



# Board Highlights

April 24, 2020

## Special Virtual Board Meeting

Today's meeting was virtual to adhere to CDC and government guidelines. There were no comments by Board Members or the public. There was also no Superintendent's Report. This special meeting of the Putnam City School Board was held to vote on three open positions: Putnam City West High School Principal, Mayfield Middle School Principal, and Overholser Elementary Principal. We are PC proud to introduce you to the candidates that were named to these positions by the Putnam City School Board today.

Meeting Date: Monday, April 24 2020, 12:00 p.m.  
Location: Special Meeting, Virtual

Board members present were: Gail LoPresto, president, Becky Gooch, Jay Sherrill, Charity Avery, and Cindy Gibbs.

Also present were:

Dr. Fred Rhodes, superintendent,  
Sandy Lemaster, board clerk

Next Meeting: Friday, May 4, 2020 12:00 p.m.

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## Dr. Jason Memoli, Putnam City West Principal

Congratulations to Dr. Jason Memoli on being named Putnam City West Principal. Dr. Memoli is currently serving as the Assistant Principal of Curriculum and Instruction at Putnam City West. Prior to holding that position, Dr. Memoli was the District Curriculum Coordinator for Fine Arts and Gifted Services. He has been at home at PCW for several years, as he taught art there for six years while serving as the District Administrative Chair of Visual Arts. Dr. Memoli has served on numerous teams with the Oklahoma State Department of Education, and he is published in *Scientific Research*. He has been with Putnam City Schools since 2006. Dr. Memoli received his Bachelor of Fine Arts and his Master of Education from the University of Central Oklahoma. He went on to get his Ph.D. in Education from Oklahoma State University. Dr. Memoli said, "My career goals are to serve in the capacity of an educational leader guiding educators and staff in school operation, curriculum, and instruction to support, serve, and grow professionals that lead to student, school, and district success."



## Ben Hodges, Mayfield Middle School Principal

Putnam City Schools is proud to announce Ben Hodges as Mayfield Middle School Principal. Mr. Hodges is currently an Assistant Principal at Kenneth Cooper Middle School. Mr. Hodges is knowledgeable about middle schools in Putnam City, because he has worked at Mayfield, Capps, and Cooper, as Assistant Principal, and served his internship at Hefner Middle School. He began his PC experience teaching at James L. Dennis, then taught math and science at Mayfield for six years. Mr. Hodges received both his Bachelor of Science-Elementary Education and his Masters of Arts-School Administration from the University of Central Oklahoma. Mr. Hodges said his objective is, "To work as a school administrator that promotes student learning, a safe learning environment, and a positive school culture."

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## Greg Kipf, Overholser Elementary Principal

Greg Kipf is a product of Putnam City Schools, graduating from Putnam City North. He has spent his entire professional career in Putnam City. Mr. Kipf began as a teacher at Wiley Post Elementary where he was Site Teacher of the Year. He has worked as an administrator at Harvest Hills, Ralph Downs, Northridge, and Hilldale elementary schools. Mr. Kipf currently serves as Assistant Principal at Overholser Elementary. Mr. Kipf said, "I am proud to call Putnam City my home, and plan to do so for many years to come."

