

**GUTHRIE PUBLIC SCHOOLS
BOARD MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING
APRIL 8, 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 APRIL 8, 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

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 recommendation, consideration and vote on reorganization of the Board including:
 - A. Election of President
 - B. Election of First Vice-President
 - C. Election of Second Vice-President
 - D. Election of Board Clerk
 - E. Election of Deputy Board Clerk

A motion was made by Pierson and seconded by Watts to reorganize the Board as follows:

**President-Tina Smedley
First Vice-President-Janna Pierson
Second Vice-President-Sharon Watts
Board Clerk-Gina Davis
Deputy Board Clerk-Jennifer Bennett-Johnson**

The motion carried with 7 ayes and 0 nays.

Board Members assumed their new positions.

7. President Smedley called for Student Recognition.

Dr. Simpson introduced Blake Wimsey from Foundation Insurance. Mr. Wimsey introduced the April Student of the Month, Shelby Frost. Angie Simonton, English Teacher and Yearbook Advisor at Guthrie High School, read the nomination letter she submitted. Mr. Wimsey presented Shelby with a \$60 Stacey's Place gift card.

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.

Member Pierson congratulated President Smedley on her re-election to the School Board.

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

Superintendent Simpson reported on the following:

Announced that state testing was beginning at our sites this week.

Reported that on March 28th the Guthrie Educational Foundation went around the district presenting grants to successful applicants. There were 29 successful grants totaling close to \$25,000. Also, each Teacher of the Year received \$100 for use in their classroom.

Support Staff Appreciation Day was March 29th. The event was sponsored by the Guthrie Chamber of Commerce.

Announced that High School Prom would be held at the Dominion House on April 27th.

Channing Reams from Guthrie Upper Elementary took away top honors in the intermediate division of the International Aviation Art Contest sponsored by the Oklahoma Aeronautics Commission. She will be honored on April 11th at the Capitol by the Oklahoma State Senate.

Congratulated Tina Smedley for retaining her seat on the Board of Education.

Michelle Chapple along with some community members recently held a voter registration drive at Guthrie High School for those recently eligible to vote. 49 students were registered.

Thanked our community for showing the unwavering support in our recent bond election. Based on information available, GPS has never passed back to back bond issues.

We will hold a special board meeting on April 22nd at 8:00 a.m. to approve a bond sale on May 13th and closing at the end of June.

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

A motion was made by Davis and seconded by Sallee to approve the Consent Agenda excluding Item 10B, minutes of special board meeting held on March 15, 2019.

The motion carried with 7 ayes and 0 nays.

A motion was made by Watts and seconded by Sallee to approve Item 10B, minutes of special board meeting held on March 15, 2019.

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

11A. President Smedley called for recommendation, consideration and action to award the bid for fixed seating at Guthrie High School gymnasium.

Superintendent Simpson recommended awarding the bid for fixed seating at Guthrie High School gymnasium to Performance Surfaces in the amount of \$72,970.00.

A motion was made by Pierson and seconded by Bennett-Johnson to award the bid for fixed seating at Guthrie High School gymnasium to Performance Surfaces in the amount of \$72,970.00.

The motion carried with 7 ayes and 0 nays.

- 11B. President Smedley called for recommendation, consideration and action to award the bid for Guthrie High School track repair and resurfacing.**

Superintendent Simpson recommended awarding the bid for Guthrie High School track repair and resurfacing to Merritt Tennis and Track Systems with a base bid of \$94,183.02 and to not include alternate #1.

A motion was made by Watts and seconded by Sallee to award the bid for Guthrie High School track repair and resurfacing to Merritt Tennis and Track Systems with a base bid of \$94,183.02 and to not include alternate #1.

Discussion followed.

The motion carried with 7 ayes and 0 nays.

- 11C. President Smedley called for recommendation, consideration and action upon contract for auditing services for 2019-2020 for fiscal year 2018-2019.**

A motion was made by Davis and seconded by Bennett-Johnson to contract with Putnam & Company, PLLC for auditing services for 2019-2020 for fiscal year 2018-2019.

The motion carried with 7 ayes and 0 nays.

- 11D. President Smedley called for recommendation, consideration and action upon Growth and Development presentation by Ms. April Devereaux BSN, RN for 5th grade students at Guthrie Upper Elementary.**

A motion was made by Plagg and seconded by Watts to approve the Growth and Development presentation by Ms. April Devereaux BSN, RN for 5th grade students at Guthrie Upper Elementary.

The motion carried with 7 ayes and 0 nays.

- 11E. President Smedley called for recommendation, consideration and action upon “Stop, Go and Tell” Program to take place in May at Central Elementary for Kindergarten through 4th grade students.**

A motion was made by Watts and seconded by Pierson to approve the “Stop, Go and Tell” Program to take place in May at Central Elementary for Kindergarten through 4th grade students.

The motion carried with 7 ayes and 0 nays.

- 11F. President Smedley called for recommendation, consideration and action for the adoption of new elementary attendance zones for 2019-2020 school year.**

Discussion followed.

A motion was made by Plagg and seconded by Watts to adopt new elementary attendance zones for 2019-2020 school year.

The motion carried with 7 ayes and 0 nays.

- 12. 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 as listed for 2018-2019, employment of career and probationary contract teachers as listed for 2019-2020 and discussion of teacher negotiations for 2019-2020, 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.**

- 12A. A motion was made by Davis and seconded by Sallee to go into executive session.**

The motion carried with 7 ayes and 0 nays. Executive session began at 7:22 p.m.

- 12B. President Smedley acknowledged the Board's return to open session at 8:03 p.m.**

- 12C. President Smedley stated that in executive session only those items listed in Agenda Item 12 were discussed and no votes were taken.**

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

A motion was made by Sallee and seconded by Bennett-Johnson to approve action as set out on the Personnel Reports.

The motion carried with 7 ayes and 0 nays.

- 14. President Smedley called for action upon recommendation of extra-duty assignments as listed for 2018-2019.**

A motion was made by Plagg and seconded by Davis to approve extra-duty assignments as listed for 2018-2019.

The motion carried with 7 ayes and 0 nays.

15. President Smedley called for action upon recommendation to employ career and probationary contract teachers as listed for 2019-2020.

Superintendent Simpson stated that Tamara Kuriger from Guthrie High School would need to be removed from the attached list as she has submitted her resignation.

A motion was made by Watts and seconded by Davis to employ career and probationary contract teachers as listed for 2019-2020 with the exception of Tamara Kuriger from Guthrie High School.

The motion carried with 7 ayes and 0 nays.

16. President Smedley 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.


17. 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.

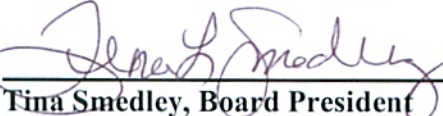
18. A motion was made by Watts and seconded by Plagg to adjourn the meeting.

The motion carried with 7 ayes and 0 nays.

The meeting adjourned at 8:06 p.m.



Jana Frey, Minutes Clerk



Tina Smedley, Board President

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