

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
BOARD OF EDUCATION
UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT
Tulsa, Oklahoma
March 10, 2025**

The Union Board of Education met in regular session on Monday, March 10, 2025, at 7:00 p.m. in the Board Room of the Union Education Service Center pursuant to written notice given to the County Clerk of Tulsa County by the fifteenth day of December 2024 as required by Title 25, Oklahoma Statutes, 301-314. The time, place and agenda of this meeting were posted in prominent public view at the location of this meeting at least 24 hours in advance excluding Saturdays, Sundays, and holidays.

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Stacey Roerman, president.

FLAG SALUTE

The flag salute was led by Stacey Roerman, president.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Ms. Stacey Roerman, Ms. Heather McAdams, Mr. Steve Nguyen, Mr. Joey Reyes, Dr. Chris McNeil

MEMBERS ABSENT

None

OTHERS PRESENT

Superintendent Dr. John Federline, Chief Financial Officer Dr. Trish Williams, Associate Superintendent Charlie Bushyhead, Associate Superintendent Sandi Calvin, Chief Communications Officer Chris Payne, Executive Director of Human Resources Jay Loegering, Senior Executive Director of Research-Design-Assessment Todd Nelson, Executive Director of Secondary Education Dr. Kenneth Moore, Executive Director of Elementary Education Theresa Kiger, Executive Director of Instructional Technology Gert Morris, Director of Safety & Security Ty Wardlow, Executive Director of Special Services, Dr. Lindsay Smith, and others.

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

Dr. McNeil moved the Board approve the agenda as posted. Mr. Reyes seconded the motion.

Vote: Joey Reyes – aye, Stacey Roerman – aye, Heather McAdams – aye, Steve Nguyen, – aye- Chris McNeil – aye.

All voted aye – motion carried.

The agenda was adopted as posted.

CONSENT AGENDA

Mr. Reyes moved for approval of items on the consent agenda as follows:

- Minutes of the February 10, 2025 regular board meeting;
- Out of State travel requests for the following:
 - Varsity Volleyball to Orlando, FL – Aug. 27 – Sept. 1, 2025;

- Varsity Highsteppers to Kilgore, TX – Apr. 10-11, 2025;
- Memorandum of Agreement with the Department of the Air Force for the JROTC Program and authorize the Superintendent or designee to execute the agreement;
- Amendment to the Service Agreement with Community Action Project of Tulsa County, Inc. ("CAP Tulsa") for Career*Advance* English as a Second Language (ESL) Pathway classes for Adult Basic Education and authorize the Board President, Superintendent or designee to execute the agreement;
- Renewal of existing agreement with Hilltop Securities Asset Management, LLC for arbitrage services, in the amount of \$9,000.00 from general funds and authorize the Board President, Superintendent or designee to execute the agreement;
- Agreement with Hance Pyrotechnics for a fireworks display at the Union High School Graduation on May 18, 2025, in the amount of \$7,500.00 from activity funds and authorize the Board President, Superintendent or designee to execute the agreement;
- Updated Data Privacy Agreement with EDpuzzle, Inc. for the 6/7th Grade Center and authorize the Sixth Grade Principal, Tammy Ward, to execute the agreement;
- Memorandum of Understanding with Edulyze, LLC for the Enrollment Center and authorize the Board President, Superintendent or designee to execute the agreement;
- Student Affiliation Agreement with the University of St. Augustine for Health Sciences for placement of Occupational Therapy and Speech Language Pathology students and authorize the Executive Director of Human Resources to execute the agreement;
- Acceptance of grant awards and Grant Contract from Oklahoma Arts Council ("Council") and authorize the Superintendent or designee to execute the contract;
- Agreement with The Oklahoma Department of Agriculture, Food, and Forestry for the Oklahoma Local Food for Schools Program (OKLFS) and authorize the Superintendent or designee to execute the agreement;
- Master Services Agreement with Thirdline, Inc., for cloud-based software for the Finance Department and authorize the Board President, Superintendent or designee to execute the agreement;
- Application for Infrastructure Development Process Formal Acceptance (IDP) with the City of Tulsa for the Community Health Connection building and authorize the Board President, Superintendent or designee to execute the agreement;

- Personnel resignations and terminations for the 2024-2025 school year;
- Employment of certified and/or support staff, employment changes, and other payments for the 2024-2025 school year;
- Agreement with POSTOAK Lodge & Retreat for the annual Union Administrator's Retreat on June 10, 2025, in the amount of \$9,300.00 from activity funds and authorize the Board President, Superintendent or designee to execute the agreement;
- Monetary Donations;
- Declaration of equipment as surplus and authorize disposal of same through donation, Natural Evolution, Inc., or surplus auction;
- Contract with Bledsoe, Hewett & Gullekson, in the amount of \$5,000.00 from general funds, for the 2025-2026 Estimate of Needs and Temporary Appropriations, and authorize the Chief Financial Officer, Dr. Trish Williams, to sign the engagement letter;
- Applications for School Activity Fund Sanctioning as follows:
 - Ochoa PTA
 - Speech & Debate
 - Alternative Education PTA
- Approval of district financial statements and approval to issue, revise, pay, and close encumbrances and claims, PO list #22504099 through #22504462 in the amount of \$2,599,154.31 and the release of payroll encumbrances.

