

**GUTHRIE PUBLIC SCHOOLS
BOARD MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING
JANUARY 14, 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 JANUARY 14, 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
Kary Jarred, Deputy Minutes Clerk
John Moyer, District Legal Counsel**

- 1. The meeting was called to order by President Sallee.**
- 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 Sallee asked everyone present to stand and join him in the Pledge of Allegiance.**
- 5. President Sallee asked everyone present to join him in a Moment of Silence.**
- 6. President Sallee called for Student Recognition.**

Dr. Simpson introduced Blake Wimsey from Foundation Insurance. Mr. Wimsey introduced the December Student of the Month, Peyton Hayes. Mr. Wimsey read the nomination letter submitted by Ms. Shurlyn Maltz, teacher at Guthrie Junior High School. Mr. Wimsey presented Peyton with a \$65 Stacy's Place gift card.

- 7A. President Sallee 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.

- 7B. President Sallee called for any comments to the Board by Board members.**

There were no comments to the Board by Board members.

- 8. President Sallee called for the Superintendent's Reports.**

Superintendent Simpson reported on the following:

Recognized our School Board Members and announced that January is Board of Education Recognition Month. Each board member was given a small gift, a cupcake and a certificate from the OSSBA.

Notified board members that their education credits were printed on a spreadsheet at their seat.

Announced that GPS received our mid-term adjustment numbers for state aid for this year. Our state aid was cut by just under \$250,000. The cut can be traced to tremendous growth in local revenue and an uptick in gross production proceeds we are receiving. Overall, the district is currently in a good financial position going forward for this year.

Announced that we are planning and open house for Charter Oak Elementary for Sunday, January 27th from 2:00-3:30 p.m. It will be a come and go event with a brief ceremony at the beginning. All community members are welcome to attend.

Updated the board in regards to playground equipment being installed at Charter Oak Elementary thanks to the previously announced \$25,000 grant secured from State Farm Insurance and a grant of \$1,400 from Central Electric Cooperative.

Announced that Charter Oak Elementary was the recipient of a TSET Grant for \$30,000 which will go towards playground equipment. Gave special thanks to Courtney McLemore with the Logan County Health Department along with Carmen Walters, Michelle Chapple and Jeff Ball for their work in securing this grant. A check presentation is scheduled for Friday, January 18th during the Bluejay basketball game versus Piedmont. Because we secured this grant, other sites are now also eligible to apply and some of our sites are working on those applications. It has been the history of Guthrie schools to have our site playgrounds funded by PTO's, grants, etc.

- 9. President Sallee called for action on the Consent Agenda.**

President Sallee requested that Item 9A, minutes of regular meeting held on December 10, 2018, be removed from the Consent Agenda for consideration.

A motion was made by Sallee and seconded by Pierson to approve the Consent Agenda excluding Item 9A.

The motion carried with 7 ayes and 0 nays.

A motion was made by Smedley and seconded by Watts to approve Item 9A, minutes of regular meeting held on December 10, 2018.

The motion carried with 6 ayes and 1 abstention-Member Sallee abstaining.

- 10A. President Sallee called for discussion, consideration and possible action to award the contract for the Guthrie High School HVAC Project.**

Superintendent Simpson recommended we accept the lowest bid submitted by Innovative Mechanical for the base bid, first alternate and second alternate for a total of \$1,680,000.

A motion was made by Pierson and seconded by Bennett-Johnson to award the contract to Innovative Mechanical for the base bid, first alternate and second alternate for the Guthrie High School HVAC Project.

The motion carried with 7 ayes and 0 nays.

- 10B. President Sallee called for discussion, consideration and possible action to award the contract for the Intercom/Clocks at Guthrie Upper Elementary School.**

Superintendent Simpson recommended we accept the lowest bid submitted by Endex for the base bid and clock option for a total of \$78,300.

A motion was made by Watts and seconded by Smedley to award the contract to Endex for the base bid and clock option for the Intercom/Clocks at Guthrie Upper Elementary School.

The motion carried with 7 ayes and 0 nays.

- 10C. President Sallee called for recommendation, consideration and action upon proposed school calendar for 2019-2020.**

Superintendent Simpson recommended approving Calendar A for the 2019-2020 school year.

A motion was made by Davis and seconded by Watts to approve Calendar A for the 2019-2020 school year.

Discussion followed after the motion.

The motion carried with 7 ayes and 0 nays.

10D. President Sallee called for recommendation, consideration and action upon new District Policy:

- *C-15A Service Animals*

John Moyer, District Legal Counsel, gave information regarding this proposed policy. Discussion followed.

A motion was made by Smedley and seconded by Pierson to approve the new District Policy:

- *C-15A Service Animals*

The motion carried with 7 ayes and 0 nays.

10E. President Sallee called for recommendation, consideration and action upon new District Policy:

- *G-14 Advertising*

Discussion followed.

A motion was made by Smedley and seconded by Watts to approve the new District Policy:

- *G-14 Advertising*

The motion carried with 7 ayes and 0 nays.

10F. President Sallee called for recommendation, consideration and action upon agreement with Eduskills LLC for cloud-based software and consulting for 2019.

Discussion followed.

A motion was made by Watts and seconded by Bennett-Johnson to approve agreement with Eduskills LLC for cloud-based software and consulting for 2019.

The motion carried with 7 ayes and 0 nays.

10G. President Sallee called for recommendation, consideration and action upon revised Support Employee Handbook for 2018-2019.

A motion was made by Plagg and seconded by Watts to approve the revised Support Employee Handbook for 2018-2019.

The motion carried with 7 ayes and 0 nays.

- 10H. President Sallee called for discussion on future bond projects.**

Discussion followed. Superintendent Simpson announced we will have a Special Board Meeting on Thursday, January 24th, 2019 at 6:30 p.m.

- 11. President Sallee 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, 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.**

- 11A. A motion was made by Watts and seconded by Bennett-Johnson to go into executive session.**

The motion carried with 7 ayes and 0 nays. Executive session began at 7:59 p.m. District Legal Counsel, Mr. John Moyer, also participated in Executive Session.

- 11B. President Sallee acknowledged the Board's return to open session at 8:36 p.m.**

- 11C. President Sallee stated that in executive session only those items listed in Agenda Item 11 were discussed and no votes were taken.**

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

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

The motion carried with 7 ayes and 0 nays.

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

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


- 14. President Sallee 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 Smedley and seconded by Watts to adjourn the meeting.

The motion carried with 7 ayes and 0 nays.

The meeting adjourned at 8:38 p.m.



Jana Frey, Minutes Clerk



Travis Sallee, Board President

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