

**MULLEN BOARD OF EDUCATION  
MINUTES  
November 11, 2024**

The regular meeting of the Mullen School Board was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by President Liza Simonson She announced that the Open Meetings Act is posted on the west wall. Board members in attendance were **Present:** Mike French, Travis Hampton, Dane Peterson, Casey Phillips, Liza Simonson, Patrick Wright. Also present were 3 administrators, \_\_ staff, \_\_ students, and \_\_ patrons

Motion by Mike French, second by Dane Peterson to approve the minutes from the October 14, 2024 Regular Board Meeting. Motion carried.

Casey Phillips: yes, Dane Peterson: yes, Liza Simonson: yes, Mike French: yes, Patrick Wright: yes, Travis Hampton: Abstain (With Conflict)  
yes: 5, no: 0, Abstain (With Conflict): 1

Motion by Casey Phillips, second by Travis Hampton to approve payment of \$68,415.00 from the Depreciation Fund to Sysco for the upgraded kitchen appliances and materials. Motion carried.

Casey Phillips: yes, Dane Peterson: yes, Liza Simonson: yes, Mike French: yes, Patrick Wright: yes, Travis Hampton: yes  
yes: 6, no: 0

Motion by Casey Phillips, second by Patrick Wright to approve payment of \$68,415.00 from the Depreciation Fund to Sysco for the upgraded kitchen appliances and materials. Motion carried.

Casey Phillips: yes, Dane Peterson: yes, Liza Simonson: yes, Mike French: yes, Patrick Wright: yes, Travis Hampton: yes  
yes: 6, no: 0

Motion by Casey Phillips, second by Patrick Wright to approve the claim from the Hooker County Tribune for \$83.11. Motion carried.

Casey Phillips: yes, Dane Peterson: Abstain (With Conflict), Liza Simonson: yes, Mike French: yes, Patrick Wright: yes, Travis Hampton: yes  
yes: 5, no: 0, Abstain (With Conflict): 1

Motion by Casey Phillips, second by Mike French to Approval of the following November claims: Payroll \$305,263.93, General Fund \$48,572.37, Lunch Fund \$9,013.69, Depreciation Fund and October Activity Fund \$13,381.58. Motion carried.

Casey Phillips: yes, Dane Peterson: yes, Liza Simonson: yes, Mike French: yes, Patrick Wright: yes, Travis Hampton: yes  
yes: 6, no: 0

Motion by Travis Hampton, second by Dane Peterson to approve the completion of the 2024 Financial Audit by Neidhardt CPA PC & Associates. Motion carried.

Casey Phillips: yes, Dane Peterson: yes, Liza Simonson: yes, Mike French: yes, Patrick Wright: yes, Travis Hampton: yes  
yes: 6, no: 0

Motion by Patrick Wright, second by Casey Phillips to approve the 2025-2026 Negotiated Agreement between the Mullen Education Association and the Mullen Board of Education. Motion carried.

Casey Phillips: yes, Dane Peterson: yes, Liza Simonson: yes, Mike French: yes, Patrick Wright: yes, Travis Hampton: yes

yes: 6, no: 0

Motion by Dane Peterson, second by Travis Hampton to approve the quote from SAVVAS for 6th through 10th grade English Language Arts curriculum. Motion carried.

Casey Phillips: yes, Dane Peterson: yes, Liza Simonson: yes, Mike French: yes, Patrick Wright: yes, Travis Hampton: yes

yes: 6, no: 0

Motion by Casey Phillips, second by Dane Peterson to approve the Bobcat Lease through Bobcat of North Platte for 2025. Motion carried.

Casey Phillips: yes, Dane Peterson: yes, Liza Simonson: yes, Mike French: yes, Patrick Wright: yes, Travis Hampton: yes

yes: 6, no: 0

Motion by Mike French, second by Dane Peterson to table the bid from Lazy T S Custom Fencing for the elementary retaining wall project to seek further clarification on the installation process. Motion carried.

Casey Phillips: yes, Dane Peterson: yes, Liza Simonson: yes, Mike French: yes, Patrick Wright: yes, Travis Hampton: yes

yes: 6, no: 0

Motion by Mike French, second by Dane Peterson to approve the bid from Lazy T S Custom Fencing for the elementary retaining wall project. Motion Tabled.

Casey Phillips: yes, Dane Peterson: yes, Liza Simonson: yes, Mike French: yes, Patrick Wright: yes, Travis Hampton: yes

yes: 6, no: 0

Motion by Mike French, second by Casey Phillips to approve and adopt Policy 6037 Selection and Review of Library Materials. Motion carried.

Casey Phillips: yes, Dane Peterson: yes, Liza Simonson: yes, Mike French: yes, Patrick Wright: yes, Travis Hampton: yes

yes: 6, no: 0

As soon as the next month's meeting notice is posted on the Mullen Public Schools website, an agenda will be available for public inspection on both the school website and on the SPARQ meetings site.

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Chris Kuncl, Recording Secretary