

**GUTHRIE PUBLIC SCHOOLS
BOARD MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING
DECEMBER 14, 2015**

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 DECEMBER 14, 2015

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

Board Member Absent: Terry Pennington

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
Dee Benson, Director of Technology
Jean Watts, Deputy Minutes Clerk

1. The meeting was called to order by Vice President Davis.
2. Members Jennifer Bennett-Johnson, Gail Davis, Janna Pierson, Travis Sallee, Tina Smedley, and Sharon Watts were present for roll call.
3. A quorum was established.
4. Vice President Davis asked everyone present to stand and join her in the Pledge of Allegiance.
5. Vice President Davis called for presentation of Certified and Support Employee of the Month.

Mr. Doug Ogle, Executive Director of Personnel and Secondary Education, announced the award winners for November: Mr. Ron Gillett, 7th grade Reading teacher, as certified employee of the month and Ms. Michele Hamby, GHS Financial Secretary, as support employee of the month. Nomination letters were read by the staff member who submitted the nominations: Mrs. Susan Birdwell, Transportation Secretary, for Mr. Gillett and Mr. Marty Jones, GHS Ag Instructor, for Ms. Hamby.

Mr. Ogle presented the award winners a plaque and a \$25.00 Sonic Gift Card donated by the Guthrie Lions Club.

- 6A. Vice President Davis 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. Vice President Davis called for any comments to the Board by Board members.**

There were no comments to the Board by Board members.

- 7. Vice President Davis called for the Superintendent's Reports.**

Superintendent Simpson reported on the following:

He read a thank you card received from the family of Hudson Haws. Hudson is a Bethany High School student that was paralyzed during a November football game. GPS recently took up an offering during a GHS football game and presented it to that family.

Reported that our new roofs are virtually complete on all three buildings. The roofs were completed ahead of schedule and under budget. He gave thanks to Graco Roofing from Edmond for the work done.

Delta Dental of Oklahoma has offered free tooth sealants to our 2nd and 6th graders. Upon receipt of completed approved permission slips, students will receive services at his or her site free of charge.

Reminded everyone of the Christmas Band Concert tonight and the Christmas Choir Concert tomorrow both of which will be held at 7:00 p.m. at the Masonic Temple.

Spoke of recent legislation passed on the national level. Every Student Succeeds Act will replace No Child Left Behind. This Act will not be effective until the 2017-2018 school year. He spoke about the impact of this Act on School Districts.

- 8. Vice President Davis called for action on the Consent Agenda.**

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

The motion carried with 6 ayes and 0 nays.

- 9A. Vice President Davis called for the presentation of the 2014-2015 audit by Putnam and Company, LLC.**

Superintendent Simpson introduced Mr. Jerry Putnam of Putnam and Company, LLC who presented the 2014-2015 audit. Mr. Putnam stated the recommendations are listed no matter how insignificant and that we had very few findings.

Discussion followed.

- 9B. Vice President Davis called for recommendation, consideration and action upon appointment of Bill Hodges, Dennis Schulz and Doug Ogle as designated representatives of the Board of Education to conduct employee negotiations for the 2016-2017 school year.

A motion was made by Watts and seconded by Smedley to approve the appointment of Bill Hodges, Dennis Schulz and Doug Ogle as designated representatives of the Board of Education to conduct employee negotiations for the 2016-2017 school year.

The motion carried with 6 ayes and 0 nays.

10. Vice President Davis 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, discussion of employment of temporary contract teachers as listed on Schedule A for the second semester of the 2015-2016 school year, discussion of extra-duty assignments for 2015-2016 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.

- 10A. A motion was made by Pierson and seconded by Sallee to go into executive session.

The motion carried with 6 ayes and 0 nays. Executive session began at 7:23 p.m.

- 10B. Vice President Davis acknowledged the Board's return to open session at 7:41 p.m.

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

11. Vice President Davis called for a vote on action as set out on the Personnel Reports.

A motion was made by Pierson 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. Vice President Davis called for action upon recommendation to employ as temporary teachers for the second semester of the 2015-2016 school year the individuals listed on Schedule A of this agenda.

A motion was made by Watts and seconded by Sallee to approve employment as temporary teachers for the second semester of the 2015-2016 school year the individuals listed on Schedule A of this agenda.

The motion passed with 6 ayes and 0 nays.

13. Vice President Davis called for action upon recommendation of extra-duty assignments as listed for 2015-2016.

A motion was made by Sallee and seconded by Watts to approve extra-duty assignments as listed for 2015-2016.

The motion carried with 6 ayes and 0 nays.

14. Vice President Davis called for recommendation, consideration and action to accept any resignations offered since the posting of the agenda.

Superintendent Simpson stated there were no resignations offered since the posting of the agenda.

15. Vice President Davis 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.


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

The motion carried with 6 ayes and 0 nays.

The meeting adjourned at 7:43 p.m.



Jana Frey, Minutes Clerk



Gail Davis, Acting President