

Laura Neel  
Ross Gregg  
Gene Knouse  
Paula Harak  
Nicholas Kramer

Regular School Board Meeting Minutes  
Covington-Douglas School  
University Center/Board Room  
400 E Maine, Covington, OK 73730  
March 5, 2024

- I. 6:00 pm  
President Laura Neel called the Regular Meeting of the Covington-Douglas Board of Education to order. The notation of compliance with the open meeting law was made.
- II. Answering roll call was Laura Neel, Ross Gregg, Gene Knouse, Paula Harak, and Nicholas Kramer. Also present was Superintendent Darren Sharp and Brian Smith..
- III. Superintendent Darren Sharp commented on legislative updates, construction updates, financial updates, and wind farm projects.
- IV. Gregg made a motion, seconded by Knouse, to approve the consent agenda as presented:
  - A. Approval of the February 6, 2024 Regular Board Meeting Minutes.
  - B. Approval of General Fund encumbrances and change orders #270-281 in the amount of \$71,776.60, #70004-70006 in the amount of \$126,731.95, #70017-70018 in the amount of \$174,326.23, and #70023 in the amount of \$72,220.22.
  - C. Approval of the Building Fund 21 encumbrances and change orders #23-24 in the amount of \$10,900.00.
  - D. Approval of the Building Bond Fund 34 encumbrances and change orders #2-3 in the amount of \$233,171.50.
  - E. Approval of the Building Bond Fund 36 encumbrances and change order #12 in the amount of \$24,679.24.
  - F. Review the Investments and Expenditures of School District Funds.
  - G. Review of the school calendar
  - H. Approval of Activity Funds

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

- V. Business Items:
  - A. Gregg made a motion, seconded by Kramer, to approve the payment \$30 per session outside of regular school hours for working the hospitality suite during the regional basketball tournament to Tiffany Smith and Terry Kaiser.

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

B. Knouse made a motion, seconded by Harak, to hire S&B CPA's and Associates as the district's auditor for the 2024-25 school year.

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

C. Knouse made a motion, seconded by Harak to table the item until a later date.

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

D. Knouse made a motion, seconded by Gregg, to remove and replace trees by the football field, seeking professional opinion as to what type to plant in the future.

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

E. Knouse made a motion, seconded by Harak, to approve the following items as surplus:

- a. Football Ticket Booth
- b. Salad bar
- c. Tilt Skillet
- d. Wagon wheel fencing in front of the Patrick House

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

F. 6:59 pm

Harak made a motion, seconded by Knouse, to convene into executive session pursuant to 25 O.S. Section 307 (B)(1) and (B)(3) for the following specific purposes:

- a. Resignation of Kenny Daugherty
- b. Employment and contract of a certified teacher
- c. purchase of real property

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

G. 7:21 pm

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

H. Gregg made a motion, seconded by Harak, to accept the resignation of Kenny Daugherty effective upon completion of check out after May 17, 2024.

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

I. Knouse made a motion, seconded by Harak, to table the item for a future date.

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

J. Knouse made a motion, seconded by Kramer, to allow the Superintendent to pursue the purchase of real property in Covington.

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

VI.    No New Business

VII.   7:22 pm

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

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

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