

**GUTHRIE PUBLIC SCHOOLS
BOARD MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING
802 EAST VILAS AVE
GUTHRIE, OKLAHOMA
DECEMBER 14, 2020**

MINUTES OF THE GUTHRIE PUBLIC SCHOOLS BOARD OF EDUCATION REGULAR MEETING HELD AT 6:30 P.M. IN THE ADMINISTRATION BUILDING, 802 EAST VILAS AVE, GUTHRIE, OKLAHOMA ON DECEMBER 14, 2020.

Board Members Present:

S. Janna Pierson, Chris Schroder, Ron Plagg, Jennifer Bennett-Johnson, Gina Davis, Travis Sallee, Tina Smedley

District Level School Officials Present:

**Dr. Mike Simpson, Superintendent
Doug Ogle, Assistant Superintendent
Carmen Walters, Executive Director of
Federal Programs/Elementary Ed
Susan Cox, Director of Nutrition
Cody Thompson, Director of Operations
Dee Benson, Director of Technology
Michelle Chapple, CFO
Elisha Jahnke, Minutes Clerk
Kary Jarred, Deputy Minutes Clerk**

- 1. The meeting was called to order by President Pierson.**
- 2. Members Chris Schroder, Ron Plagg, Jennifer Bennett-Johnson, Gina Davis, Travis Sallee, Tina Smedley were present for roll call.**
- 3. A quorum was established.**
- 4. President Pierson asked everyone present to stand and join her in the Pledge of Allegiance.**
- 5. President Pierson asked everyone present to join her in a Moment of Silence.**
- 6. Student Recognition announcement was moved to January Board Meeting due to a family illness.**
- 7A. President Pierson asked the Superintendent if there were any citizens registered to speak to the Board.**

Superintendent Simpson stated there was one citizen registered to speak to the Board.

Chiara Porter spoke to the board regarding the Junior High soccer program.

- 7B. President Pierson asked the Superintendent if there were any comments to the Board by Board members.

Superintendent Simpson stated there were none.

8. Superintendent Simpson reported on the following:

The board seats up for election this year are seats #2 and #6. Mr. Plagg and Ms. Davis currently hold those seats. Both filed for re-election and did not draw an opponent. That means an election is not necessary this year. Congratulations to both board members.

The winter band concert was last Thursday night. It was held in the High School gym with students having a limited number of tickets. Families sat together as a unit and social distanced from each other following our indoor COVID protocols. The vocal concert is tomorrow night at First Christian Church. Similar to the band concert, there will be different sessions with an intermission where the venue will be cleared of spectators. You must be registered to attend this event in person but like the band concert, it will be livestreamed.

The Total Wellness testing hub continues to see around 30 people per day. They will be open over the break on December 21 – 23rd and December 28 – 30th as families may need to be tested during that time.

We are asking families to let us know if they have a positive case over the break so we can contact trace if it was within the timeframe of contact before the Winter break began or if it is close to the beginning of the Spring semester so we can prepare assignments for the student if they are in quarantine or isolation. Families are asked to email covid19@guthrie.net to communicate with us during the break.

Winter break will begin on Saturday, December 19th and school will resume on Monday, January 4th.

9. President Pierson called for action on the Consent Agenda.

A motion was made by Schroder and seconded by Plagg to approve the Minutes of regular meeting held on November 9, 2020.

The motion carried with 5 ayes and 2 abstentions.

A motion was made by Smedley and seconded by Bennett-Johnson to approve the Minutes of special board meeting held on November 14, 2020.

The motion carried with 4 ayes and 3 abstentions.

A motion was made by Davis and seconded by Bennett-Johnson to approve the Consent Agenda.

The motion carried with 7 ayes and 0 nays.

10A. President Pierson called for the presentation of the 2020-2021 audit by Putnam and Company, LLC by Jerry Putnum.

Discussion followed.

No action was taken.

10B. President Pierson called for the recommendation, consideration upon the Termination of Lease Agreement with NorthChurch, Inc.

A motion was made by Plagg and seconded by Smedley to approve the Termination of Lease Agreement with NorthChurch, Inc.

The motion carried with 7 ayes and 0 nays.

10C. President Pierson called for the recommendation, consideration and action upon 2020-2021 Revised Appropriations of State Aid for General Fund (form 307)

A motion was made by Davis and seconded by Smedley to approve the 2020-2021 Revised Appropriations of State Aid for General Fund (form 307)

The motion carried with 7 ayes and 0 nays.

10D. President Pierson called for the recommendation, consideration and action upon appointment of Bill Hodges, Doug Ogle and Michelle Chapple as designated representatives of the Board of Education to conduct employee negotiations for the 2021-2022 school year

A motion was made by Smedley and seconded by Schroder to approve the appointment of Bill Hodges, Doug Ogle and Michelle Chapple as designated representatives of the Board of Education to conduct employee negotiations for the 2021-2022 school year.

