

**GUTHRIE PUBLIC SCHOOLS  
BOARD MINUTES  
REGULAR MEETING  
JUNE 8, 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 JUNE 8, 2015**

**Board Members Present:**

**Jennifer Bennett-Johnson, Gail Davis, Janna Pierson, Travis Sallee, Tina Smedley, Sharon Watts and 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  
Jerry Gammill, Director of Facilities  
Dee Benson, Director of Technology  
Steve Cordell, Director of Transportation  
Jean Watts, Deputy Minutes Clerk**

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

- 5B. President Pennington called for any comments to the Board by Board members.**

**President Pennington thanked the employees of GPS for taking the high road during the election and encouraged them and the Board to set that standard going forward.**

**6. President Pennington called for the Superintendent's Reports.**

**Superintendent Simpson reported on the following:**

**Thanked the voters for their efforts on May 12<sup>th</sup> giving the district a vote a confidence that isn't taken lightly. Trust has been earned but there is still work to be done.**

**Summer cleaning has begun at several sites and will continue to other sites as each building is finished.**

**The construction of the Ag Barns purchased through private donations has begun. Project bids are due June 29<sup>th</sup>. Mr. Gammill will have as much completed by the time school starts as physically possible.**

**The Bond Project Timeline is available to the community through our website. Bond updates will be available on the website as well. The timeline is an estimate and will be adjusted as conditions warrant.**

**There are currently 110-120 students, Kindergarten through 8<sup>th</sup> Grade, attending Summer School at this time. Of those, 22 students are under RSA remediation. This number is around the same amount as last year but the percentage is lower due to the larger number of students in that class.**

**Many administrators will be attending the annual CCOSA Conference later this week.**

**The appropriations bill passed with Education receiving a flat budget allocation which hasn't historically proven to provide equal funding for schools. We have less money per student due to an increase in enrollment.**

**7. President Pennington called for a presentation by the Office of Educational Quality and Accountability.**

**Mr. Robert Buswell, Director of Education Accountability, and Dr. Sherry Labyer, Executive Director for the OEQA, presented information to the Board explaining the services provided by OEQA and also answered questions asked by Board Members.**

**8. President Pennington called for any items to be removed from the Consent Agenda for discussion.**

**There were no items to be removed from the agenda for discussion.**

**A motion was made by Pierson and seconded by Bennett-Johnson to approve the Consent Agenda as presented.**

**The motion carried with 7 ayes and 0 nays.**

**9A. President Pennington called for recommendation, consideration and action upon renewal of financial advisor services agreement with Municipal Finance Services, Inc. for 2015-2016.**

**A motion was made by Sallee and seconded by Watts to approve financial advisor services agreement with Municipal Finance Services, Inc. for 2015-2016.**

**The motion carried with 7 ayes and 0 nays.**

- 9B. President Pennington called for recommendation, consideration and action upon revised MAS Accounting Software Agreement.**

**Discussion followed.**

**A motion was made by Pierson and seconded by Smedley to approve revised MAS Accounting Software Agreement.**

**The motion carried with 7 ayes and 0 nays.**

- 9C. President Pennington called for recommendation, consideration and action upon agreement with TransPar Group for transportation management services for 2015-2016.**

**Dr. Simpson announced there was an error on the commentary of the agenda. There is an annual increase of approximately \$2200 as noted on the original contract.**

**Discussion followed.**

**A motion was made by Watts and seconded by Pierson to approve the agreement with TransPar Group for transportation management services for 2015-2016.**

**The motion carried with 7 ayes and 0 nays.**

- 9D. President Pennington called for recommendation, consideration and action upon 2014-2015 Supplemental Appropriations for Child Nutrition Fund for Form 307.**

**A motion was made by Pierson and seconded by Smedley to approve the 2014-2015 Supplemental Appropriations for Child Nutrition Fund for Form 307.**

**The motion carried with 7 ayes and 0 nays.**

- 9E. President Pennington called for recommendation, consideration and action upon Temporary Appropriations for 2015-2016 for the General Fund, Building Fund, Child Nutrition Fund, Gifts and Endowments Fund and Insurance/Casualty Fund.**

