

MINUTES OF MARCH 7, 2022 REGULAR MEETING – 6:00 P.M.
CHOCTAW/NICOMA PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION

Ind. Dist. 4, Oklahoma County, Oklahoma

Place of Meeting

Administration Office Board Room, 12880 N.E. 10th, Choctaw, OK 73020

Don Alsup, President, called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. President Alsup called roll to establish the following members present: Elizabeth Parker, Vice President; Daryl Crusoe, Assistant Clerk; Pamela Matherly, Clerk and Janice Modisette, Member.

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

Mrs. Modisette moved and Mr. Crusoe seconded to approve the February 14, 2022 board meeting minutes. The vote was unanimous.

There were no comments from ACT.

There were no comments from the floor regarding agenda items.

Superintendent Reid introduced CHS wrestler, Peyton Hand. Superintendent Reid stated that Peyton won the state title for girls' wrestling in her weight class. Superintendent Reid added that Peyton has now won the state title for three years in a row. Superintendent Reid invited Benny Coleman, CHS Wrestling Coach, to say a few words. Coach Coleman praised Peyton and her accomplishments in wrestling but also added that most importantly, Peyton maintains a 4.0 gpa.

Superintendent Reid made the following comments:

- As of last Friday, the third quarter of the school year completed and today marked the beginning of the fourth quarter.
- Congratulations again to Peyton Hand for winning the girls' state wrestling title for her weight class. Congratulation to Coach Maloney and the girls' basketball team for qualifying for the state tournament. They will play Sand Springs at Carl Albert High School at 8:00 p.m. this Thursday. Congratulation to Coach Simpson and the boys' basketball team. Unfortunately, they lost in the area tournament to bring their season to an end, but ended up one game short of qualifying for the state tournament.
- Spring sports are now a full go and will have something scheduled just about every day except for Wednesdays and Sundays.
- Congratulation to the CHS Winter Guard. They took 2nd place last weekend at the WGI Tulsa Regional.
- Congratulations to Maryjane Burton and the cast of Bye Bye Birdie. They had seven live musical performances and of course they were fantastic. The final performance on Sunday, February 26th, was an alumni performance where Maryjane played the role of the mother. As you would imagine, she was amazing.
- The 2022 legislative session continues. The big bill of focus right now is over using public tax dollars for private school vouchers. There are many reasons why we feel this is wrong – no accountability for funds (as seen with EPIC), no standards for curriculum or teachers, potentially taking money from public ed if not funded, etc. This essentially just puts part of the cost of tuition back in the pockets of those already attending private schools as the roughly \$3,750 they would receive would not come close to covering the cost of yearly tuition at Crossings (\$10,700), Infinity Generation (\$12,000), Trinity (\$14,250), Bishop McGuinness (\$15,325), Heritage Hall (\$22,780), or Casady (\$23,225).
- Finally, Friday is a scheduled parent/teacher conference day. Our schools have completed two nighttime sessions to cover this day. Spring break is next week. This is time for everyone to relax and recharge for the final quarter of the school year.

There were no comments from board members.

Due to functions at her school site, Ambra Smith, ACT President, arrived at 6:03 p.m. Ms. Smith was asked to give her ACT report following Superintendent's Reid's comments. Ms. Smith reported that following parent/teacher conferences everyone is looking forward to spring break. Ms. Smith stated that she recently went to the Capital and spoke to Senator Stanley. She stated that they voted on the library bill last week. Ms. Smith added that she does have some good news, the House hasn't voted or heard any voucher bill to date. So hopefully, they will hold on that bill. In closing, Ms. Smith requested Mr. Alsup's email address to forward a questionnaire to him that is being sent from ACT to both candidates running for school board.

Ms. Matherly moved, seconded by Mrs. Modisette to approve the April 1st Open Transfer Capacity levels to submit to the Oklahoma State Department of Education. The vote was unanimous.

Kevin Berry, Chief Financial Officer, reported that he has a couple of quick items to report on this evening. He stated that he has been very busy starting to work on the preliminary information for the bond. He added that he is working with FEMA to try and get assistance with our storm shelters. Mr. Berry added that we have to have a hazard mitigation plan. He has checked with Oklahoma County and Oklahoma City and both of these entities have a plan but they did not include school districts. They are looking to see if one of them can amend their plan to include CNP Schools. This could result in a significant amount of money coming back to the school district to help build these shelters.

