

**GUTHRIE PUBLIC SCHOOLS
BOARD MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING
AUGUST 8, 2016**

MINUTES OF THE GUTHRIE PUBLIC SCHOOLS BOARD OF EDUCATION REGULAR MEETING HELD AT 7:00 P.M. IN THE OFFICE OF THE BOARD, 802 EAST VILAS, GUTHRIE, OKLAHOMA ON AUGUST 8, 2016

Board Members Present: Jennifer Bennett-Johnson, Gail Davis, Terry Pennington, Janna Pierson, Tina Smedley and Sharon Watts

Board Member Absent: Travis Sallee

District Level School Officials Present: Dr. Mike Simpson, Superintendent
Dennis Schulz, Ass't Superintendent
Doug Ogle, Executive Director of Personnel/Secondary Ed
Carmen Walters, Executive Director of Federal Programs/Elementary Ed
Eldona Woodruff, Director of Special Education
Cody Thompson, Director of Operations
Dee Benson, Director of Technology
Jessica Callaway, Director of Child Nutrition
Shelley Toon-Daves, Route Supervisor
Jean Watts, Deputy Minutes Clerk

1. The meeting was called to order by President Watts.
2. Members Jennifer Bennett-Johnson, Gail Davis, Terry Pennington, Janna Pierson, Tina Smedley, and Sharon Watts were present for roll call.

Member Travis Sallee was not present for roll call.
3. A quorum was established.
4. President Watts asked everyone present to stand and join her in the Pledge of Allegiance.
5. President Watts asked everyone present to join her in a Moment of Silence.
- 6A. President Watts asked the Superintendent if there were any citizens registered to speak to the Board.

Superintendent Simpson stated there were no citizens registered to speak to the Board.

6B. President Watts called for any comments to the Board by Board members.

There were no comments to the Board by Board members.

7. President Watts called for the Superintendent's Reports.

Superintendent Simpson reported on the following:

Gave an update regarding the construction at Central Elementary School. The current construction is finished for now and the building is 98% finished being cleaned. The air conditioning is on and working. Teachers are expected to be allowed in the building on Wednesday. The only thing left of this project is to replace the windows which will take place this Fall.

Explained we handled summer cleaning differently this year. All site custodians stayed at his or her site except for Central Elementary. Custodians are currently putting the finishing touches on Fogarty. This new schedule has been a success as the teachers have been allowed in their classrooms earlier and hopefully the sites will have a new level of cleanliness as they are responsible for their own buildings.

Congratulated Coach Jon Chappell and the Hall of Fame Committee for hosting a successful golf tournament last weekend. They are in the process of raising money to get the Hall of Fame up and running again as the last inductee was inducted in 2001.

Announced that elementary centralized enrollment began today at the High School. Representatives from Transportation and Child Nutrition are also represented at enrollment thus making enrollment a one-stop-shop. Centralized enrollment will be held tomorrow at the High School from 12-7:00 p.m. Ms. Walters has done a great job heading these efforts and this process has been a success.

Updated the Board on the following important upcoming dates:

***Thursday, August 11-GHS Softball will host their home opener against Capitol Hill beginning at 5:00 p.m.**

***Friday, August 12-New Teacher Orientation beginning at 8:00 a.m. in the Board Room. We have 17 new teachers this year that will be attending. These numbers are down across the State and in our District as well. Board members are invited to attend and Dr. Simpson will be taking some Board members on a tour of our facilities following Teacher Orientation. If Board members are not able to attend and would like a tour on another day, please let him know.**

***Saturday, August 13-Meet the Bluejays will be held at Jelsma Stadium from 2-7 p.m. John Vance is hosting a "Test Drive a Buick" fundraiser which will benefit GHS Football as well as the Guthrie Educational Foundation. Dr. Simpson encouraged the Board and audience to attend.**

***Tuesday, August 16-GPS Convocation will be held at the Guthrie Junior High Auditorium at 8:00 a.m. JROTC and Guthrie Band will be present for this event.**

***Wednesday, August 17-GPS Special Board Meeting at 7:30 a.m.**

***Wednesday, August 17-GPS Elementary Meet the Teacher from 12-7:00 p.m. at the elementary sites**

***Thursday, August 18-Annual Data Retreat in the Board Room from 8-11:00 a.m.**

***Friday, August 19-First day of school**

***Friday-Sunday, August 26-28-OSSBA/CCOSA Conference in OKC. Let Jana know if you would like to sign up for this conference.**

8. President Watts called for action on the Consent Agenda.

A motion was made by Pierson and seconded by Davis to approve the Consent Agenda as presented.