**A motion was made by Smedley and seconded by Watts to approve the 2015-2016 Temporary Appropriations for the General Fund, Building Fund, Child Nutrition Fund, Gifts and Endowments Fund and Insurance/Casualty Fund.**

**The motion carried with 7 ayes and 0 nays.**

- 9F. President Pennington called for recommendation, consideration and action upon renewal with OSIG for property, general liability, fleet vehicle and errors and omissions coverage for 2015-2016.**

**A motion was made by Watts and seconded by Bennett-Johnson to approve the renewal with OSIG for property, general liability, fleet vehicle and errors and omissions coverage for 2015-2016.**

**The motion carried with 7 ayes and 0 nays.**

- 9G. President Pennington called for recommendation, consideration and action upon renewal with OSAG for workers' compensation insurance coverage for 2015-2016.**

**A motion was made by Watts and seconded by Smedley to approve the renewal with OSAG for workers' compensation insurance coverage for 2015-2016.**

**The motion carried with 7 ayes and 0 nays.**

- 9H. President Pennington called for recommendation, consideration and action upon renewal agreement with Aurora Learning Community Association (ALCA) for 2015-2016.**

**Discussion followed.**

**A motion was made by Watts and seconded by Bennett-Johnson to approve the renewal agreement with Aurora Learning Community Association (ALCA) for 2015-2016.**

**The motion carried with 7 ayes and 0 nays.**

- 9I. President Pennington called for recommendation, consideration and action upon the Elementary Student Handbook for 2015-2016 with Handbook Supplements for Central, Cotteral, Fogarty and GUES.**

**A motion was made by Watts and seconded by Smedley to approve the 2015-2016 Elementary Student Handbook with Supplements for Central, Cotteral, Fogarty and GUES.**

**The motion carried with 7 ayes and 0 nays.**

- 9J. President Pennington called for recommendation, consideration and action upon the Jr. High School Student Handbook for 2015-2016.**

**A motion was made by Watts and seconded by Davis to approve the 2015-2016 Jr. High School Student Handbook for 2015-2016.**

**The motion carried with 7 ayes and 0 nays.**

- 9K. President Pennington called for recommendation, consideration and action upon the Guthrie High School/Faver Alternative School Student Handbook for 2015-2016.**

**A motion was made by Pierson and seconded by Watts to approve the 2015-2016 Guthrie High School/Faver Alternative School Student Handbook.**

**The motion carried with 7 ayes and 0 nays.**

- 9L. President Pennington called for recommendation, consideration and action upon the Guthrie High School Course Description Handbook for 2015-2016.**

**Discussion followed.**

**A motion was made by Smedley and seconded by Watts to approve the 2015-2016 Guthrie High School Course Description Handbook for 2015-2016.**

**The motion carried with 7 ayes and 0 nays.**

- 9M. President Pennington called for recommendation, consideration and action upon renewal agreement with Ms. Teresa Ewing to provide Physical Therapy Services for 2015-2016.**

**A motion was made by Pierson and seconded by Smedley to approve the renewal agreement with Ms. Teresa Ewing to provide Physical Therapy Services for 2015-2016.**

**The motion carried with 7 ayes and 0 nays.**

- 9N. President Pennington called for recommendation, consideration and action upon contract with Ms. Christine Hayes for Speech Language Services for 2015-2016.**

**A motion was made by Watts and seconded by Pierson to approve the renewal agreement with Ms. Christine Hayes for Speech Language Services for 2015-2016.**

**The motion carried with 7 ayes and 0 nays.**

- 9O. President Pennington called for recommendation, consideration and action upon the following appointments for 2015-2016:**

- Dennis Schulz – Purchasing Agent**
- Vicki Biggs – Encumbrance Clerk**
- Jana Wanzer – Treasurer**
- Anita Paul – Assistant Treasurer**
- Jana Frey – Clerk of the Board and Minutes Clerk**
- Jean Watts – Deputy Clerk of the Board and Deputy Minutes Clerk**