Ms. Matherly moved and seconded by Ms. Parker to approve encumbrances. Approved were the following: Fund 11 – #'s 768 -851 - \$121,406.03; Fund 21 – #'s 150-157 - \$23,291.74; Fund 22 - # – 057 – 058 - \$100,088.60; Fund 31 - # 7 – 11 - \$73,451.74; Fund 33 - #4 - \$20,199.00; Fund 36 - #'s 4 – 5 - \$2,000.00 and Fund 86 - \$5,000.00. The vote was unanimous.

Mr. Crusoe moved, seconded by Ms. Parker to approve the renewal of Software Service Agreement with Municipal Accounting Systems, Inc. for the 2022-23 school year. The vote was unanimous.

Mrs. Modisette moved, seconded by Mr. Crusoe to approve OKTLE, McREL, and SEES contract for 2022-23 school year. The vote was unanimous.

Ms. Matherly moved, seconded by Mrs. Modisette to approve a resolution determining the maturities of, and setting a date, time and place for the sale of the \$10,100,000 General Obligation Combined Purpose Bonds of the School District. April 7th at noon at the Administration Office Board Room was set. The vote was unanimous.

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

Kelli Hosford, Executive Director of Student Services, reported that tomorrow is “Be Seen, Wear Green” for Disability Awareness Day. Autism has its own awareness month and it is the month of April. Mrs. Hosford stated that she would like to say thank you to EOC Tech employees, Kim Dunn and Emily Gideon. She added that in the board packets they received the Recipe for Success information. Mrs. Hosford added that they were looking for a way to communicate with parents of students that are going in to their senior year or they are looking at their 13th year. We wanted to have an evening with CHS and EOC Tech that would focus on EOC Tech’s Hospitality and Food Service Program that is available for our special needs students. This has been scheduled for tomorrow night at 6:00 p.m. in the CHS Library. Mrs. Hosford added that we will have students that actually prepared the food and will be serving the food. We hope to have one of CHS students and his parents there to speak about how beneficial the program has been for him. The Department of Rehabilitative Services will also be there to talk about working and Social Security and that their child can earn up to \$13,000 a year without it affecting their SSI. Our CNP Special Education Team will be there to answer any questions for the parents. We are very excited about this night for our students. Stephanie Seagraves will be there as well to give an update about Project Search. We are ready but we are just do not have a business yet that has 250 minimum employees for this. Mrs. Hosford reported that Special Services has been extremely busy and she wanted to give a shout out to NPE, CE and IME. We have been receiving many referrals from Sooner Start for kids that are turning 3 years old and are in our attendance area. Their parents want services as soon as they turn 3 so these schools have been working very closely with Sooner Start. WIDA testing should be wrapping up on Friday; however, we gained 4 new students today that will need to take the test. Mrs. Hosford stated that we currently have 87 English Language Learners in our District. Mrs. Hosford expressed that she had the privilege and honor of attending the State Teacher of the Year Ceremony with Mr. Reid and Mrs. Shay last week. Tina Dewey, our current District Teacher of the Year, was a state finalist and she represented our district with class, poise and dedication. She did a beautiful job. We are wrapping up OLAP training and OLAP testing starts at the end of March. Friday is the last day to turn in an initial referral to make our 45-day time. In the last 2 weeks we have received 30 more initial referrals so they just keep coming in. We are in the planning stages for ESY and our elementary and middle schools are working on scheduling transition meetings. Mrs. Hosford closed by publicly acknowledging Tri-City for everything they have done for us this year. They have been a great partner to our district.

Dr. JeanAnn Gaona, Assistant Superintendent for Instruction, reported that we managed to pack quite a bit into the month of February despite the terrible weather that everyone experienced. On February 21, over 230 teachers from sites around our district participated in the second part of our Dyslexia training. Presenters from Reading Horizons shared not only classroom activities that can meet the needs of our dyslexic students and really all students struggling to learn, but also destressing activities that can be used to reduce anxiety in uncomfortable situations such as those faced by students who struggle with reading. Feedback regarding this training has been exceptional and Dr. Gaona stated that she hopes to utilize Reading Horizons in the future. Dr. Gaona stated that this week marks the completion of installation of all of our Smartpanels and laptop systems in classrooms. The next wave of deployment will include office staff including, counselors, secretaries, administrators, etc. Laptop backpacks for all of the laptops have been ordered and hopefully

information will once again be able to be provided on their transit. Dr. Gaona added that the American Rescue Plan tutoring has started at each of our sites for students in a Tier II level of need for intervention who are not receiving current services. These students struggle but may not qualify for other help such as reading teacher intervention or Title VI tutoring. Dr. Gaona stated that she and Debbie Worley are working to develop a new 3-week summer school program that will be available in July for these students as well. She continued stating that our Title VI Indian Education Department will have its first districtwide event in April after a 2 ½ year hiatus. Fancy Dancers will once again perform for students and their families. In addition, Dr. Gaona stated that she and Sina Nay are in contact with the new First Americans Museum. They hope to partner with them in the future for activities and resources. Dr. Gaona closed stating that she will update the board as new information becomes available.

