UNITED TOWNSHIP HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT 30
BOARD OF EDUCATION
OPEN SESSION MINUTES
August 10, 2026

1. Call to Order / Roll Call (BP 2:10)

President Dr. Giovanna Davila called the regular meeting of the United Township High School District 30 Board of Education to order at 6:00 p.m.

Board members present:	Dr. Giovanna Davila, Chris DeCock, Jami Gonzalez, Sue Ickes, Susan Koska, Luis Puentes, and Debra Stevenson
Board members absent:	None
Administrators present:	Dr. Jay Morrow, Janice Roome, Shannon Miller, Matt Wright, and James Hood

2. Conduct Public Hearing on the United Township Area Career Center and Quad City Career and Technical Education Consortium FY27 Final Budgets (BP 4:10)

President Davila opened the public hearing on the final FY27 budgets for United Township High School Area Career Center and Quad City Career and Technical Education Consortium. Hearing no comments or questions, the public hearing closed at 6:01 p.m.

3. Consent Calendar

a. Approval of Minutes
   1) Open Session Minutes – July 10, 2026
   2) Executive Session Minutes – July 10, 2026
b. Approval of Bills
c. Approval of Treasurer's Report
   1) District Financial Report
   2) HS Activity Account Report
   3) HS Activity Account – Money Market
   4) ACC Activity Account Report
   5) Booster Club Financials
   6) Health Insurance Report
   7) Cafeteria Report
d. Adopt Resolution No. 720 Designating Interest Earnings for FY27 and Prior (BP 2:20; BP 4:10)
e. Freedom of Information Act Report (BP 2:250)

MOTION by Debra Stevenson and second by Susan Koska to approve the Consent Calendar, as presented. A roll call vote was called with all members present voting aye. There was no opposition to the motion – motion passed.

4. Hearing of Visitors (BP 2:230)
None.

5. Student / Staff / Community Program Recognition (BP 5:100; BP 6:190)
None.

6. Communications (BP 2:140; BP 3:10)
None.

7. Unfinished Business
None.

8. Student BOE Liaison Report (Husna Kadri / Abrar Sherif)
Dr. Morrow introduced Abrar Sherif as the newest student board liaison member. Ms. Kadri expressed appreciation for the opportunity to participate as a Student Board Member Liaison. Ms. Sherif introduced herself to the Board and shared her excitement to be involved.

9. Administrative Report (Mathew Wright / Kai Killam) (BP 3:10; BP 3:60)

a. Discipline Report – Mr. William Bradford presented on highlights and lowlights of what has been happening in Student Services. He reported out of school suspension, in school suspension, vaping, cell phone use, and fighting incidents all decreased in school year 2025-2026. Communications with incoming eighth grade students on expectations have helped improve behaviors, with partner districts beginning to adopt some of the same behavior standards. Social probation has also been helpful to improve attendance and behaviors. Student services is working to reduce referrals, excessive tardies, and period truancy rates.
b. Athletic Code Alignment with Nicotine Vaping/Smoking Consequence: Mr. Wright shared the adjustments that will be made regarding use of nicotine vaping. Students using vapes and vape products will be allowed and encouraged to participate in prevention educational services to reduce suspensions from education and activities. The administration will also investigate the use of a vape escape room to educate students.

10. Comptroller's Report (Janice Roome) (BP 3:10)

a. PMA Bond Presentation – Mr. Robert Lewis with PMA Securities presented a variety of bond financing scenarios for consideration. The Board will start the process at the September meeting by issuing a Notice of Intent to Issue Bonds, followed by a hearing at the meeting in October.
b. Annual Review of Risk Management Plan: Ms. Roome reported there are no changes to the Risk Management Plan. The Board is required annually to review the plan and approve any recommended changes.

Ms. Stevenson left the meeting at 6:58 p.m.

c. Request approval of the final FY27 UTHS ACC and QCC TEC budgets: Ms. Roome requested adoption of the final FY27 budgets as presented. Mr. Hood reported CTI funding remained level. Funding from the Perkins grant decreased due to adding two to three career centers without increasing the funding level.

Ms. Stevenson returned to the meeting at 7:00 p.m.

11. Superintendent's Report (Dr. Jay Morrow) (BP 3:10; BP 3:40; BP 3:60)

a. School Resource Officer Agreement: Dr. Morrow provided the historical background on the School Resource Officer program with the city of East Moline. The Board is asked to approve the agreement with changes proposed on the redline document. The city will approve the updated agreement at their meeting August 17, 2026. The SRO program has been beneficial for the district and police department.

10. Committee Reports (BP 2:150)
<u>**IASB Blackhawk Division Resolutions Committee:**</u> Ms. Stevenson reported the committee met in Springfield last week.

11. BLANKET MOTION

a. Approve Risk Management Plan, as presented (BP 4:170)
b. Adopt United Township High School Area Career Center (ACC) and Quad City Career and Technical Education Consortium (QCC TEC) FY27 Final Budgets, as presented (BP 2:20)
c. Approve School Resource Officer Agreement with the city of East Moline, as presented (BP 1:20: BP 2:20)

MOTION by Jami Gonzalez and second by Sue Ickes to approve the Blanket Motion, as presented. A roll call vote was called with all members present voting aye. There was no opposition to the motion – motion passed.

