

**MINUTES OF MAY 9, 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

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

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

Mr. Crusoe moved and Mr. Alsup seconded to approve the April 11, 2022 board meeting minutes. The vote was unanimous.

Ambra Smith, ACT President, reported that there are only 8 days of school left and the school sites are finishing up their testing. In closing, Ms. Smith stated that four of our ACT members attended the OEA Delegate Assembly last Friday and Saturday.

There were no comments from the floor regarding agenda items.

Mr. Reid stated that there were four drama students present this evening to be acknowledged for their recent accomplishments as State Champions and National Qualifiers. Superintendent Reid asked CHS Drama Teacher, Maryjane Burton to come forward and introduce the students. Mrs. Burton introduced Riley Herring, 2022 OSSAA State Champion in Poetry, McKinley Rowton, 2022 OSSAA State Champion in Prose, Anna Dewey, 2022 National Speech and Debate Tournament Qualifier in Humorous Interpretation and Rachael Mosshammer, 2022 National Speech and Debate Tournament Qualifier in Program of Oral Interpretation. Each of the students received a Certificate of Achievement from Board President, Elizabeth Parker.

Superintendent Reid introduced Mr. Don Jernigan and Scholarship Committee Members from the Choctaw High School Class of 1972. Mr. Jernigan gave a brief description of the Class of 1972's Give Back Program. He stated that the members of the Class of 1972 far exceeded their original goal of providing a \$1,000 scholarship to a CHS Class of 2022 graduate. The Class of 1972 proudly announced that six \$1,000 scholarships were being awarded to the following CHS graduating seniors: Joseph "Sonny" Tabor, Seth Garcia, Hailey Jordan, Sean Sumrell, Eli Payton and Lexie Smith.

Superintendent Reid stated that we had two district employees present this evening to receive their retirement plaque. Mr. Reid introduced Robert Ward (26 years) and Mary Fenderson (41 years) in education. President Parker presented each with their retirement plaque.

Superintendent Reid made the following comments:

- Including this week, we only have two weeks of school left. Congratulations to our sites for completing all of the state mandated testing. Appreciation goes out to Kelli Hosford, the site testing coordinators, and all of the staff who pitched in to proctor and monitor all of these tests.
- Each of our sites are conducting end of the year activities including events such as: Super Kid's Day, 2<sup>nd</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> grade tours, senior walks, various theatrical performances and shows, end of the year banquets, etc.
- Last week was Teacher Appreciation Week. I just want to say one more time how wonderful of a job the CNP teachers did this year.
- CHS Honor's Assembly was moved to tomorrow night due to last Monday's severe weather concerns.
- Congratulations to CHS Jazz Band for winning the 6A State Championship!
- CHS Drama held their final performances of the year on Friday and Saturday night by performing *Check Please*. The CHS Jazz Band will hold their final performance this Friday in the PAC at 7:00 p.m.
- Baccalaureate will be this Sunday in the PAC at 2:00 p.m. Graduation is next Monday. It will be held at FireLake Arena beginning at 7:00 p.m. Senior graduation ticket pick-up will be this Friday. Each graduate receives up to eight tickets.
- Last but not least, the Central Office will be open all summer on Monday-Thursday beginning May 23<sup>rd</sup>. It's a time where we get a lot of work done because our phones don't ring near as much with 5,650 students gone and teachers away for a couple of months.

There were no comments from board members.

Ms. Matherly moved, seconded by Mr. Alsup to approve the applications for OSSAA middle school coop program for the 2022-23 school year. The vote was unanimous.

Mr. Alsup moved, seconded by Mr. Crusoe to approve an out of state trip for Choctaw Theatre Arts trip to New York City through Worldstrides Student Travel on July 13-16, 2022. The vote was unanimous.

Mr. Crusoe moved, seconded by Ms. Matherly to accept a land donation and construction agreement between Jasmine Heights, L.L.C. (Grantor) and Independent School District #4 of Oklahoma County, Oklahoma d.b.a. Choctaw-Nicoma Park Schools (Grantee) for ten acres of land (M.O.L.) located on the south side of S.E. 29th Street between Westminster Road and Anderson Road for the purpose of constructing a new elementary school. The vote was unanimous.

