# THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT NUMBER ONE OF TULSA COUNTY, OKLAHOMA

# MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF FEBRUARY 22, 2021

A regular meeting of the Board of Education of Independent School District Number One of TulsaCounty, Oklahoma, was held on February 22, 2021, commencing at 6:33 p.m., in the Cheryl Selman room, ground floor, at the Charles C. Mason Education, 3027 S. New Haven Avenue, Tulsa, Oklahoma in addition to 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 February 19, 2021 at 4:00 p.m., pursuant to the provisions of Title 25, O.S., § 311(A)(9).

PRESENT:

Judith Barba Perez

John Croisant
Jerry Griffin
Shawna Keller
Jennettie Marshall
Suzanne Schreiber
Stacey Woolley

ABSENT:

None

# **OPENING EXERCISES**

Board President Woolley 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. The flag salute was led by Superintendent Gist.

#### ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Board Member Schreiber made a motion to adopt the agenda, and Dr. Jerry Griffin seconded the motion. The motion <u>passed</u> by the following vote: AYE: Suzanne Schreiber, Jerry Griffin, Shawna Keller, John Croisant, Judith Barba Perez Jennettie Marshall, and Stacey Woolley; NAY: None; ABSTAIN: None; ABSENT: None.

# SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS/AWARDS/RESOLUTIONS

Superintendent Gist and board members presented resolutions of appreciation and gratitude for Eugene Harris, Dr. LaVerne Ford Wimberly, and former Senator Maxine Horner.

Principal Gina Wilson and Principal Jason Gilley presented a report on Black History Month.

# APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

Ms. Suzanne Schreiber made a motion to approve the minutes of the February 1, 2021 regular meeting of the board. The motion to approve was seconded by Ms. Shawna Keller and the motion <u>passed</u> by the following vote: AYE: Jennettie Marshall, John Croisant, Shawna Keller, Jerry Griffin, Suzanne Schreiber, and Stacey Woolley; NAY: None; ABSTAIN: Judith Barba Perez; ABSENT: None.

Ms. Suzanne Schreiber made a motion to approve the minutes of the February 16, 2021 special meeting of the board. The motion to approve was seconded by Dr. Jerry Griffin and the motion <u>passed</u> by the following vote: AYE: Jennettie Marshall, Judith Barba Perez, John Croisant, Shawna Keller, Jerry Griffin, Suzanne Schreiber, and Stacey Woolley; NAY: None; ABSTAIN: None; ABSENT: None.

# CONSENT AGENDA

A motion was made by Ms. Shawna Keller to approve the consent agenda, and the motion was seconded by Ms. Suzanne Schreiber. President Woolley called for the vote, and the motion <u>passed</u> by the following vote: AYE: Suzanne Schreiber, Jerry Griffin (with the exception of item E.3), Shawna Keller, John Croisant, Judith Barba Perez, Jennettie Marshall (with the exception of item E.1), and Stacey Woolley; NAY: Jennettie Marshall on item E.1; ABSTAIN: Jerry Griffin on item E.3; ABSENT: None.

#### **ACTION AGENDA**

**F.1. RECOMMENDATION:** Approve contracts with Teachers Council, Inc. and the Law Office of Kevin Michael Riley, effective February 1, 2021, through June 30, 2022, to obtain

work visas for international teachers.

A motion was made by Ms. Suzanne Schreiber to approve item F-1, and the motion was seconded by Dr. Jerry Griffin.

Mr. John Huffines spoke on items F-1, F-2, and G-1.

Following comments from members of the Board and Superintendent Gist, President Woolley called for the vote and **the motion <u>passed</u>** by the following vote: AYE: Jennettie Marshall, Judith Barba Perez, John Croisant, Shawna Keller, Suzanne Schreiber, Jerry Griffin, and Stacey Woolley; NAY: None; ABSTAIN: None; ABSENT: None.

