

**GUTHRIE PUBLIC SCHOOLS
BOARD MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING
DECEMBER 9, 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 DECEMBER 9, 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.**
- 6. President Smedley called for Student Recognition.**

Dr. Simpson introduced Blake Wimsey from Foundation Insurance. Makayla Braxton was introduced as the November Student of the Month. She was nominated by Faver Alternative School Teacher, Kim Barrett. Mr. Wimsey presented Makayla with a \$60 Stacey's Place gift card.

- 7. President Smedley called for presentation by Eskridge Chevrolet.**

Justin Pence from Eskridge Chevrolet presented a \$5000 check to Dani Watson, Principal of Central Elementary School. The money is intended to be put towards the playground revamp fund at Central.

8A. President Smedley 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.

8B. President Smedley called for any comments to the Board by Board members.

Board Member Sharon Watts announced she would not be running for re-election. She thanked everyone for going above and beyond for the District.

Board President Tina Smedley thanked Sharon Watts for her 8 years of service to Guthrie Public Schools.

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

Superintendent Simpson reported on the following:

Gave an update on the Board of Education filings. Ms. Watts has elected not to seek re-election for seat #1. Chris Schroder was the only person to file for that seat. He will be sworn in following the election. There will be an election for seat #7 currently held by Travis Sallee. Mr. Sallee will face Bradley Havenar for seat #7. The election will be held on April 7th.

Announced the site teachers of the year:

Melanie Ball-3rd grade teacher at Cottoral Elementary

Sarah Lausen-3rd grade teacher at Charter Oak Elementary

Calee Lyons-1st grade teacher at Fogarty Elementary

Karla Pitts-1st grade teacher at Central Elementary

Samantha Morgan-6th grade math teacher at GUES

Scott Peterman-Technology Engineering teacher at GJHS

Kyri Hester-English teacher at GHS

Tyler Young-Computer Applications teacher at GHS

Reported that Central Elementary was awarded a TSET grant for \$7,500 which will go towards playground improvements.

Explained a new program called "Handle With Care" that is in collaboration with Guthrie Police Department and Logan County Sherriff's Department. Should law enforcement encounter a situation with one of our students who has been through some type of trauma, they will then contact the District to handle that child with care for the next few hours or days to come. That information will then be shared with the principal, teacher and counselor in the building.

GPS will be using the RAVE App beginning in January which immediately locates a problem in a building and will notify law enforcement if need be. This app uses geo-

fencing and can lock down a building if need be as well. The State Department purchased this app for state-wide use for schools.

The winter band concert is Thursday night and the vocal concert is next Tuesday. Both concerts begin at 7:00 p.m. and will be held at the Masonic Temple.

Winter break will begin on Monday, December 23rd and school will resume on Monday, January 6th.

10. President Smedley called for presentation of 2018-2019 Site Report Cards by Ms. Carmen Walters, Executive Director and Mr. Doug Ogle, Assistant Superintendent.

Ms. Walters and Mr. Ogle presented the 2018-2019 Site Report Cards to the Board of Education.

Discussion followed.

11. President Smedley called for action on the Consent Agenda.

A motion was made by Watts and seconded by Pierson to approve the Consent Agenda excluding item 11A, minutes of regular meeting held on November 11, 2019.

The motion carried with 7 ayes and 0 nays.

A motion was made by Pierson and seconded by Plagg to approve Item 11A, minutes of regular meeting held on November 11, 2019.

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

- 12A. President Smedley called for presentation of 2018-2019 audit by Putnam and Company, LLC.

Superintendent Simpson called for Mr. Jerry Putnam from Putnam and Company, LLC, who presented the 2018-2019 audit. The audit contains an executive summary which brings out highlights of the report. It is not in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles but it is in accordance with everything the State Department of Education requires. The report does include fixed assets. Mr. Putnam discussed the highlights of the audit and the findings it presented.

- 12B. President Smedley called for discussion, consideration and vote to accept a Mineral Deed conveying a mineral interest in the W/2 of the NE/4 of Section 28, T15N, R1W, Logan County, Oklahoma from Gail K. Gossett, Trustee of the Ray S. Gossett Irrevocable Family Trust.

A motion was made by Watts and seconded by Sallee to accept a Mineral Deed conveying a mineral interest in the W/2 of the NE/4 of Section 28, T15N, R1W, Logan County, Oklahoma from Gail K. Gossett, Trustee of the Ray S. Gossett Irrevocable Family Trust.

The motion carried with 7 ayes and 0 nays.

- 12C. President Smedley called for 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 2020-2021 school year.**

A motion was made by Pierson and seconded by Watts to approve appointment of Bill Hodges, Doug Ogle and Michelle Chapple as designated representatives of the Board of Education to conduct employee negotiations for the 2020-2021 school year.

The motion carried with 7 ayes and 0 nays.

- 12D. President Smedley called for recommendation, consideration and action on agreement with Municipal Finance Services, Inc. for Continuing Disclosure Reporting Assistance Agreement**

A motion was made by Watts and seconded by Davis to approve agreement with Municipal Finance Services, Inc. for Continuing Disclosure Reporting Assistance Agreement

The motion carried with 7 ayes and 0 nays.

- 12E. President Smedley called for recommendation, consideration and action upon change order #2 to Innovative Mechanical LLC on HS HVAC Replacement.**

A motion was made by Plagg and seconded by Watts to approve change order #2 to Innovative Mechanical LLC on HS HVAC Replacement.

The motion carried with 7 ayes and 0 nays.

- 13. 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, discussion of extra-duty assignments for 2019-2020, discussion of employment of temporary contract teachers as listed on Schedule A for the second semester of the 2019-2020 school year, discussion of employment of probationary contract teacher as listed on Schedule B for the second semester of the 2019-2020 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.**

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

The motion carried with 7 ayes and 0 nays. Executive session began at 7:57 p.m.

13B. President Smedley acknowledged the Board's return to open session at 9:40 p.m.

13C. President Smedley stated that in executive session only those items listed in Agenda Item 13 were discussed and no votes were taken.

14. 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.

15. President Smedley called for action upon recommendation of extra-duty assignments as listed for 2019-2020.

A motion was made by Davis and seconded by Bennett-Johnson to approve extra-duty assignments as listed for 2019-2020.

The motion carried with 7 ayes and 0 nays.

16. President Smedley called for action upon recommendation to employ as temporary teachers for the second semester of the 2019-2020 school year the individuals listed on Schedule A of this agenda.

A motion was made by Watts and seconded by Davis to employ as temporary teachers for the second semester of the 2019-2020 school year the individuals listed on Schedule A of this agenda.

The motion carried with 7 ayes and 0 nays.

17. President Smedley called for action upon recommendation to employ as probationary contract teacher for the second semester of the 2019-2020 school year the individual listed on Schedule B of this agenda.

A motion was made by Plagg and seconded by Davis to employ as probationary contract teacher for the second semester of the 2019-2020 school year the individual listed on Schedule B of this agenda.

The motion carried with 7 ayes and 0 nays.

18. President Smedley 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.

19. 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.

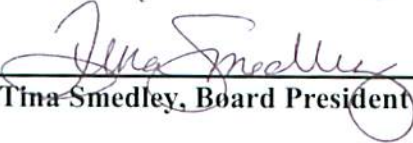
20. A motion was made by Watts and seconded by Davis to adjourn the meeting.

The motion carried with 7 ayes and 0 nays.

The meeting adjourned at 9:43 p.m.



Jana Frey, Minutes Clerk



Tina Smedley, Board President

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