Kevin Berry, Chief Financial Officer, stated that the month of May brings the close out of the current fiscal year and getting ready for the new one. Mr. Berry stated that revenue collections are coming in very strong and that they are much stronger than he had anticipated. Mr. Berry reported that we should end the year in pretty good shape. In closing, Mr. Berry stated that things are looking positive for the close out of the school year.

Mr. Alsup moved and seconded by Mr. Crusoe to approve encumbrances. Approved were the following: Fund 11 – #'s 958 -1272 - \$259,478.11; Fund 21 – #'s 156-186 - \$118,203.36; Fund 22 - #'s 59 – 63 - \$29,870.00; Fund 31 - # 13 - \$6,923.00; Fund 32 - # 1-3 - \$75,295.00; Fund 33 - #'s 8 -9 \$12,520.00; Fund 36 - #'s 12 –15 - \$16,859.17; and Fund 86 - # 32-34 - \$8,039.79. The vote was unanimous.

Mr. Crusoe moved, seconded by Mr. Alsup to approve a Memorandum of Understanding with Oklahoma County Sheriff's Office to provide a School Resource Officer for the 2022-23 school year. The vote was unanimous.

Mrs. Modisette moved, seconded by Mr. Crusoe to approve American Fidelity to serve as the district's Section 125 Plan Service provider for the 2022-23 school year. The vote was unanimous.

Ms. Matherly moved, seconded by Mr. Alsup to approve a Sports Medicine Program Agreement with SSM Health for the 2022-23 school year. The vote was unanimous.

Mr. Crusoe moved, seconded by Ms. Matherly to approve the renewal of contract with Oklahoma Copier Solutions as provider of district lease and maintenance of copiers for the 2022-23 school year. The vote was unanimous.

Mr. Alsup moved, seconded by Mr. Crusoe to approve a renewal contract with Laserfiche for document imaging and storage for FY 2022-23. The vote was unanimous.

Ms. Matherly moved, seconded by Mr. Crusoe to approve the renewal of contract for TalentEd through PowerSchool until February 22, 2023. The vote was unanimous.

Mr. Alsup moved, seconded by Ms. Matherly to approve the renewal of UT Application Tracking through PowerSchool for the 2022-23 school year. The vote was unanimous.

Mr. Crusoe moved, seconded by Mr. Alsup to approve Oklahoma State School Boards Associations Annual Policy Maintenance Service Subscription for July 1, 2022 – June 30, 2023. The vote was unanimous.

Ms. Matherly moved, seconded by Mr. Alsup to approve an agreement with the Cooperative Council for Oklahoma School Administration for FY 2022-23 for District Level Services Program. The vote was unanimous.

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

Kelli Hosford, Assistant Superintendent of Student Services reported that Student Services is buzzing as always and has a bunch of good things happenings. She added, as Mr. Reid reported, we just have a few make up test to complete and state testing will be complete. There is still a few AP test to be completed as well. Mrs. Hosford stated that it takes a village to accomplish state testing and she wanted to just give a shout out to everyone that has been a part of this year's testing. Mrs. Hosford stated that Debbie Worley and Jennifer Wright also helped with testing our EDGE students. Mrs. Hosford stated that our Principals were testing, Counselors were the site coordinators and our community participated by coming in to monitor for our students. The enrollment process has been completed for ESY and we have 92 students that will be attending this summer. We have 19 certified staff and 13 support staff that will be assisting with ESY. There will have 12 days of ESY that will begin on June 14<sup>th</sup>. Mrs. Hosford stated that ELL tutoring is complete. It ended the last week of April; however, we were able to order the backpacks for the students that attended. Each backpack is based on a grade level and there is great non-fiction literature and they have access to many more books online with instructions for the parents. The books are in English and Spanish. We have two Valedictorian Factums that will be recognized at graduation. They will receive their stoll and their chords tomorrow evening at the awards ceremony. Our students that

qualified in various events will head to Stillwater on Thursday to compete in the Special Olympics. Mrs. Hosford stated that she would like to personally thank the staff and parents that have been attending the events with the students. Mrs. Hosford added that Stephanie Seagraves served as our Special Olympics Coordinator this year. Teacher Appreciation week was last week and on Thursday, Student Services invited the Student Services staff to stop by for lemonade and ice cream. Mrs. Hosford closed stating that she is beginning to work on our LEA Agreement and Assurances for next year and other end of the year reports. SEARCH testing is complete for this year and we had several new students qualify.

