

**GUTHRIE PUBLIC SCHOOLS
BOARD MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING
SEPTEMBER 9, 2024**

MINUTES OF THE GUTHRIE PUBLIC SCHOOL BOARD OF EDUCATION REGULAR MEETING HELD AT 6:30 P.M. IN THE ADMINISTRATION BUILDING, 802 E. VILAS GUTHRIE, OKLAHOMA ON SEPTEMBER 9, 2024.

Board Members Present: Gail Davis, Tina Smedley, Matt Girard, Ben Huskey, S. Janna Pierson, Ron Plagg and Chris Schroder

District Level School Officials Present: Dr. Mike Simpson, Superintendent
Carmen Walters, Assistant Superintendent
John Hancock, Executive Director of Personnel and Secondary Ed.
Dr. Michelle Chapple, CFO
Kaitlin Smith, Director of Special Services
Cody Thompson, Director of Operations

- 1. The meeting was called to order by President Schroder at 6:30 p.m.**
- 2. Members Gail Davis, Matt Girard, Tina Smedley, Ben Huskey, Ron Plagg, S. Janna Pierson and Chris Schroder were present for roll call.**
- 3. A quorum was established.**
- 4. President Schroder asked everyone to stand and join him in the Pledge of Allegiance.**
- 5. President Schroder asked everyone to join him in a Moment of Silence.**
- 6. President Schroder called for Presentation of Employee and Student of the Month recognition.**
Mr. John Hancock gave a presentation of the Employees and Student of the Months
The September 2024 Support Employee of the Month was not available for picture so we will celebrate them next month. September Certified Employee of the Month was Sherri Stevenson and she was nominated by Jeanne Ambriz. No students were nominated for this month.
- 7A. President Schroder asked the Superintendent if there were any citizens registered to speak to the Board.**
Superintendent Simpson stated there was no speaker registered to speak to the Board.
- 7B. President Schroder called for any comments to the Board by Board Members.**

There were no comments to the Board by Board Members.

8. President Schroder called for Superintendent's Reports:

Superintendent Simpson reported on the following:

This has been a very smooth start to the school year. September is National School Attendance Month. We want all families to be aware of the importance of school attendance in the learning process of their children.

We currently have 3518 students enrolled in the district which is 12 more than last year 63 more than we had at this time two years ago. We are also expecting some new enrollees that have been accepted on transfers into the district.

The OSSBA has a Region 6 meeting scheduled for Thursday, September 26th at the OSSBA Conference Center. If you would like to attend, please let Samantha know.

I certainly want to thank all GPS voters for their support in our recent \$45 million bond election. You have at your seat some statistics from the election and some historical data.

9. Cotteral Elementary Construction Update

Lane McMillian with Crossland Construction gave a newsletter containing updates of their progress on Cotteral Elementary.

10. A presentation of Guthrie Public Schools annual 7th-12th grade dropout report and college remediation report for 2022-2023 by Mr. John Hancock, Executive Director of Personnel and Secondary Education.

11. President Schroder called for action on the Consent Agenda

- A. Minutes of regular meeting held on August 12, 2024**
- B. Treasurer's Report**
- C. Activity Fund Fundraisers as per attached list**
- D. Activity Fund Transfer Request**
- E. Fuel bid as recommended by bid committee**
- F. Encumbrances for General Fund #'s 377-537, Building Fund #'s 141-193 and listed change orders and Activity Fund Reports- the full register is available online**
- G. Declare listed items as surplus.**
- H. Out of State Trip Request- Kyle Brede, Cameron Campbell and students, Wichita "Air Capital" Raider Meet, Wichita, KS, 10/12/2024**
- I. Out of State Trip Requests- Dr. Simpson, School Research Nexus Elite Symposium, Orange County, CA, 10/15/2024-10/18/2024**
- J. Out of State Trip Request- Dusty Throckmorton, National FFA Convention, Indianapolis, IN, 10/21/2024-10/26/2024**
- K. Out of State Trip Request- Clay Drake, Dusty Oldenburg and students, National FFA Convention, Indianapolis, IN, 10/22/2024-10/26/2024.**

- L. Out of State Trip Request- Clay Drake, Dusty Oldenburg and students, National Livestock Judging Contest for North America Livestock Exposition, Louisville, KY, 11/17/2024-11/20/2024**
- M. Transportation request from NorthChurch Guthrie for September 25, 2024 to and from NorthChurch OKC in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma for 3 buses.**
- N. Transportation request from First Southern Baptist Church for October 18-19 to and from Falls Creek in Davis, Oklahoma.**
- O. District Policy**
 - 1. E-49 Released Time Course**
 - 2. G-2 Voluntary Prayer**

A motion was made by Davis and seconded by Girard to approve the Consent Agenda.

The motion carried with 7 ayes and 0 nays.

- 12A. President Schroder called for recommendation, consideration and action upon Gifted and Talented Committee.**

A motion was made by Pierson and seconded by Smedley to approve the Gifted and Talented Committee.

The motion carried with 7 ayes and 0 nays.

- 12B. President Schroder called for recommendation, consideration and action upon Professional Development Committee for 2024-2025**

A motion was made by Davis and seconded by Girard to approve the Professional Development Committee for 2024-2025.