Ms. Parker moved, seconded by Mrs. Modisette, to approve Chad Coulter as an Adjunct Teacher for Physical Education at Choctaw High School. The vote was unanimous.

At 6:22 p.m., Mrs. Modisette made a motion, Ms. Matherly seconded, to enter into executive session. The vote was unanimous.

At 6:39 p.m., by a motion from Ms. Matherly and a second by Mrs. Modisette, the board voted to return to open session. The vote was unanimous.

Ms. Parker moved, seconded by Mr. Crusoe to approve the following certified resignations: David Dooley (retire), effective 6/30/22; Robert Ward (retire), effective 6/30/22; Laurie Boyd, effective 5/19/22; Nicole Leeper, effective 5/19/22; Karen Uselton (retire), effective 6/30/22; Stacey Booth, effective 5/19/22; Clark Crawford, effective 5/19/22; and Larry Lanham, effective 5/19/22. The vote was unanimous.

Ms. Parker moved, seconded by Mr. Crusoe to approve the following support recommendations: Aidan Overhold, effective 2/15/22; Seneca Domebo, effective 2/28/22 and Kenzie DeCamp, effective 7/1/22. The vote was unanimous.

Ms. Parker moved, seconded by Mr. Crusoe to approve the following support resignations: Donna Salinas (retire), effective 6/30/22; Sherri Brown (retire), effective 6/30/22; Chris Linn (retire), effective 6/30/22; Stacey Sapp, effective 6/30/22; Jonathan Franks, effective 3/4/22; Wanda Edwards (LOA), effective 2/18/22; Byron Gray, effective 2/22/22; Dege Eurbanks, effective 3/4/22; Sara Seabolt, effective 3/18/22; and Josefina Lovett, effective 3/25/22. The vote was unanimous.

Mrs. Modisette moved, seconded by Mr. Crusoe to approve the following reemployment of central office directors for the 2022-23 school year: Mike Hessman, Chris Brazer, Brian Cannon and Gail Bellflower. The vote was unanimous.

Mrs. Modisette moved, seconded by Mr. Crusoe to approve the reemployment of the following site administrators for the 2022-23 school year: Jackie Harris, Steve Keiffer, Josh Durant, Scott David, Brent Ingraham, Donna O'Neal, Angela Challis, Jake Freer, Tara Simon, Amber Balderrama, Lance Nutham, Wendy Eaton, Danita Hollins, Shannon Shay, Angela Fortune, Cheryl Lidia, Pam Cook, Misti Tye, Kari Baker, Dorothy Moseley and Elizabeth Karnes. The vote was unanimous.

Ms. Parker moved, seconded by Mr. Crusoe to name two (2) Assistant Principals at Choctaw High School effective July 1, 2022. The two recommendations are J.J. Venzor and Melissa Coulter. The vote was unanimous.

Mr. Crusoe moved, seconded by Ms. Matherly to name Todd Dilbeck as the Director of Construction effective July 1, 2022. The vote was unanimous.

Ms. Matherly moved, seconded by Mrs. Modisette to rename two Executive Director positions held by Kelli Hosford and Michael James as Assistant Superintendents. The vote was unanimous.

Mrs. Modisette moved, seconded by Daryl Crusoe to rename the Assistant Superintendent of Instructional position held by Dr. JeanAnn Gaona to Deputy Superintendent of Instruction. The vote was unanimous.

Under new business, Mr. Reid acknowledge he inadvertently left off the positions of NPMS Principal, NPMS Assistant Principal and CATS Director. The board affirmed that they will place Jake Freer (NPMS Principal), Tara Simon (NPMS Assistant Principal), and Brent Ingraham (CATS Director) on the agenda at the special board meeting on March 23, 2022.

There being no further new business, at 6:46 p.m. a motion was made by Mrs. Modisette and seconded by Ms. Matherly to adjourn. The vote was unanimous.

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