MEETING MINUTES

Jackson DeFore - Chairman
Al Hatcher - Vice Chairman
Raymond Dickey- Board Member
Erica O'Neal- Board Member
Joe Sutton- Board Member
Anthony Aikens - Superintendent

I. Call To Order, Invocation & Pledge of Allegiance

The regular meeting of the Crawford County Board of Education was called to order by Vice-Chair Al Hatcher at approximately 6:30 p.m. Other board members present were Chair Jackson DeFore, Raymond Dickey, Joe Sutton and Erica O'Neal.

Mr. Hatcher gave the Invocation. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Kylar Stubbs, a student at Crawford County Elementary School.

II. Approval of Agenda

Mr. Dickey made the motion to approve the agenda as presented. Mr. Sutton seconded. The vote was unanimous.

III. Special Recognitions

a. Board Appreciation Week

Board members were formally recognized, thanked for their hard work, commitment and dedication to the school system.

IV. Visitors to Speak to the Board

There were no visitors present to speak to the board.

V. Approval of Consent Items

a. Copies of Minutes

Mr. Hatcher made the motion to approve the minutes from February 10, 2026 as presented. Mr. Dickey seconded. The vote was unanimous.

VI. Superintendent's Reports and Presentations

Mr. Aikens reported on several maintenance and construction updates. The roof project at the old maintenance building has been completed, and work is ongoing to replace the windows. Construction on the field house is scheduled to begin this week. Work on the press box is nearing completion. The construction class has been assisting with work on the field house. Additionally, pump stations are being replaced with grinder pumps. He also noted that the roofs at the primary and elementary schools will be replaced during spring break to minimize disruption.

a. Student Achievement and Success

i. Action Memo-Chromebooks

Mr. Aikens presented an action memo requesting board approval for the purchase of 125 Acer Chromebooks and 125 protective sleeves from Vivacity Tech at a total cost of $32,960, to be funded through Federal Title V funds. Mr. Dickey made the motion to approve the request as presented. Mr. Hatcher seconded. The vote was unanimous.

b. Stakeholder Engagement and Communication

i. Legislative Update

Mr. Aikens presented and discussed several legislative updates.

c. Organizational and Operational Excellence

i. Financial Report

Mr. Aikens prestned financial reports. Mr. Sutton made the motion to approve the reports as presented. Mrs. O'Neal seconded. The vote was unanimous.

ii. Hearing Officer Reports

Mr. Aikens presented the hearing officer report with GTID# 7625093204. Mr. Dickey made the motion to approve the hearing officer report as presented. Mr. Sutton seconded. The vote was unanimous.

iii. GSBA Legislative Positions & Delegates

Mr. Hatcher was elected as the GSBA delegate and Mrs. O'Neal as the alternate delegate.

VII. Quality Workforce

VIII. Board Member Reports

Mr. Dickey
- Discussed details about bond payment.
- Move forward with doing something wtih the furniture in the gym on HWY 341

Mrs. O'Neal
-Check on the buzzing noise coming from the meter base at the baseball field.

-Consider program for retired educators to bring positive role models back to the schools to spread positivity.
Mr. Sutton
- Several lights out on the football field. Consider replacing them at some point.
Mr. Hatcher
-Status of the second school resource officer? The applicants so far have had no law enforcement experience.
Mr. DeFore
-Nothing to report.

IX. Personnel

Mr. Aikens asked to go into executive session to discuss personnel.

Mr. Dickey made the motion to re-open the assistant position. Mr. Hatcher seconded. The vote was unanimous.

a. Agenda

Mr. Dickey made the motion to approve the personnel agenda as presented. Mr. Sutton seconded. The vote was unanimous.

b. Executive Session

Mr. Sutton made the motion to move into executive session to discuss personnel at approximately 8:03p.m. Mrs. O'Neal seconded. The vote was unanimous.

Mr. Sutton made the motion to exit executive session at approximately 8:20p.m. Mrs. O'Neal seconded. The vote was unanimous.

X. Adjournment

Mr. Hatcher made the motion to adjourn the meeting at approxmiately 8:23 p.m. Mr. Sutton seconded. The vote was unanimous.