Mr. Nguyen seconded the motion.

Vote: Joey Reyes – aye, Stacey Roemerman – aye, Heather McAdams – aye, Steve Nguyen – aye, Chris McNeil - aye.

All voted aye – motion carried.

USPA REPORT

None.

UCTA REPORT

UCTA President, Kerri Gunter, stated that UCTA has been busy lobbying at the Capitol. They recently had several members attend the Public Schools Day and have several more scheduled to go in the next couple of weeks. They appreciated having the opportunity to have a voice and be a part of the discussion regarding next year's school calendar and how to make up snow days for this school year. Ms. Gunter wished everyone a great Spring Break.

RANGER ROBOTICS

Principal of Darnaby Elementary introduced the Ranger Robotics Team and STEM Strategist, MacKensie Mathison. He stated that both teams won a State Championship and earned a bid to the VEX Robotics World Competition in Dallas, TX. The team then gave a VEX IQ demonstration with MacKensie

Mathison explaining procedures of the competitions and robotics.

**HEARINGS AND
CORRESPONDENCE**

None.

COMMUNICATIONS

None.

**COMMENTS FROM THE
AUDIENCE REGARDING
THE AGENDA**

None

BUSINESS AGENDA

**2025-2026 SCHOOL
CALENDAR**

Dr. Federline recommended the Board approve the proposed 2025-2026 school calendar.

Ms. McAdams moved for approval. Dr. McNeil seconded the motion.

Vote: Joey Reyes – aye, Stacey Roemerman – aye, Heather McAdams – aye, Chris McNeil – aye, Steve Nguyen – aye.

All voted aye – motion carried.

**CAPACITY LEVELS FOR
OPEN TRANSFER**

Dr. Nelson recommended the Board approve the capacity levels and the calculated open transfer capacity amounts.

Ms. McAdams moved for approval. Dr. McNeil seconded the motion.

Vote: Joey Reyes – aye, Stacey Roemerman – aye, Heather McAdams – aye, Chris McNeil – aye, Steve Nguyen – aye.

All voted aye – motion carried.

**DISTRICT INTERNET
SERVICE**

Mr. Borland recommended the Board approve the contract renewal with LighStream Networks, LLC for district wide area network services, in the amount of \$315,480.00 from general/building funds (before applicable discounts).

Dr. McNeil moved for approval. Mr. Nguyen seconded the motion.

Vote: Joey Reyes – aye, Stacey Roemerman – aye, Heather McAdams – aye, Steve Nguyen – aye, Chris McNeil – aye.

All voted aye – motion carried.

**PURCHASE OF DOCKING
STATIONS FOR
TEACHER LAPTOPS**

Mr. Borland recommended the Board approve the purchase of 650 docking stations for teacher laptops from CDW Government LLC, in the amount of \$107,152.50 from bond funds.

Dr. McNeil moved for approval. Mr. Reyes seconded the motion.

Vote: Joey Reyes – aye, Stacey Roemerman – aye, Heather McAdams – aye, Chris McNeil – aye, Steve Nguyen – aye.

All voted aye – motion carried.

**PURCHASE OF STUDENT
LAPTOPS & ACCESSORIES**

Mr. Borland recommended the Board approve the purchase of 1200 student laptops and accessories from Trafera in the amount of \$730,800.00 from bond funds.

Dr. McNeil moved for approval. Mr. Reyes seconded the motion.

Vote: Joey Reyes – aye, Stacey Roemerman – aye, Chris McNeil – aye, Steve Nguyen – aye, Heather McAdams – aye.

All voted aye – motion carried.

**EARLY RETIREMENT
INCENTIVE PROGRAM**

Mr. Loegering recommended the Board approve the changes to 2024-2025 Early Retirement Incentive (ERI) program participation list.

Ms. McAdams moved for approval. Dr. McNeil seconded the motion.

Vote: Joey Reyes – aye, Stacey Roemerman – aye, Heather McAdams – aye, Chris McNeil – aye, Steve Nguyen – aye.

