

Laura Neel
Ross Gregg
Gene Knouse
Nicholas Kramer
Matt Harak

Regular School Board Meeting Minutes
Covington-Douglas School
University Center/Board Room
400 E Maine, Covington, OK 73730
December 2, 2025

I. 6:00 pm

President Laura Neel called the Regular Meeting of the Covington-Douglas Board of Education to order. The notation of the compliance with the open meeting law was made.

II. Answering roll call was Laura Neel, Ross Gregg, Gene Knouse, Nicholas Kramer, and Matt Harak. Also present was Superintendent Darren Sharp.

III. Superintendent Darren Sharp reported on Financial and Legislative Updates, Board Seat Election, School Letter Grades, Accreditation, and Assessor Evaluations.

IV. Knouse made a motion, seconded by Kramer, to approve the consent agenda as presented with typo correction to the November 4, 2025 minutes:

- A. Approval of the November 4, 2025 Regular Board Meeting Minutes
- B. Approval of General Fund encumbrances and change orders #207-212 in the amount of \$10,964.00
- C. Review the Investments and Expenditures of School District Funds
- D. Review of the school calendar
- E. Approval of Activity Funds

Motion passed 5-0, Neel-yes, Gregg-yes, Knouse-yes, Kramer-yes, Harak-yes

V. Business Items:

- A. Gregg made a motion, seconded by Harak, to employ the Center for Education Law as the school attorneys for the 2025-2026 school year.

Motion passed 5-0, Neel-yes, Gregg-yes, Knouse-yes, Kramer-yes, Harak-yes

- B. No Public Comment concerning Parental Involvement activities and plan.
- C. Gregg made a motion, seconded by Kramer, to transfer \$250.00 from Activity Fund sub-account 0002 Athletics to Activity Fund sub-account 0009 Cheer.

Motion passed 5-0, Neel-yes, Gregg-yes, Knouse-yes, Kramer-yes, Harak-yes

- D. Kramer made a motion, seconded by Harak, to transfer \$295.00 from Activity Fund sub-account 0003 FFA to Activity Fund sub-account 0002 Athletics.

Motion passed 5-0, Neel-yes, Gregg-yes, Knouse-yes, Kramer-yes, Harak-yes

- E. No Action Taken on creation of sub account 0007 Class of 2031
- F. Gregg made a motion, seconded by Knouse, to approve the Uses of Activity Funds as presented.

Motion passed 5-0, Neel-yes, Gregg-yes, Knouse-yes, Kramer-yes, Harak-yes

- G. Kramer made a motion, seconded by Harak, to approve the selling of Skordle ads and highway sign ads as 8th grade fundraisers.

Motion passed 5-0, Neel-yes, Gregg-yes, Knouse-yes, Kramer-yes, Harak-yes

H. Gregg made a motion, seconded by Kramer, to approve the hiring of Kellogg & Sovereign Consulting as E-Rate consultants.

Motion passed 5-0, Neel-yes, Gregg-yes, Knouse-yes, Kramer-yes, Harak-yes

I. Gregg made a motion, seconded by Knouse, to allow the placement of a plaque commemorating the World War II veteran who gave his life for our country and our football field is named after with the stipulation of design approval by the Board.

Motion passed 5-0, Neel-yes, Gregg-yes, Knouse-yes, Kramer-yes, Harak-yes

J. Kramer made a motion, seconded by Knouse, to approve the signage labeling the campus buildings and the blue interlocking lighted sign on football field press box.

Motion passed 5-0, Neel-yes, Gregg-yes, Knouse-yes, Kramer-yes, Harak-yes

K. 7:07 pm

Gregg made a motion, seconded by Knouse, to convene into executive session pursuant to 25 O.S. Section 307 (B)(1) for the following specific purposes:

- 1. Discussion Superintendent’s Evaluation

Motion passed 5-0, Neel-yes, Gregg-yes, Knouse-yes, Kramer-yes, Harak-yes

K. 7:39 pm

President Laura Neel acknowledged returning to open session and gave a summary of the executive session. No votes were taken. Coming out of the executive session were Neel, Gregg, Knouse, Kramer and Harak.

L. Knouse made a motion, seconded by Gregg, to approve the Superintendent’s evaluation.

Motion passed 5-0, Neel-yes, Gregg-yes, Knouse-yes, Kramer-yes, Harak-yes

VI. No New Business

VII. 7:39 pm

Neel made a motion, seconded by Knouse, to adjourn the meeting.

Motion passed 5-0, Neel-yes, Gregg-yes, Knouse-yes, Kramer-yes, Harak-yes

President

Vice-President

Board Clerk

Board Minutes Clerk