The motion carried with 7 ayes and 0 nays.

10E. President Pierson called for the recommendation, consideration and action upon the EduSkills, LLC agreement for cloud-based software and consulting for 2021

A motion was made by Sallee and seconded by Plagg to approve the agreement with EduSkills, LLC agreement for cloud-based software and consulting for 2021.

The motion carried with 7 ayes and 0 nays.

10F. President Pierson called for the recommendation, consideration and action upon revision to District Policy: GPS COVID-19 Protocols

Discussion followed.

A motion was made by Smedley and seconded by Schroder to approve the revision to the District Policy: GPS COVID-19 Protocols.

The motion carried with 7 ayes and 0 nays.

- 10G. President Pierson called for the recommendation, consideration and action upon amendment to renew agreement with Clearwater Enterprise for the purchase of third-party natural gas for 2021-2022**

Discussion followed.

A motion was made by Davis and seconded by Sallee to approve renewal of the agreement with Clearwater Enterprise for the purchase of third-party natural gas for 2021-2022.

The motion carried with 7 ayes and 0 nays.

- 10H. President Pierson called for the recommendation, consideration and action upon research and data security FAFSA agreement**

Discussion followed.

A motion was made by Plagg and seconded by Sallee to approve the research and data security FAFSA agreement.

The motion carried with 7 ayes and 0 nays.

- 10I. President Pierson called for the recommendation, consideration and action upon adding High School Slow Pitch Softball to the list of Extracurricular Activities offered at Guthrie High School**

Discussion Followed.

A motion was made by Schroder and seconded by Davis to approve adding High School Slow Pitch Softball to the list of Extracurricular Activities offered at Guthrie High School.

The motion carried with 7 ayes and 0 nays.

- 10J. President Pierson called for the recommendation, consideration and action upon adding Junior High Soccer to the list of Extracurricular Activities offered at Guthrie Junior High School**

Discussion Followed.

A motion was made by Schroder and seconded by Bennett-Johnson to approve adding Junior High Soccer to the list of Extracurricular Activities offered at Guthrie Junior High School.

The motion carried with 7 ayes and 0 nays.

- 10K. President Pierson called for the recommendation, consideration and action upon 2020-2021 Support Personnel Handbook modification to page 10 of the Support Pay Grade Schedule

A motion was made by Smedley and seconded by Sallee to approve the 2020-2021 Support Personnel Handbook modification to page 10 of the Support Pay Grade Schedule.

The motion carried with 7 ayes and 0 nays.

11. 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, discussion of extra-duty assignments as listed for 2020-2021, discussion of employment of temporary contract teachers as listed for the second semester of the 2020-2021 school year, and periodic annual evaluation and terms of employment of Dr. Michael Simpson, Superintendent of Schools, 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 and 7
- A. Vote to go into executive session
 - B. Acknowledge Board's return to open session
 - C. Statement of minutes of executive session

- 11A. A motion was made by Plagg and seconded by Sallee to go into executive session.

The motion carried with 7 ayes and 0 nays. Executive session began at 7:08p.m.

- 11B. President Pierson acknowledged the Boards return to open session at 8:33p.m.

- 11C. President Pierson stated that in executive session, no votes were taken.

12. President Pierson called for a vote on action as set out on the Personnel Reports.

The motion was made by Plagg and seconded by Davis to approve the Personnel Report.

The motion carried with 7 ayes and 0 nays.

13. President Pierson called for a vote for the recommendation of extra-duty assignments for 2020-2021.

The motion was made by Smedley and seconded by Bennett-Johnson to approve the recommendations of extra-duty assignments for 2020-2021.

The motion carried with 7 ayes and 0 nays.

14. President Pierson called for a vote for the recommendation to employ temporary teachers for the second semester of the 2020-2021 school year

The motion was made by Smedley and seconded by Davis to approve the recommendations to employ temporary teachers for the second semester of the 2020-2021 school year.

The motion carried with 7 ayes and 0 nays.

15. President Pierson called for a vote for the recommendation to employ as probationary contract teacher for the second semester of the 2020-2021 school year

The motion was made by Smedley and seconded by Sallee to approve the recommendations to employ as probationary contract teacher for the second semester of the 2020-2021 school year.

The motion carried with 7 ayes and 0 nays.

16. President Pierson asked if there were any resignations offered since the posting of the agenda.

Dr. Simpson stated there was one for Shirley Payne.

The motion was made by Davis and seconded by Sallee to approve the resignation of Shirley Payne.

The motion carried with 7 ayes and 0 nays.

17. President Pierson asked 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.

Dr. Simpson stated there was no new business.

18. President Pierson called for the meeting to be adjourned.

A motion was made by Plagg and seconded by Smedley to adjourn.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:48p.m.


Elisha Jahnke, Minutes Clerk


S. Janna Pierson, Board President

APPROVED

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