**A motion was made by Watts and seconded by Davis to approve the following appointments for 2015-2016:**

- Dennis Schulz – Purchasing Agent**
- Vicki Biggs – Encumbrance Clerk**
- Jana Wanzer – Treasurer**
- Anita Paul – Assistant Treasurer**
- Jana Frey – Clerk of the Board and Minutes Clerk**
- Jean Watts – Deputy Clerk of the Board and Deputy Minutes Clerk**

**The motion carried with 7 ayes and 0 nays.**

- 9P. President Pennington called for recommendation, consideration and action upon a resolution pertaining to the district's \$2,000,000 Building Bonds, Series 2015; including fixing the amount of bonds to mature each year; fixing the time and place the bonds are to**

**be sold; approving the preliminary official statement and authorizing distribution of same; authorizing the clerk to give notice of said sale as required by law; and approving other matters related to the issuance of bonds.**

**A motion was made by Watts and seconded by Bennett-Johnson to approve a resolution pertaining to the district's \$2,000,000 Building Bonds, Series 2015; including fixing the amount of bonds to mature each year; fixing the time and place the bonds are to be sold; approving the preliminary official statement and authorizing distribution of same; authorizing the clerk to give notice of said sale as required by law; and approving other matters related to the issuance of bonds.**

**The motion carried with 7 ayes and 0 nays.**

- 9Q. President Pennington called for recommendation, consideration and action upon a contract with BOKF, NA dba Bank of Oklahoma, Tulsa, Oklahoma, to serve as registrar and paying agent on the district's \$2,000,000 Building Bonds of 2015.**

**Discussion followed.**

**A motion was made by Watts and seconded by Davis to approve a contract with BOKF, NA dba Bank of Oklahoma, Tulsa, Oklahoma, to serve as registrar and paying agent on the district's \$2,000,000 Building Bonds of 2015.**

**The motion carried with 6 ayes and 1 abstention – President Pennington abstaining.**

- 10. President Pennington 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, employment of temporary contract teachers as listed for 2015-2016, extra-duty assignments as listed for 2015-2016, and teacher negotiations for 2015-2016 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, 2 and 7.**

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

**The motion carried with 7 ayes and 0 nays. Executive session began at 8:02 p.m.**

- 10B. President Pennington acknowledged the Board's return to open session at 8:26 p.m.**

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

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

**A motion was made by Pierson and seconded by Sallee to approve action as set out on the Personnel Reports.**

**The motion carried with 7 ayes and 0 nays.**

12. **President Pennington called for a vote on action to employ temporary contract teachers as listed for 2015-2016.**

**A motion was made by Watts and seconded by Smedley to approve action to employ temporary contract teachers listed for 2015-2016.**

**The motion carried with 7 ayes and 0 nays.**

13. **President Pennington called for a vote on action of extra-duty assignments as listed for 2015-2016.**

**A motion was made by Bennett-Johnson and seconded by Watts to approve action of extra-duty assignments as listed for 2015-2016.**

**The motion carried with 7 ayes and 0 nays.**

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

**Superintendent Simpson stated he received the resignation of Ms. Joan Hagy, 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Teacher at Guthrie Junior High, effective immediately.**

**A motion was made by Pierson and seconded by Watts to accept the resignation of Ms. Joan Hagy, 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Teacher at Guthrie Junior High, effective immediately.**

**The motion carried with 7 ayes and 0 nays.**


15. **President Pennington 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.**

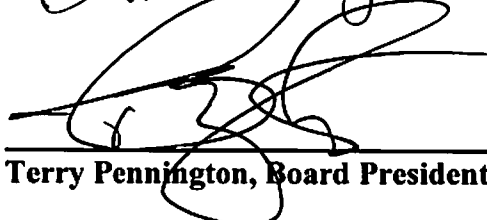
**Superintendent Simpson stated there was no new business.**

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

**The motion carried with 7 ayes and 0 nays.**

**The meeting adjourned at 8:29 p.m.**

  
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Jana Frey, Minutes Clerk

  
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Terry Pennington, Board President

**APPROVED**

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