

**MINUTES OF JANUARY 11, 2021 REGULAR MEETING – 6:00 P.M.**  
**CHOCTAW/NICOMA PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION**  
Ind. Dist. 4, Oklahoma County, Oklahoma

Place of Meeting  
Administration Office, 12880 N.E. 10<sup>th</sup>, Choctaw, OK 73020

Janice Modisette, President, called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Roll call established members present: Elizabeth Parker, Clerk, and Pamela Matherly, Asst. Clerk. Don Alsup, Vice President and Daryl Crusoe, Member, were absent.

Mrs. Modisette called for consideration and approval of the agenda. Ms. Parker moved and Ms. Matherly seconded to approve the agenda. The vote was unanimous.

Ms. Matherly moved and Ms. Parker seconded, to approve the December 14, 2020 regular board meeting minutes and the December 2, 2020 special board meeting minutes. The vote was unanimous.

Amber Spradlin, ACT President, reported that she had a speech prepared this evening but just moments before she arrived she found out that one of our bus monitors had passed just recently. Mrs. Spradlin stated that she has a heavy heart regarding this news. Mrs. Spradlin reported that she represents 5 administrators, 204 teachers and 10 support personnel which are members of the CNP ACT. Mrs. Spradlin continued stating that January is board appreciation month. She stated that she hopes each board member had a very relaxing holiday, though it may have looked much different this year. Mrs. Spradlin stated that the ACT has been working with Mr. James regarding the 2021-22 school calendar. Teachers are also putting out a desperate plea for substitutes. Mrs. Spradlin closed by stating that she has decided to use one word to describe her feelings regarding 2021 and that is..... Hope.

There were no comments from the floor regarding agenda items.

Don Alsup, Vice President, entered the meeting at 6:11 p.m.

Superintendent Reid made the following comments:

- We have completed a successful, albeit very unique, first semester of the school year and are off to a good start to the second semester. Instruction intensifies the third nine weeks in preparation for the state mandated tests in April.
- January is School Board Recognition month. I know I speak for everyone in this room, as well we our entire CNP community, when I say thank you to each of our CNP board members who tirelessly give of your time to make sure our students and staff are taken care of to the best of your abilities.
- Mid-term and Stimulus – I wish there was better news to report. We received news over the weekend that our mid-term cut will be \$912,874.09 from our initial allocation. This is on the top of the fact our initial allocation was already down \$2,066,698.15. from our initial allocation for the 19/20 school year. Those combined mean we are down \$2,973,789.47 from the initial allocation for 19/20. We have received news that our stimulus money will be \$1,604,990.00 which is nice but will not offset the money lost – especially when two to three hundred thousand of it will be needed to offset losses in child nutrition. Kevin will give more details in his report.
- All of our winter activities and sports are happening despite the challenges each faces. Check our school web site for sports and activity schedules.
- Congratulations to our CHS girls' basketball team who won the Bartlesville Championship over the weekend. The team dominated each of the three teams they faced. They are currently ranked 6<sup>th</sup> in 6A.
- Congratulations to our CHS boys' basketball team who placed 2<sup>nd</sup> in the Bishop McGuinness tournament over the weekend. This tournament was filled with quality competition including the number 1,4,7, 11, and 12<sup>th</sup> ranked teams in 6A as well as the 10<sup>th</sup> ranked team in 5A. They are currently ranked 7<sup>th</sup> in Class 6A.
- Congratulations to Coach Coleman and the CHS wrestling team. Although the Geary Tournament was cancelled, they were able to wrestle Duals this weekend against several of the team which were slated to be in the Geary Tournament.
- The legislative session starts next month and we anticipate more bills that ever regarding private schools getting public school dollars and more mandates without funding. We will see what happens and keep you posted.

There were no comments from board members.

Kevin Berry, Chief Financial Officer, reported that we received our mid-term adjustment and it was a little more of a hit that he had anticipated. He stated that virtual and charter schools are taking the majority of the funds from public schools. Mr. Berry stated that we would be alright for this year but the next couple of years are going to be brutal. Mr. Berry added that the stimulus money had helped with Child Nutrition because we can only cut so much staff at each site.