**F.2 RECOMMENDATION:** Enter into pricing agreements with the most responsive and responsible vendors to purchase personal protective equipment (PPE) and items to encourage additional safety measures for the district in accordance with the terms and conditions of various Request for Proposal (RFPs) and individual quotes as needed. PPE includes, masks, face shields, thermometers, air filters, desk shields, gowns, sanitizer, sanitary wipes, and other PPE as needed to support a healthy school environment. Other items needed to create safe learning environments inside and outside to promote distancing will include, outdoor furniture and coverings, air scrubbers, electrostatic sprayers, touchless water filling stations and other items identified for supporting students returning and staying in in-person learning.

A motion was made by Ms. Shawna Keller and seconded by Dr. Jerry Griffin to approve item F.2.

Ms. Melissa Remington spoke to item F.2.

Following comments from members and Superintendent Gist, President Woolley called for the vote and **the motion <u>passed</u> by the following vote:** AYE: Suzanne Schreiber, Jerry Griffin, Shawna Keller, John Croisant, Jennettie Marshall, Judith Barba Perez, and Stacey Woolley; NAY: None; ABSTAIN: None; ABSENT: None.

#### INFORMATION AGENDA

Superintendent Gist introduced the information agenda. Dr. Gist and district staff responded to questionsfrom members of the board.

### STAFF REPORT

Chief Learning Officer, Ebony Johnson and her team presented an update on teaching the Tulsa Race Massacre. Superintendent Gist and her team answered questions from the board members.

Deputy Superintendent, Paula Shannon, presented an update on the district's Mid-Year Performance Report. Superintendent Gist and her team answered questions from the board members.

Chief Operations Officer, Jorge Robles presented an update on COVID-19. Superintendent Gist and her team answered questions from the board members.

# **BOARD MEMBER REPORTS**

Board member Croisant shared that he attended a Beyond Wellness Summit where he learned more about red-flags and how to recognize child abuse, as well as how to address trauma.

Board member Marshall announced that she will be working the Supporters of Families with Sickle Cell Disease from 12 - 2 p.m. on Saturday to hand out food to those in need.

Board member Schreiber reminded the board and the public that we are in legislative session and encouraged people to reach out to her if they have any questions concerning the legislative session.

# **CITIZENS Comments**

- Mr. Ron Causby spoke about schools being closed to in-person instruction.
- Ms. Christina Byrne spoke about reopening school buildings and COVID-19.
- Mr. Leslie Kaup spoke about the importance of continuing to advocate for TPS.
- Ms. Emilia Nguyen spoke to thank former board member Jania Wester.
- Ms. Asucena Mauricio spoke to thank former board member Jania Wester.

# SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORTS/PRESENTATIONS

Dr. Gist gave an update on the past few weeks on inclement weather and the impact it had on the district. She thanked team members for their relentless focus on keeping our district safe. She thanked the City of Tulsa and PSO for prioritizing schools. She thanked the talent management team for working with support staff.

Dr. Gist shared her excitement to welcome students back in the classroom. She reminded the public of the return dates for students, and she encouraged families to visit the TPS website to make sure they are ready for the first day back to in-person learning.

Additionally, Superintendent Gist gave an update on vaccination efforts and eligibility.

Dr. Gist announced it was Public Schools Week and shared how proud she was to be a life-long public school student, teacher, and leader.

#### OTHER NONROUTINE ITEMS REQUIRING BOARD ACTION

There were no non-routine items.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

There was no new business.

# **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

The next regularly scheduled meeting of the Board of Education will be on Monday, March 8, 2021 at 6:30 p.m.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:47 p.m. on a motion made by Ms. Suzanne Schreiber and seconded by Ms. Shawna Keller. The motion <u>passed</u> by the following vote: AYE: Jennettie Marshall, Judith Barba Perez, John Croisant, Shawna Keller, Jerry Griffin, Suzanne Schreiber, and Stacey Woolley. NAY: None; ABSTAIN: None; ABSENT: None.

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

Attorney for the School District

President, Board of Education

Superintendent of Schools

Clerk, Board of Education