Dr. JeanAnn Gaona, Assistant Superintendent for Instruction, reported that CNP Elementary teachers voted to adopt McGraw-Hill's Wonder Program as their district's Elementary Arts textbook provider. In addition, to update our district's PK-2<sup>nd</sup> grade curriculum in ELA completely, Foundations for Phonics and Wilson for Phonemic Awareness will replace the current Saxon program. The ELA adoption contains reading, grammar, writing, and handwriting for the first time in one complete package. With the more robust offerings in phonics and phonemic awareness, our PK-5<sup>th</sup> grade students will not have an English Language Arts curriculum based entirely on the Science of Reading expectations. Next year, our secondary English Language Arts teachers will adopt their curriculum. This year, we have been examining our current novels lists so that by the end of the 2022-23 school year, a list of novels taught within our classrooms will be available online. Dr. Gaona continued stating that our Title VI program sponsored the first in-person districtwide event at Choctaw Middle School on April 21<sup>st</sup>. She reported that there were close to 100 attendees that enjoyed the Fancy Dancers and fry bread. Our dancer, Michael Pahsetopah, who wrote about the sign language of the Plains Indians discussed the dances but also taught the audience many of the signs used to communicate on The Trail of Tears when different tribes attempted to communicate without knowing one another's languages. Dr. Gaona added that she and Sina Nay have packed boxes of take-home summer backpacks for approximately 100 students. These backpacks were sent home at parents' request through Title VI funding so that skills will not be lost as students transition into their upcoming grade level. Each backpack also contained a craft project. Dr. Gaona stated that these were quite popular last year and based upon the survey results, we will continue to offer these backpacks next year. Dr. Gaona reported that after-school tutoring has ended for all of the Title VI and American Rescue Plan programs. The American Rescue Plan services will continue this July for students in Grades K-5<sup>th</sup> with a half day remediation/enrichment schedule that will be held four days a week for three weeks. Enrollment has been opened up first to students not receiving any services through another program but who are lagging behind their peers. Once their enrollment deadline passes, the applications will be open to other students until we are serving 100 students district-wide. This is the first year of this program and we hope to expand it next year as well as providing services for our Title I students. Our middle school and high school students will have an opportunity to participate in course or credit recovery depending upon their grade level. This program will have a fee attached and will hopefully serve students who do not wish to repeat courses during the school year that they failed this school year. Dr. Gaona shared that Carrie Fox from the Oklahoma History Center presented information regarding the Oklahoma History Center to the Social Studies Curriculum Council on April 27<sup>th</sup> after school. The teachers learned about historical trunks and fieldtrip scholarships that are available through the museum. We hope to have more presenters next year so that teachers have a plethora of resources to enhance teaching all aspects of Social Studies. In closing, Dr. Gaona added that the upcoming weeks will involve wrapping up this school year and closing out our title programs. Based upon the rough start with items at sea, quarantines from Covid, etc., we are ending strong.

At 6:44 p.m., Ms. Matherly made a motion, Mr. Alsup seconded, to enter into executive session. The vote was unanimous.

At 7:10 p.m., by a motion from Ms. Matherly and a second by Mr. Alsup, the board voted to return to open session. The vote was unanimous.