12. ACTION ITEMS

a. Executive Session
 1) 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(1) Personnel to consider the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employee(s) of the district
 2) 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(2) Collective negotiating matters between the public body and its employees or their representatives or deliberations concerning salary schedules for one or more classes of employees
 3) 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(9) Student Discipline

MOTION by Debra Stevenson and second by Jami Gonzalez to convene Executive Session for the topic presented. A roll call vote was called with all members present voting aye. There was no opposition to the motion – motion passed.

Time: 7:09 p.m.

Note: The Board did not take a break

b. Return to Open Session

MOTION by Sue Ickes and second by Jami Gonzalez to return to open session. A roll call vote was called with all members present voting aye. There was no opposition to the motion – motion passed.

Time: 7:18 p.m.

c. Personnel Recommendations (BP 2:20; BP 5:30)

CLASSIFIED

1. Approve the following 2026-2027 substitute hourly rates:

Title	2026-2027 Hourly Rates
Administrative Assistant	$20.57
Student Supervisor	$22.00
Paraprofessional	$24.61
Cafeteria Worker	$16.78
Bus Driver	$20.00
Clinical Nurse (Voc. Ed.)	$34.72

Custodian	$21.07
Nurse	$31.90

2. Approve rate of pay for the following job classifications not included in the UTEA contract:

Title	2026-2027 Hourly Rates
Part-time Building/Grounds	$18.50
Lead Painter	$21.50
Painter Assistant	$16.50
Part-time Bus Monitor	$17.00
Traffic Control Officers	$40.00

3. Accept resignation from John Gray, bus driver, effective August 3, 2026.

4. Accept resignation from Karrie Allen, bus driver, effective July 30, 2026.

5. Employ Amy Stumphy as bus driver (replace Kim Bush – Lane Contract Year 5, Start Date FY27 - $20.00 per hour), pending completion of fingerprinting background check results.

6. Employ Esther Agokpa-Nuake as substitute paraprofessional, at $24.61 per hour, effective August 10, 2026.

7. Terminate employee ID #815564, effective August 10, 2026.

8. Accept resignation from Simon Wilson-Bahoun, bilingual paraprofessional, effective July 27, 2026.

9. Accept resignation from Analysia Gomez, Administrative Assistant – General Office, effective August 20, 2026.

10. Reassign Gloria Rivera from 5-hour cafeteria employee, to 5.5 hour cafeteria employee, effective August 3, 2026.

<u>CERTIFIED</u>

1. Approve first semester sixth assignment for Brittany Secor (FACS), for $3,833.

2. Approve retirement notice for Jennifer Drobney, UTEC Director, effective the end of the 2029-2030 school year.

3. Approve Kaylin Hurt as girls' tennis volunteer coach effective the 2026-2027 season.

4. Accept resignation from Jesse DeSilva as freshman boys' basketball head coach, effective August 7, 2026.

5. Approve the following coaches for the 2026-2027 season:

POSITION	NAME	AMOUNT
Basketball – Freshman Boys Head Coach	Breon Hickman	$5,455
Basketball – Freshman Boys Assistant Coach	Brody Harding	$5,455
Esports – Head Coach	Josh Carlson	$5,568

MOTION by Luis Puentes and second by Susan Koska to approve Revised Personnel Recommendations, Classified numbers 1 through 6, and Classified numbers 8 through 10; and Certified numbers 1 through 5, as presented. A roll call vote was called with all members present voting aye. There was no opposition to the motion – motion passed.

MOTION by Sue Ickes and second by Chris DeCock to approve Revised Personnel Recommendations Classified number 7, as presented. The vote on the motion was called and recorded as follows:
Ayes: Davila, DeCock, Gonzalez, Ickes, Koska, Stevenson
Nays: None
Abstain: Puentes

MOTION CARRIED

13. Board Hot Topics

a. Board members were reminded to complete the evaluation form at their place.
b. IASB/IASA/IASBO Friday Focus Workshops – November 20, 2026.
Please submit the Google form with workshop selections by August 10. Mr. Puentes reported he will not be able to attend the conference.
c. Blackhawk Division Meeting – Wednesday, September 23, Kewanee High School, 6:00 p.m. Registration is due by September 11. The topic of the meeting is geared toward elementary schools.
d. Consolidated Election Packets: election petition circulation begins August 25. Packets are due back to the Rock Island County Clerk's office beginning November 16 through November 23.

14. Other Matters

The Board Skyline photo will be on Monday, September 14 in the front lobby. The Board was reminded to sign the budget sheets before leaving. Ms. Stevenson will be presenting the Resolutions report at the Blackhawk Division meeting. Ms. Gonzalez reminded everyone that Booster membership sign-up is now open. A mixer will be held at Runner's Park after the Panther Preview on August 14.

15. Adjourn (BP 2:220)

There being no further business brought before the Board, the meeting adjourned by acclamation. (Time: 7:23 p.m.)

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Dr. Giovanna Davila, President Jami Gonzalez, Secretary