

**GUTHRIE PUBLIC SCHOOLS  
BOARD MINUTES  
REGULAR MEETING  
JULY 8, 2019**

**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 JULY 8, 2019**

**Board Members Present:** Jennifer Bennett-Johnson, Gina Davis, Janna Pierson, Ron Plagg, Travis Sallee, Tina Smedley and Sharon Watts

**District Level School Officials Present:** Dr. Mike Simpson, Superintendent  
Doug Ogle, Assistant Superintendent  
Carmen Walters, Executive Director of  
Federal Programs/Elementary Ed  
Michelle Chapple, Chief Financial Officer  
Angie Smedley, Director of Special  
Education  
Cody Thompson, Director of Operations  
Dee Benson, Director of Technology

1. The meeting was called to order by President Smedley.
2. Members Jennifer Bennett-Johnson, Gina Davis, Janna Pierson, Ron Plagg, Travis Sallee, Tina Smedley and Sharon Watts were present for roll call.
3. A quorum was established.
4. President Smedley asked everyone present to stand and join her in the Pledge of Allegiance.
5. President Smedley asked everyone present to join her in a Moment of Silence.
- 6A. President Smedley asked the Superintendent if there were any citizens registered to speak to the Board.

Superintendent Simpson stated there were two citizens registered to speak to the Board.

Katharine Hayes spoke to the Board regarding staggered times.

Donna Coffin spoke to the Board regarding staggered times.

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

There were no comments to the Board by Board members.

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

Superintendent Simpson reported on the following:

**Gave a construction update: This morning, we opened the track for our students to utilize. The new chair backs for the GHS gym are scheduled to arrive on July 19<sup>th</sup> and will be installed shortly after. Work continues on the HVAC of the central portion of the High School as well as the gyms. We have had chiller issues at the Junior High, GUES and Central. We have solutions for GUES and Central that have those units functional again. The Junior High chiller will require a new compressor which is on order.**

**Many of our staff will be attending Engage Oklahoma later this month. This is a conference sponsored by the Oklahoma State Department of Education.**

**Our board retreat is scheduled for this Thursday at the Cimarron National clubhouse. Breakfast will be at 8:00 a.m. with the meeting convening at 8:30 a.m. We hope to finish shortly after lunch.**

**A reminder to board members that the OSSBA/CCOSA Conference is not far away. It will be held August 23-25. Please see Jana Frey for registration.**

**8. President Smedley called for action on the Consent Agenda.**

**A motion was made by Bennett-Johnson and seconded by Sallee to approve the Consent Agenda excluding Item 8A, minutes of regular board meeting held on June 10, 2019.**

**The motion carried with 7 ayes and 0 nays.**

**A motion was made by Watts and seconded by Davis to approve Item 8A, minutes of regular board meeting held on June 10, 2019.**

**The motion carried with 6 ayes and 1 abstention-Member Bennett-Johnson abstaining.**

**9A. President Smedley called for recommendation, consideration and action upon \$.10 increase for all paid student breakfast and lunch meals.**

**A motion was made by Davis and seconded by Watts to approve a \$.10 increase for all paid student breakfast and lunch meals.**

**The motion carried with 7 ayes and 0 nays.**

**9B. President Smedley called for recommendation, consideration and action to approve Ms. Carmen Walters as the authorized official for GPS to sign any federal claims for reimbursement from the State Department of Education.**

**A motion was made by Plagg and seconded by Bennett-Johnson to approve Ms. Carmen Walters as the authorized official for GPS to sign any federal claims for reimbursement from the State Department of Education.**

**The motion carried with 7 ayes and 0 nays.**

**9C. President Smedley called for recommendation, consideration and action to approve Ms. Angie Smedley as the authorized official for GPS to sign any special education**

reimbursement claims from the State Department of Education for projects 621, 623, 625, 641 and 642.

A motion was made by Davis and seconded by Watts to approve Ms. Angie Smedley as the authorized official for GPS to sign any special education reimbursement claims from the State Department of Education for projects 621, 623, 625, 641 and 642.

Discussion followed.

The motion carried with 7 ayes and 0 nays.

- 9D. President Smedley called for recommendation, consideration and action upon application for conducting cooperative activities programs with St. Mary's Catholic School of Guthrie for 2019-2020.

A motion was made by Watts and seconded by Bennett-Johnson to approve the application for conducting cooperative activities programs with St. Mary's Catholic School of Guthrie for 2019-2020.

The motion carried with 7 ayes and 0 nays.

- 9E. President Smedley called for recommendation, consideration and action upon Activity Fund Handbook for 2019-2020.

A motion was made by Watts and seconded by Pierson to approve the Activity Fund Handbook for 2109-2020.

The motion carried with 7 ayes and 0 nays.

- 9F. President Smedley called for recommendation, consideration and action upon Guthrie Upper Elementary Student Handbook for 2019-2020.

Discussion followed.

A motion was made by Watts and seconded by Davis to approve the Guthrie Upper Elementary Student Handbook for 2019-2020 with the following additional changes:

Page 11-The ~~Administer~~ Administrator will take disciplinary action...

Page 14- 4. Under no circumstance is a student to wear clothing that is purposely-frayed or has holes...

The motion carried with 7 ayes and 0 nays.

- 9G. President Smedley called for recommendation, consideration and action upon Jr. High School Student Handbook for 2019-2020.

A motion was made by Watts and seconded by Davis to approve the Jr. High School Student Handbook for 2019-2020.

