

THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT NUMBER ONE
OF TULSA COUNTY, OKLAHOMA
MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF JULY 6, 2020

A regular meeting of the Board of Education of Independent School District Number One of Tulsa County, Oklahoma, was held on July 6, 2020, commencing at 6:30 p.m., conducted using videoconference pursuant to Title 25, Section 307.1 of the Oklahoma Statutes, as amended by Senate Bill 661. There was no physical site or location for this meeting. Each member of Board of Education appeared for the meeting remotely by using video conference. Notice of the meeting was given by service of written notice of the meeting to the office of the County Clerk of Tulsa County, Oklahoma, as required by Title 25, O.S., § 311(A)(5) and (A)(8), and by posting the agenda and recommendations of the Superintendent of Schools in prominent public view in the enclosed glass display case at the main door of the Charles C. Mason Education Service Center and at tulsaschools.org on July 2, 2020 at 4:30 p.m., pursuant to the provisions of Title 25, O.S., § 311(A)(9).

PRESENT: John Croisant
Jerry Griffin
Shawna Keller
Jennettie Marshall
Suzanne Schreiber
Jania Wester
Stacey Woolley

ABSENT: None

OPENING EXERCISES

Ms. Shawna Keller, president of the Board of Education, called the meeting to order, roll called, and declared that a quorum of the board was present; therefore, the meeting was qualified to consider the agenda items. Superintendent Deborah Gist led the flag salute.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Superintendent Deborah Gist announced the withdrawal of action item – F-1. **Ms. Suzanne Schreiber made a motion to adopt the agenda. The motion was seconded by Ms. Jania Wester and passed by the following vote:** AYE: Stacey Woolley, Suzanne Schreiber, Jennettie Marshall, Jania Wester, and Shawna Keller; NAY: None; ABSTAIN: None.

SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS/AWARDS/RESOLUTIONS

President Keller read a resolution of appreciation for out-going Board Member Brian Hosmer. **Ms. Suzanne Schreiber made a motion to adopt the resolution and the motion was seconded by Ms. Jania Wester and passed by the following vote:** Aye: Jania Wester, Jennettie Marshall, Suzanne Schreiber, Stacey Woolley, and Shawna Keller.

SEATING OF BOARD MEMBER

President Keller read the following statement concerning the election of a board member to represent School Board Election District Number 5.

“There having been presented to the Board of Education of Independent School District Number One of Tulsa County, Oklahoma, the results of the election for a school board member, as shown by the official returns furnished by the Tulsa County Election Board, said Board of Education finds and declares of record that said election was conducted by the officers designated in the proclamation and notice of such election; with all vacancies filled according to law, and in all respects, as required by law; that said election was conducted by ballot in the form prescribed; that the polls were opened at 7 a.m. and remained open continuously until the polls were closed at 7 p.m. on the 30th day of June 2020, the hours designated in said proclamation and notice of election, and that the votes cast by the fully qualified electors were as follows:

John Croisant – 6,097 votes
Shane Saunders – 5,530 votes

“Accordingly, I hereby state that John Croisant has been elected to the office of Post Number Five for Board Election District Number One to serve for a regular term of four years, or until her successor is elected and qualified.”

President Keller read the following statement concerning the election of a board member to represent School Board Election District Number 6.

“There having been presented to the Board of Education of Independent School District Number One of Tulsa County, Oklahoma, the results of the election for a school board member, as shown by the official returns furnished by the Tulsa County Election Board, said Board of Education finds and declares of record that said election was conducted by the officers designated in the proclamation and notice of such election; with all vacancies filled according to law, and in all respects, as required by law; that said election was conducted by ballot in the

form prescribed; that the polls were opened at 7 a.m. and remained open continuously until the polls were closed at 7 p.m. on the 30th day of June 2020, the hours designated in said proclamation and notice of election, and that the votes cast by the fully qualified electors were as follows:

Gerald Griffin – 3,302 votes
Ruth Ann Fate – 3,272 votes

“Accordingly, I hereby state that Gerald Griffin has been elected to the office of Post Number Six for Board Election District Number One to serve for a regular term of four years, or until her successor is elected and qualified.”

Mr. Eric Wade, attorney for the district, administered the oath of office to Mr. John Croisant.

Newly elected Board Member John Croisant thanked those that came out to vote and supported him and others in the elections. He commended the citizens of Tulsa.

Mr. Eric Wade administered the oath of office to Dr. Jerry Griffin.

Newly elected Board Member Jerry Griffin thanked the community for their support and vote.

REORGANIZATION OF THE BOARD

President Keller called for nominations to serve as President of the Board of Education and Ms. Suzanne Schreiber made a motion to nominate Shawna Keller to continue to serve as President of the Board of Education. Board Member Schreiber made comments regarding the rationale for her nomination of Shawna Keller. The nomination was seconded by Ms. Jania Wester who also made comments in support of Ms. Keller’s nomination to continue as Board President. Board Member Croisant made comments thanking Ms. Keller for her service as Board President and the tough decision to be made. **President Keller called for the vote.** The motion did **NOT** pass with the following vote: AYE: Suzanne Schreiber, Jania Wester, and Shawna Keller. NAY: Stacey Woolley, John Croisant, Jerry Griffin, and Jennettie Marshall; ABSTAIN: None, ABSENT: None.

President Keller called for nominations to serve as President of the Board of Education and Board Member Jerry Griffin made a motion to nominate Stacey Woolley to serve as President of the Board of Education. The nomination was seconded by John Croisant. Dr. Jerry Griffin and Ms. Jennettie Marshall made comments regarding the reasons for supporting the nomination for Ms. Stacey Woolley for President of the Board of Education. The motion **passed** with the following vote: AYE: Stacey Woolley, Suzanne Schreiber, John Croisant, Jerry Griffin, Jennettie Marshall, Jania Wester, and Shawna Keller. NAY: None; ABSTAIN: None; ABSENT: None.