All voted aye – motion carried.

**APPLICATION FOR
TEMPORARY
APPROPRIATIONS**

Dr. Williams recommended the Board approve the 2025-2026 Application for Temporary Appropriations for the 2025-2026 fiscal year for the general, building, and child nutrition funds.

Ms. McAdams moved for approval. Mr. Reyes seconded the motion.

Vote: Joey Reyes – aye, Stacey Roemerman – aye, Heather McAdams – aye, Chris McNeil – aye, Steve Nguyen – aye.

All voted aye – motion carried.

RECEIVE BIDS FOR SALE OF BONDS

Since due and legal notice had been given that Union School District would offer for sale on this date and at this hour and at this place its \$37,500,000 Combined Purpose General Obligation Bonds of 2025, the Board of Education proceeded to consider the bids received for the purchase of said Bonds.

The following electronic bids were received and considered by the Board of Education:

<u>Bidder</u>	<u>Gross Interest Cost</u>	<u>Premium</u>	<u>Net Interest Cost</u>	<u>True Interest Cost</u>
USB Financial Services, Inc.	\$4,875,000.00	\$748,125.00	\$4,126,875.00	3.089293%
Robert W. Baird & Co., Inc.	\$4,687,500.00	\$562,406.25	\$4,125,093.75	3.094055%
BOK Financial Securities Inc.	\$4,790,625.00	\$655,500.00	\$4,135,125.00	3.095699%
Mesirow Financial, Inc.	\$4,509,375.00	\$230,625.00	\$4,278,750.00	3.223646%
KeyBanc Capital Markets	\$5,062,500.00	\$750,000.00	\$4,312,500.00	3.231673%
BNYMellon Capital Markets	\$4,839,843.75	\$472,312.50	\$4,367,531.25	3.297849%
Wells Fargo Bank, NA	\$5,156,250.00	\$746,276.25	\$4,409,973.75	3.306723%

Dr. Williams noted the District had received 7 bids and that Standard & Poor's has confirmed the district's rating of AA+. She introduced Ms. Jericah Dawson of Municipal Finance Service. Ms. Dawson stated that UBS Financial Services Inc. submitted the lowest bid. Ms. Dawson recommended the Board award the bonds to UBS Financial Services Inc.

Mr. Nguyen moved for approval. Dr. McNeil seconded the motion.

Vote: Joey Reyes – aye, Stacey Roemerman – aye, Heather McAdams – aye, Steve Nguyen – aye, Chris McNeil-aye.

All voted aye – motion carried.

RESOLUTION FOR THE ISSUANCE OF COMBINED PURPOSE GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS

Dr. McNeil moved the Board approve the resolution providing for the issuance of Combined Purpose General Obligation

Bonds of 2025 in the sum of \$37,500,000 by Independent School District No. 9, Tulsa County, Oklahoma, authorized at an election called and held for such purpose; prescribing form of bonds; designating bonds as “Combined Purpose General Obligation Bonds of 2025”; providing for the registration thereof; providing for the levy of an annual tax for the payment of principal and interest on the same; approving the form of a Continuing Disclosure Certificate; and fixing other details of the issue. Mr. Nguyen seconded the motion.

Vote: Joey Reyes – aye, Steve Nguyen – aye, Heather McAdams – aye, Chris McNeil - aye, Stacey Roemerman – aye.

All voted aye – motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

None.

COMMENTS FROM THE AUDIENCE AND BOARD MEMBERS

Dr. Federline congratulated the Finance Department for winning the Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting by the Government Finance Officers Association and the Certificate of Excellence in Financial Reporting and Budget Presentation with a Meritorious Budget Award for Excellence in Budgets from ASBO. Dr. Federline congratulated Dr. Williams and her team, and he stated “This allows our patrons and taxpayers to know that our finances are extremely transparent. We have a very high degree of accountability, and it is in good hands.” Dr. Federline congratulated both the girls’ and boys’ basketball teams as they are bound for State this week. Best of luck to both teams, Go Redhawks.

ADJOURNMENT

Ms. McAdams moved to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Reyes seconded the motion.

Vote: Joey Reyes – aye, Stacey Roemerman – aye, Heather McAdams – aye, Steve Nguyen – aye, Chris McNeil - aye.

All voted aye – motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 7:31 p.m.

Michelle Hinkle, Board Secretary

Regular Meeting
Board of Education
Union Public Schools

Minutes of the **March 10, 2025**, regular meeting were approved by a majority vote of the Union Board of Education on **April 14, 2025**.



Heather McAdams, Clerk
Union Board of Education