Discussion followed.

**Dr. Simpson noted that he will have all sites correct their handbooks to reflect board members to be listed uniformly.**

**The motion carried with 7 ayes and 0 nays.**

- 9H. President Smedley called for recommendation, consideration and action upon Faver Alternative School Student Handbook for 2019-2020.**

**A motion was made by Watts and seconded by Pierson to approve the Faver Alternative School Student Handbook for 2019-2020.**

**Discussion after motion.**

**The motion carried with 7 ayes and 0 nays.**

- 9I. President Smedley called for recommendation, consideration and action upon Guthrie High School Student Handbook for 2019-2020.**

**Discussion followed.**

**A motion was made by Watts and seconded by Sallee to approve the Guthrie High School Student Handbook for 2019-2020 with the following additional changes:**

**Page 5-both bell schedules should end at 3:10 p.m.**

**Page 25-Beginning with the class of 2023, candidates for valedictorian may not have a grade below a B in an AP or Concurrent course or below an A in a regular course on their Transcript.**

**The motion carried with 7 ayes and 0 nays.**

- 9J. President Smedley called for recommendation, consideration and action upon Guthrie High School Course Description Handbook for 2019-2020.**

**Discussion followed.**

**A motion was made by Sallee and seconded by Watts to approve the Guthrie High School Course Description Handbook for 2019-2020 and to additionally align any changes with the motion made on Item 9I.**

**Discussion followed.**

**The motion carried with 7 ayes and 0 nays.**

- 9K. President Smedley called for recommendation, consideration and action upon Memorandum of Understanding between Meridian Technology Center and Guthrie Public Schools for supplemental funding for Guthrie Middle School Gateway to Technology Programs for 8<sup>th</sup> grade students for 2019-2020.**

**A motion was made by Davis and seconded by Bennett-Johnson to approve the Memorandum of Understanding between Meridian Technology Center and Guthrie Public Schools for supplemental funding for Guthrie Middle School Gateway to Technology Programs for 8<sup>th</sup> grade students for 2019-2020.**

**The motion carried with 7 ayes and 0 nays.**

- 9L. President Smedley called for recommendation, consideration and action upon loan agreement with Child Nutrition Fund for 2019-2020.**

**A motion was made by Pierson and seconded by Watts to approve the loan agreement with Child Nutrition Fund for 2019-2020.**

**The motion carried with 7 ayes and 0 nays.**

- 9M. President Smedley called for recommendation, consideration and action upon agreement with Imperial Vending for snack vending for 2019-2020.**

**A motion was made by Watts and seconded by Pierson to approve the agreement with Imperial Vending for snack vending for 2019-2020.**

**The motion carried with 7 ayes and 0 nays.**

- 9N. President Smedley called for recommendation, consideration and action upon change order #1 to Innovative Mechanical LLC on HS HVAC Replacement.**

**A motion was made by Plagg and seconded by Watts to approve change order #1 to Innovative Mechanical LLC on HS HVAC Replacement.**

**The motion carried with 7 ayes and 0 nays.**

- 9O. President Smedley called for recommendation, consideration and action to approve the formation of a Shooting Sports Team at GHS for 2019-2020 through the GHS AG ED Program.**

**A motion was made by Watts and seconded by Pierson to approve the formation of a Shooting Sports Team at GHS for 2019-2020 through the GHS AG ED Program.**

**Discussion followed.**

**The motion carried with 7 ayes and 0 nays.**

- 9P. President Smedley called for discussion and possible action to modify school starting and ending times for the 2019-2020 school year.**

**Discussion followed.**

**A motion was made by Davis and seconded by Watts to not make a modification to the start and end times for the 2019-2020 school year.**

**The motion carried with 7 ayes and 0 nays.**

- 10. President Smedley 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, employment of temporary contract teachers as listed for 2019-2020 and teacher negotiations for 2019-2020 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 Watts and seconded by Pierson to go into executive session.**

**The motion carried with 7 ayes and 0 nays. Executive session began at 8:03 p.m.**

- 10B. President Smedley acknowledged the Board's return to open session at 9:17 p.m.**

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

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

**A motion was made by Pierson and seconded by Watts to approve action as set out on the Personnel Reports.**

**The motion carried with 7 ayes and 0 nays.**

- 12. President Smedley called for action upon recommendation to rehire temporary contract teachers as listed for the first semester of 2019-2020.**

**A motion was made by Watts and seconded by Davis to rehire temporary contract teachers as listed for the first semester of 2019-2020.**

**The motion carried with 7 ayes and 0 nays.**

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

**Superintendent Simpson stated 3 resignations were offered since the posting of the agenda: Ryan Wiss-Teacher at GUES, Roger Alan Dawson-SPED Teacher at GJHS and Kaitlyn Williams-AG ED Teacher at GHS.**

**A motion was made by Plagg and seconded by Davis to accept the resignations of Ryan Wiss, Roger Alan Dawson and Kaitlyn Williams, all offered since the posting of the agenda.**

**The motion carried with 7 ayes and 0 nays.**

- 14. President Smedley 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.**

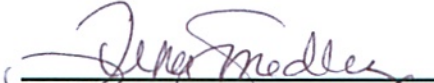
- 15. A motion was made by Watts and seconded by Davis to adjourn the meeting.**

The motion carried with 7 ayes and 0 nays.

The meeting adjourned at 9:19 p.m.

  
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Jana Frey, Minutes Clerk

  
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Tina Smedley, Board President

APPROVED

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