

Laura Neel  
Ross Gregg  
Gene Knouse(absent)  
Paula Harak  
Nicholas Kramer

Regular School Board Meeting Minutes  
Covington-Douglas School  
University Center/Board Room  
400 E Maine, Covington, OK 73730  
August 1, 2023

- 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. Answering roll call was Laura Neel, Ross Gregg, Paula Harak and Nicholas Kramer. Gene Knouse was absent. Also present was Superintendent Darren Sharp and Brian Smith.
- II. Superintendent Darren Sharp reported on facility improvements/construction update, Legislative and financial updates, and the upcoming OSSBA conference.
- III. Gregg made a motion, seconded by Harak, to approve the consent agenda as presented:
  - A. Approval of the July 6, 2023 Regular School Board Meeting Minutes.
  - B. Approval of General Fund encumbrances and change orders #149-173 in the amount of \$71,364.40 and #70016-70018 in the amount of \$233,320.40.
  - C. Approval of the Building Fund encumbrances and change orders #1-2 in the amount of \$88,600.00.
  - D. Approval of the Building Bond Fund 34 encumbrances and change orders #1-2 in the amount of \$205,055.99.
  - E. Review the Investments and Expenditures of School District Funds
  - F. Approval of Activity Funds
  - G. Review of School Calendar

Motion Passed 4-0, Neel-yes, Gregg-yes, Harak-yes, Kramer-yes

IV. Business Items:

- A. Gregg made a motion, seconded by Kramer, to adopt Policy GI Advertising on School Property, with the change to the language to allow Superintendent pre-approval for statements or tag lines.

Motion Passed 4-0, Neel-yes, Gregg-yes, Harak-yes, Kramer-yes

- B. Harak made a motion, seconded by Gregg, to adopt Policy FO-R5 Restraints and Seclusion.

Motion Passed 4-0, Neel-yes, Gregg-yes, Harak-yes, Kramer-yes

- C. Harak made a motion, seconded by Kramer, to adopt Policy DEC-R7 Maternity Leave.

Motion Passed 4-0, Neel-yes, Gregg-yes, Harak-yes, Kramer-yes

D. Gregg made a motion, seconded by Kramer, to adopt policy FFACDA Administration of Emergency Opioid Antagonist.

Motion Passed 4-0, Neel-yes, Gregg-yes, Harak-yes, Kramer-yes

E. Gregg made a motion, seconded by Harak, to set the cost to students for reduced price meals at \$0.00.

Motion Passed 4-0, Neel-yes, Gregg-yes, Harak-yes, Kramer-yes

F. Kramer made a motion, seconded by Gregg, to approve the School Year 2024 fundraisers.

Motion Passed 4-0, Neel-yes, Gregg-yes, Harak-yes, Kramer-yes

G. Harak made a motion, seconded by Kramer, to approve the increase in the extra duty pay for HS band from \$2,000.00 to \$3,000.00.

Motion Passed 4-0, Neel-yes, Gregg-yes, Harak-yes, Kramer-yes

H. Gregg made a motion, seconded by Harak, to approve the 2023-24 Student Handbook with changes as indicated by Mr. Smith.

Motion Passed 4-0, Neel-yes, Gregg-yes, Harak-yes, Kramer-yes

I. Harak made a motion, seconded by Gregg, to approve the Covid-19 Protocols, School Re-Entry plan, and Covid-19 related items.

Motion Passed 4-0, Neel-yes, Gregg-yes, Harak-yes, Kramer-yes

J. Gregg made a motion, seconded by Kramer, to approve the rate of pay for driving a Suburban bus route at \$15.00 per trip for a maximum of \$30.00 per day per driver.

Motion Passed 4-0, Neel-yes, Gregg-yes, Harak-yes, Kramer-yes

K. Gregg made a motion, seconded by Harak, to declare Ryan Donaldson as highly qualified to teach 7th and 8th grade science as an adjunct instructor.

Motion Passed 4-0, Neel-yes, Gregg-yes, Harak-yes, Kramer-yes

L. Gregg made a motion, seconded by Kramer, to declare Kenny Daugherty as highly qualified to teach 7th and 8th grade science and 7th grade social studies as an adjunct instructor.

Motion Passed 4-0, Neel-yes, Gregg-yes, Harak-yes, Kramer-yes

M. Gregg made a motion, seconded by Harak, to declare Nash Poulter as highly qualified to teach elementary music, elementary instrumental music, and high school instrumental music as an adjunct instructor.

Motion Passed 4-0, Neel-yes, Gregg-yes, Harak-yes, Kramer-yes

N. Kramer made a motion, seconded by Harak, to declare Sharla Sharp as highly qualified to teach Psychology.

Motion Passed 4-0, Neel-yes, Gregg-yes, Harak-yes, Kramer-yes

O. Harak made a motion, seconded by Gregg, to declare Darren Sharp as Highly qualified to teach earth science.

Motion Passed 4-0, Neel-yes, Gregg-yes, Harak-yes, Kramer-yes

P. Harak made a motion, seconded by Gregg, to not approve the sharing of a Superintendent with Erick Public Schools.

Motion Passed 4-0, Neel-yes, Gregg-yes, Harak-yes, Kramer-yes

Q. 6:54 pm

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

1. Hiring and contract of a paraprofessional to initially be assigned to a special education classroom pending a background check.
2. Hiring and contract of a paraprofessional to initially be assigned to a one on one special education aide position pending a background check,
3. Hiring and contract of a part time bus driver
4. Contract of Superintendent Darren Sharp

Motion Passed 4-0, Neel-yes, Gregg-yes, Harak-yes, Kramer-yes

R. 7:06 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, Harak, Kramer, Darren Sharp and Brian Smith.

S. Gregg made a motion, seconded by Kramer, to employ Brandy Warriner to a special education paraprofessional position for the 2023-24 School year.

Motion Passed 4-0, Neel-yes, Gregg-yes, Harak-yes, Kramer-yes

T. Gregg made a motion, seconded by Harak, to employ Bertie Baldwin to a one on one special education paraprofessional position for the 2023-24 School year.

Motion Passed 4-0, Neel-yes, Gregg-yes, Harak-yes, Kramer-yes

U. Kramer made a motion, seconded by Gregg, to hire Mike Schram to a part time bus driver position for the 2023-24 School year.

Motion Passed 4-0, Neel-yes, Gregg-yes, Harak-yes, Kramer-yes

V. No action taken.

V. New Business

1. Gregg made a motion, seconded by Kramer, to accept the resignation of Jessi Beebe effective immediately and the resignation of Benny McReynolds effective immediately, paying Benny McReynolds through August 31, 2023.

Motion Passed 4-0, Neel-yes, Gregg-yes, Harak-yes, Kramer-yes

VI. 7:41 pm

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

Motion Passed 4-0, Neel-yes, Gregg-yes, Harak-yes, Kramer-yes

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