Mr. Crusoe moved, seconded by Ms. Matherly to approve the following certified recommendations: Heather Sander\*, effective 7/1/22; Shelbi Tran\*, effective 7/1/22; Jonathan Garfield\*, effective 7/1/22; Samuel Melton\*, effective 7/1/22; Sierra Bledsoe\*, effective 7/1/22; Andrea Murphy\*, effective 7/1/22; Jennifer Whitney\*\*, effective 7/1/22; Amber DeGuisti\*\*, effective 7/1/22; Melanie Corter\*, effective 7/1/22; Katherine Owensby\*\*, effective 7/1/22; Kayla Prather\*\*, effective 7/1/22; Victoria Mounce, effective 7/1/22; Gynger Harris\*\*, effective 7/1/22; Brendan Kane\*\*, effective 7/1/22; Kaitlyn Slade\*\*, effective 7/1/22; Melissa Fischer\*\*, effective 7/2/22; Jimmie Northrip\*\*, effective 7/1/22; Rebecca Webster, effective 7/1/22; Lyna Easley\*\*, effective 7/1/22; Keith Snyder\*\*, effective 7/1/22; and Rusty Hall\*\*, effective 7/1/22. The vote was unanimous.

Mr. Crusoe moved, seconded by Ms. Matherly, to approve the following certified resignations: Chelsea Truster, effective 5/1/22; Kari Cruzan, effective 5/19/22; Amy Fullbright, effective 5/19/22; Shelby Cowden, effective 5/19/22; Mitchell Gomez, effective 5/19/22; Lindsey Hartman, effective 5/19/22; Paula Childers, effective 5/19/22; Amber Balderamma, effective 6/30/22; Tanner Thorpe, effective 5/19/22 and Olivia Franklin, effective 5/19/22. The vote was unanimous.

Mr. Crusoe moved, seconded by Ms. Matherly to approve the following support recommendations: : Amanda Romero, effective 7/1/22; Amy Allen, effective 7/1/22; Renee Lewis, effective 7/1/22; Regina Chumney, effective 7/1/22; Debbie Thomas, effective 7/1/22; Sheryl Base, effective 7/1/22; Jonnie Hibbler, effective 7/1/22; Sara Reeves, effective 7/1/22; Nicola Meek, effective 7/1/22; Angela Coplen, effective 7/1/22; Madison Dockery, effective 7/1/22; Ashley Pittman,

effective 7/1/22; Patricia Thompson, effective 7/1/22; Monica Lewis, effective 7/1/22; Shelly Williams, effective 7/1/22; Debbie Weik, effective 7/1/22; Tamara Taylor, effective 7/1/22; Collette Couch, effective 4/29/22; Linda O'Dell, effective 4/27/22; Sharon Reed, effective 5/9/22; Sandy Michelle Neil, effective 5/9/22; and Marcia Smith, effective 4/26/22. The vote was unanimous.

Mr. Crusoe moved, seconded by Ms. Matherly to approve the following support resignations: Donna Coffin (retire), effective 6/30/22; Malinda Guzman, (retire), 6/30/22; Sherril Farriester, (retire), effective 6/30/22; Andrea Murphey, effective 5/19/22; Jennifer Whitney, effective 5/19/22; Jennifer Graziano, effective 5/6/22; Cathy Bishop, effective 6/30/22; Lori Lee, effective 5/19/22; Olivia Chambers, 5/19/22; Ruby Jordan, effective 5/19/22; Heather Farris, effective 6/30/22; Aidan Overholt (abandonment of position), effective 4/20/22; and Marlon Smith (terminated), effective 5/6/22. The vote was unanimous.

Ms. Matherly moved, seconded by Mr. Alsup to approve the following Child Nutrition Site Supervisors for the 2022-23 school year: Rita Black, Shawna Capps, Dana Finley, Joyce Grate, Lori Inman, Renee Jaudon, Tiffany Meske, Sandra Singleton, and Peggy Vinyard-Routh. The vote was unanimous.

Mr. Alsup moved, seconded by Mr. Crusoe to approve Josh Durant as the Principal for the Indian Meridian/James Griffith Intermediate Unified Campus. The vote was unanimous.

There being no further new business, at 7:17 p.m. a motion was made by Ms. Matherly and seconded by Mr. Alsup to adjourn. The vote was unanimous.

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