The motion carried with 7 ayes and 0 nays.

- 12C. President Schroder called for recommendation, consideration and action upon choosing the ACT as the District's High School Academic Assessment for the 2024-2025 school year.**

A motion was made by Girard and seconded by Davis to approve the ACT as the District's High School Academic Assessment for the 2024-2025 school year.

The motion carried with 7 ayes and 0 nays.

- 12D. President Schroder called for recommendation, consideration and action to approve the transcription of math and science credit options taught at Meridian Technology Center.**

A motion was made by Smedley and seconded by Pierson to approve the transcription of math and science credit options taught at Meridian Technology Center.

The motion carried with 7 ayes and 0 nays.

- 12E. President Schroder called for recommendation, consideration and action upon Guthrie Jr. High Health Fair for 7th grade students on October 11, 2024.**

A motion was made by Plagg and seconded by Davis to approve the Guthrie Jr. High Health Fair for 7th grade students on October 11, 2024.

The motion carried with 7 ayes and 0 nays.

- 12F. President Schroder called for recommendation, consideration, and action upon 2024-2025 Estimate of Needs as prepared by Putnam & Company, PLLC and 2024-2025 Financial Statement and the authority to publish the same.**

Dr. Simpson stated the we haven't had Putnam & Company, PLLC for years it is S & B CPA and Associates, PLCC.

A motion was made by Smedley and seconded by Davis to approve the 2024-2025 Estimate of Needs as prepared by S & B CPA and Associates, PLCC and 2024-2025 Financial Statement and the authority to publish the same.

The motion carried with 7 ayes and 0 nays.

- 12G. President Schroder called for recommendation, consideration and action upon agreement between City of Guthrie and Guthrie Public Schools for Information Technology Services.**

A motion was made by Plagg and seconded by Girard to approve agreement between City of Guthrie and Guthrie Public Schools for Information Technology Services.

The motion carried with 7 ayes and 0 nays.

- 12H. President Schroder called for recommendation, consideration and action upon Professional Service Agreement with Susan Murray to provide Special Education Support Services for 2024-2025.**

A motion was made by Davis and seconded by Girard to approve the Professional Service Agreement with Susan Murray to provide Special Education Support Services for 2024-2025.

The motion carried with 7 ayes and 0 nays.

- 12I. President Schroder called for recommendation, consideration and action upon Antenna License Agreement between Guthrie Public Schools and Springs Christian Radio, Inc.**

Dr. Simpson stated we did not receive a signed copy from Springs Christian Radio, Inc. and suggested the agreement be pulled to maybe visit next month.

- 12J. President Schroder called for recommendation, consideration, and action with The Stacy Group, Inc. for architectural services for 2024-2025.**

A motion was made by Girard and seconded by Davis to approve The Stacy Group, Inc. for architectural services for 2024-2025.

The motion carried with 7 ayes and 0 nays.

- 12K. President Schroder called for recommendation, consideration and action to ratify the agreement with Cenergistic, LLC for energy management assessment.**

A motion was made by Pierson and seconded by Smedley to approve to ratify the agreement with Cenergistic, LLC for energy management assessment.

The motion carried with 7 ayes and 0 nays.

- 12L. President Schroder called for recommendation, consideration and action on District Policy F-5 Transfers Exhibit A.**

A motion was made by Plagg and seconded by Smedley to approve the District Policy F-5 Transfers Exhibit A.

The motion carried with 7 ayes and 0 nays.

- 13. President Schroder 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, extra-duty assignments as listed for 2024-2025 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.**

- 13A. A motion was made by Smedley and seconded by Pierson to go into executive session.**

The motion carried with 7 ayes and 0 nays. Executive session began at 7:04 p.m.

- 13B. President Schroder acknowledged the Board's return to open session at 7:52 p.m.**

- 13C. President Schroder state that in executive session only those items listed in Agenda 13 were discussed and no votes were taken.**

- 14. President Schroder called for vote on action as set out on the Personnel Reports.**

A motion was made by Plagg and seconded by Pierson to approve the Personnel Reports.

The motion carried with 7 ayes and 0 nays.

- 15. President Schroder called for action upon recommendation of extra-duty assignments for 2024-2025.**

A motion was made by Davis and seconded by Girard to approve extra-duty assignments for 2024-2025.

The motion carried with 7 ayes and 0 nays.

15. President Schroder called for recommendation, consideration and action to accept any resignations offered since the posting of the agenda.

Superintendent Simpson stated there was none.

16. President Schroder 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 none.

17. President Schroder called for the meeting to be adjourned.

A motion was made by Smedley and seconded by Girard to adjourn the meeting.

The motion carried with 7 ayes and 0 nays.

The meeting adjourned at 7:54 p.m.



Samantha Stewart, Minutes Clerk




Chris Schroder, President

The agenda was posted at the Guthrie Public School's Administrative Office, 802 E. Vilas, Guthrie, OK on September 6, 2024 at 12:15 p.m., in accordance with the Open Meeting Law and notice of this regular meeting was given to the Logan County Clerk, prior to December 15, 2023. The agenda is also on our website.

Samantha Stewart

Board Clerk and Minutes Clerk

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