The motion carried with 6 ayes and 0 nays.

9A. President Watts called for recommendation, consideration and action to calculate the 2016-2017 school year by instructional hours.

A motion was made by Davis and seconded by Smedley to approve calculating the 2016-2017 school year by instructional hours.

The motion carried with 6 ayes and 0 nays.

9B. President Watts called for recommendation, consideration and action upon Teen Risk Avoidance and Character Education (TRACE) for 9th grade students.

A motion was made by Smedley and seconded by Davis upon approval of the Teen Risk Avoidance and Character Education (TRACE) for 9th grade students.

The motion carried with 6 ayes and 0 nays.

9C. President Watts called for recommendation, consideration and action upon agreements with the City of Guthrie for School Resource Officers for 2016-2017.

A motion was made by Pierson and seconded by Bennett-Johnson to approve the agreements with the City of Guthrie for School Resource Officers for 2016-2017.

The motion carried with 6 ayes and 0 nays.

9D. President Watts called for recommendation, consideration and action upon change order for Graco Roofing and Construction, LLC.

A motion was made by Smedley and seconded by Davis to approve Change Order #1 for Graco Roofing and Construction, LLC.

The motion carried with 6 ayes and 0 nays.

9E. President Watts called for recommendation, consideration and action upon School Bus Rider's Handbook for 2016-2017.

A motion was made by Davis and seconded by Smedley to approve the School Bus Rider's Handbook for 2016-2017.

The motion carried with 6 ayes and 0 nays.

- 9F. President Watts called for recommendation, consideration and action upon revision to Policy F-6 *Guthrie Public Schools Wellness Policy*.**

A motion was made by Smedley and seconded by Davis to approve the revision to Policy F-6 *Guthrie Public Schools Wellness Policy*.

The motion carried with 6 ayes and 0 nays.

- 10. President Watts called for proposed executive session for the purpose of discussing employment of personnel, FMLA requests, resignation/separation from employment and transfer of position requests all as set out on the Personnel Reports, teacher negotiations for 2016-2017, Administrator's Handbook and Salary Schedule for 2016-2017, disclosure of which information would violate the confidentiality requirements of state and/or federal law all pursuant to 25 OKLA. STAT. Section 307 (B) 1, 2 and 7.**

- 10A. A motion was made by Smedley and seconded by Bennett-Johnson to go into executive session.**

The motion carried with 6 ayes and 0 nays. Executive session began at 7:18 p.m.

- 10B. President Watts acknowledged the Board's return to open session at 7:56 p.m.**

- 10C. President Watts stated that in executive session only those items listed in Agenda Item 10 were discussed and no votes were taken.**

- 11. President Watts called for a vote on action as set out on the Personnel Reports.**

A motion was made by Pennington and seconded by Bennett-Johnson to approve action as set out on the Personnel Reports.

The motion carried with 6 ayes and 0 nays.

- 12. President Watts called for recommendation, consideration and action upon Administrator's Handbook and Salary Schedule-not including the Superintendent-for 2016-2017.**

A motion was made by Pennington and seconded by Davis to approve the Administrator's Handbook and Salary Schedule-not including the Superintendent-for 2016-2017.

The motion carried with 6 ayes and 0 nays.

- 13. President Watts called for recommendation, consideration and action to accept any resignations offered since the posting of the agenda.**

Superintendent Simpson stated he had received the resignations of Tresha Arrington, Special Education Teacher at Guthrie Junior High School, effective August 5, 2016 and Chad LaFerry, Custodian at Fogarty Elementary, effective August 8, 2016.

A motion was made by Smedley and seconded by Davis to accept the resignations of Tresha Arrington and Chad LaFerry.

The motion carried with 6 ayes and 0 nays.

- 14. President Watts called for discussion and possible action on new business not known about or could not have been reasonably foreseen at the time of the agenda posting.**

Superintendent Simpson stated there was no new business.

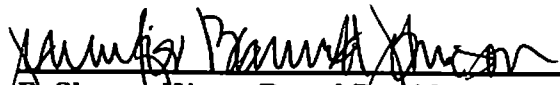
- 15. A motion was made by Pennington and seconded by Smedley to adjourn the meeting.**

The motion carried with 6 ayes and 0 nays.

The meeting adjourned at 7:58 p.m.




Jana Frey, Minutes Clerk



~~E. Sharon Watts, Board President~~
Jennifer Bennett-Johnson, Vice President

APPROVED

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