Ms. Matherly moved and seconded by Ms. Parker to approve encumbrances. Approved were the following: Fund 11 – #'s 565 - 575 - \$5,423.90; and Fund 21 – #'s 122-126 - \$7,509.00. The vote was unanimous.

Ms. Parker moved, seconded by Mr. Alsup, to approve an Assignment and Consent to Assignment Agreement with the Board of Trustees of the Teachers' Retirement Systems of Oklahoma and the Choctaw-Nicoma Park School District. The vote was unanimous.

Ms. Matherly moved, seconded by Mr. Alsup, to approve the consent agenda. The vote was unanimous.

Kelli Hosford, Executive Director of Student Services, thanked the board members for their service. Mrs. Hosford gave a brief update on WEDA Assessments and upcoming training. She reported that she will still hopeful that we will receive a waiver for this year's state testing. State testing is scheduled to begin in April and continue through May 24<sup>th</sup>. Mrs. Hosford stated that OLAP students must have testing completed by March 28<sup>th</sup>.

Debbie Worley, EDGE Director, gave the following update. Mrs. Worley stated that the total number of EDGE students for the second semester is 755. She stated that they are working with school sites on enrollment for the 2021-22 school year. They are also tentatively considering asking parents to make their decision of brick and mortar or EDGE by April 30, 2021. This will help the site principals and district administration on staffing needs. Mrs. Worley reported that she met with CHS administrators and counselors about the 2021-22 Course Catalog. She stated that additional electives will be added to assist with large class sizes and provide options for students to complete a four-year program through the EDGE Virtual Academy. Mrs. Worley stated that Jennifer Wright is offering three live Q&A technology sessions to parents and students. Hopefully, this will help start the semester smoothly. Additionally, she reported that Jennifer also won a Discover Engineering grant for \$720 to implement a Virtual STEM Club for grades 3-5 EDGE students. We will celebrate on February 21-27 with online STEM activities. Hands-on STEM materials will be purchased with grant funds and kits will be created for students/families to check out through the EDGE office for at-home use. Jennifer was awarded a \$1000 Wal Mart grant that was used to purchase teacher tools such as microphones, headsets, and ring lights. These items were checked out to teachers and will be returned to the EDGE office at the end of the school year. She also won a \$750 CNP Education Foundation grant. The money from this grant was used to purchase teacher tools such as microphones, headsets, and ring lights. These items were checked out to teachers and will be returned to the EDGE office at the end of the school year. The EDGE office has also created step-by-step instructions for teachers to determine whether a student should be marked absent. Mrs. Worley added that in December, a K-5 Newsletter was sent to all elementary parents. The EDGE office also created second-semester sections for secondary courses in Courseware. New student accounts were created in Calvert for students switching from brick and mortar to EDGE. All students that returned this semester to brick and mortar have been withdrawn from EDGE. STAR testing was also offered every Friday at the administration office during the 1<sup>st</sup> semester as an alternate testing site.

At 6:28 p.m., Ms. Parker moved and Ms. Matherly seconded to enter executive session. The vote was unanimous.

At 8:07 p.m., Mr. Alsup moved, seconded by Ms. Parker to return to open session. The vote was unanimous.

Ms. Parker moved, seconded by Ms. Matherly to approve the following support resignations: Kiersey Rogers, effective 12/18/20; Marianne Weeks, effective 12/18/20; Stacy Haden (retire), effective 12/18/20; and Brenda Muse (deceased), effective 12/18/20. The vote was unanimous.

Mr. Alsup moved, seconded by Ms. Matherly to approve the evaluation and reemployment of David Reid as Superintendent of Schools for the 2021/22 school year. The vote was unanimous.

There being no new business, at 8:09 p.m. a motion was made by Ms. Matherly and seconded by Ms. Parker to adjourn. The vote was unanimous.

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