS:**
 - a) COVID-19 presentation – Forrest Saxon presented to the board without a mask regarding his position and opinions surrounding the consequences of students wearing masks.
- 8) **OLD BUSINESS:**
 - a) District property – Bob Dale spoke to the board about the possible sale of district property to a developer that could create a mutually beneficial rental agreement for teachers and other community members.
 - b) Navigating Change: USD 214 – Ulysses Reopening Ulysses! 2.3. Mr. Younger spoke with the board about how Remote learning is not considered a long-term option for the district.
- 9) **ACTION ITEMS:**
 - a)
- 10) **REVIEW LITIGATION WITH LEGAL COUNSEL:** None
- 11) **EXECUTIVE SESSION:**
 - a) At 8:18 p.m. Jim Wilson 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 8:28 p.m. Second by Jamie Kratzer. Motion carried 7-0.

12) **PERSONNEL:**

a) Motion to extend a 3.096% raise for directors, administrators, and classified staff made by President Nightengale. Seconded by Diana Nunez. Motion carried 7-0.

13) **NEGOTIATIONS:**

a) At 8:30 p.m. President Nightengale 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 8:45 p.m. Seconded by Ron Smith. Superintendent Younger and assistant superintendent Krug were invited into the session. Motion carried 7-0.

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14) **OTHER:**

15) **ADJOURNMENT:**

a) At 8:47 p.m. Ron Smith moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Mike Meyer. Motion carried 7-0.

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President Margaret Nightengale

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