

Union Grove Independent School District
Board of Trustees
Minutes
December 9, 2024

The Union Grove ISD Board of Trustees met in a regular meeting on Monday, December 9, 2024, at 6:00 p.m. in the High School Lion Center Auditorium.

Members present: Jody Day, Tim Turner, Tim Bower, Karey Barbee and Brian Cox

Members absent: Michael Potter, Justin Smith

Also present: Kelly Moore, Superintendent; Sherrill Ballard, Elementary Principal; Stephane Wallace, Elementary Asst. Principal; Laurice Marshall, Business Manager; Terri Woodfin, Superintendent's Secretary; Staff Members: Andy Thompson, Jonathan Stafford, Jodie Mayhan, Kelli Stanford, Jerry Croley, Colton and Jocy Shaver and Star Students of the month and parents; UG Band members

The meeting was called to order by Jody Day and he also led the board in a prayer.

Approve Agenda – It was the consensus of the board to approve the agenda as presented.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE – The pledge was led by all in attendance

PUBLIC HEARING – School F.I.R.S.T. Rating – Union Grove ISD received Superior Achievement on the report, with a score of 94 out of 100.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: There were no request to be heard by the board regarding items not on the agenda.

INFORMATION REPORT – Information items were presented to the Board as listed on the agenda.

- A. Growth and Exceptional change at UG – Tim Bower spoke regarding his thoughts and views on how UG has changed since he has been involved with Union Grove Schools.
- B. Star Student of the Month: ELEM – Holden Gillette; JH – Kinley Smith; HS – Kody Nutt
- C. Star Staff of the Month: Elementary – Kelli Stanford; JH/HS – Jodie Mayhan
- D. Student Recognition – UGHS Band – State Marching Contest – 4th in State. The band also played a couple of Christmas songs for all in attendance.
- E. Bill listing
- F. Budget Analysis
- G. Enrollment: Total: 715; HS 230; JH 112; EL 373
- H. Maintenance/Transportation Report – Jerry Croley spoke to the board regarding the number of buses and transportation vehicles. We have just received three new buses, and we will put three of our old buses in an auction later next summer.
- I. Superintendent Report
 1. Congratulations to Union Grove JH OAP & Mr. Ballard – this is the 12th consecutive year as District Champs in OAP.
 2. Meeting with Steel Mill Farms
 3. Great job Band Directors on an amazing band concert
 4. Tuesday, Dec. 17th, 10:50 – 1:00pm Food truck for staff for Christmas
 5. Landry Harris was named to the Texas Girls Coaches Association (TGCA) 2024 Girls Cross Country 2A All State Team; Only 32 runners in 2A from across the State were recognized as All State!
 6. Board Service – Kelly Moore gave the board members suggestions for service around the district and monthly suggestions from the principals.
 7. Balanced Scorecard Goal Progress Monitoring – Kelly Moore presented to the board regarding this month's activities.

CONSENT AGENDA

- A. It was a consensus of the board to approve the minutes of November 11, 2024 regular meeting

ACTION AGENDA

A. Business Matters

1. Motion was made by Tim Bower and seconded by Brian Cox to approve the affidavit regarding Public Funds Investment Act training for school districts for academic year 2024-2025. Motion carried. Unanimous

CLOSED SESSION[Authority: Texas Govt. Code Section 551.071, 551.072, 551.074 551.076, 551.082, 551.0821]

Motion was made by Tim Turner and seconded by Tim Bower that the board adjourn to closed session at 6:46 p.m. Motion carried. Unanimous

ACTION FOLLOWING CLOSED SESSION

1. Motion was made by Tim Turner and seconded by Brian Cox to approve hiring Elizabeth Higgins, Non-Certified probationary position, as Business manager, term will be for six months basis for the remainder of the 2024-2025 school year according to the hours and dates set by the district as the exist hereafter and to be amended . Motion carried. Unanimous

ADJOURN

Motion was made by Tim Turner seconded by Brian Cox to adjourn at 6:57 p.m. Motion carried. Unanimous

President, Board of Trustees

Secretary, Board of Trustees

Superintendent of Schools