Newly elected Board President Woolley called for nominations for the office of Vice President of the Board. Ms. Jennettie Marshall was **nominated by Dr. Jerry Griffin for the office of Vice President and the motion was seconded by Mr. John Croisant. Ms. Stacey Woolley called for the vote.** Additional comments were made by members of the board regarding the rationale of their vote. **The motion to nominate Ms. Jennettie Marshall to serve as Vice President of the Board of Education did NOT** pass with the following vote: AYE: Jennettie

Marshall, Jerry Griffin, Stacey Woolley, NAY: Jania Wester, John Croisant, Shawna Keller, and Suzanne Schreiber; ABSTAIN: None, ABSENT: None.

President Woolley called for nominations for the office of the Vice President of the Board. Ms. Jania Wester was nominated by Ms. Suzanne Schreiber and seconded by Ms. Shawna Keller to serve as Vice President of the Board of Education. Board Members made comments regarding the rationale of their vote. **The motion passed with the following vote:** AYE: Jania Wester, John Croisant, Shawna Keller, Suzanne Schreiber, and Stacey Woolley, NAY: Jennettie Marshall, Jerry Griffin, ABSTAIN: None, ABSENT: None.

President of the **Board Stacey Woolley called for a motion to appoint the non-voting officers of the Board of Education.**

Ms. Jania Wester made a motion to appoint the following nonvoting officers of the Board of Education to serve at the pleasure of the Board until the first regular meeting after the next annual school election or until their successors are appointed, and further recommended that appropriate bonds be authorized as required by law:

Treasurer – George P. Stoeppelwerth, III
Assistant Treasurer – Michael W. Brown
Clerk – Sarah Bozone
Deputy Clerk – Madeline Carter
Encumbrance Clerk – Alicia Srader

The motion was seconded by Ms. Shawna Keller and the motion passed by the following vote: AYE: Suzanne Schreiber, Shawna Keller, John Croisant, Jerry Griffin, Jennettie Marshall, Jania Wester, and Stacey Woolley; NAY: None; ABSTAIN: None; ABSENT: None.

CONSENT AGENDA

A motion was made by Ms. Jania Wester to approve the consent agenda, and the motion was seconded by Ms. Suzanne Schreiber. Staff responded to questions from members of the board. **President Woolley called for the vote and the motion passed by the following vote:** AYE: Jania Wester, Jennettie Marshall, Jerry Griffin approved all items with the exception of E.6, Shawna Keller, Suzanne Schreiber, Stacey Woolley, and John Croisant. NAY: None; ABSTAIN: Jerry Griffin abstained on item E.6; ABSENT: None.

INFORMATION AGENDA

Superintendent Gist introduced the information agenda, and she and staff responded to questions from members of the board.

President Woolley called on Mr. John Huffines who signed up to speak in support of items G.1, G.2, and G. 3 and Mr. Darryl Bright who signed up to speak to item G.2.

Superintendent Gist and staff responded to questions and comments from members of the board.

STAFF REPORT

There was no staff report.

BOARD MEMBER REPORTS

Board Member Griffin thanked the voters of district 6 and the citizens of Tulsa who supported him. He also made suggestions for the opening of schools and comments regarding the importance of the voice of the new board members regarding critical items for the district.

CITIZENS COMMENTS

There was one speaker under Citizens' Comments.

Mr. John Huffines spoke about Juneteenth and freedom.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORTS/PRESENTATIONS

Dr. Gist echoed congratulations and welcome of the new board members. She mentioned the new board orientation that took place earlier in the day to discuss the flow of meeting and Open Meeting Act guidelines. She mentioned that there will be additional meetings to discuss the District Strategic Plan and some of the important work completed and ongoing in the district. The superintendent shared that the Operations Team was recognized as Tulsa's heroes of the pandemic by Tulsa People Magazine.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Ms. Shawna Keller made a motion to approve the minutes of the June 15, 22, and June 23, 2020 special meetings of the board and the June 18, 2020 regular meeting of the board of education. The motion was seconded by Ms. Jania Wester and passed by the following vote: AYE: Jania Wester, Jennettie Marshall, Shawna Keller, Suzanne Schreiber, and Stacey Woolley. NAY: None; ABSTAIN: Jerry Griffin and John Croisant.

OTHER NONROUTINE ITEMS REQUIRING BOARD ACTION

There were no non-routine items.

NEW BUSINESS

There was no new business.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

President Woolley announced that the next regularly scheduled videoconference meeting of the Board of Education would be held on Monday, July 20, 2020, at 6:30 p.m., by videoconference. Members of the public may access the meeting by videoconference at tulaschools.org.

There being no further business to come before the board, the meeting was adjourned **at 8:44 p.m. on a motion made by Ms. Jania Wester and seconded by Dr. Jerry Griffin. The motion passed by the following vote:** AYE: Suzanne Schreiber, Shawna Keller, John Croisant, Jerry Griffin, Jennettie Marshall, Jania Wester, and Stacey Woolley; NAY: None; ABSTAIN: None.

Let the record show the meeting was digitally recorded. The recording is on file as a matter of record.

These minutes are approved by the board but are unsigned due to quarantine related to COVID-19. We will update with signed minutes when reasonably possible. Thank you for your patience.

DocuSigned by:

Eric Wade

Attorney for the School District

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President, Board of Education

DocuSigned by:

Deborah Gist

Superintendent of Schools

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Sarah Boyone

Clerk, Board of Education