

THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT NUMBER ONE  
OF TULSA COUNTY, OKLAHOMA  
MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF JANUARY 9, 2023

A regular meeting of the Board of Education of Independent School District Number One of Tulsa County, Oklahoma, was held on January 9, 2023, commencing at 6:31 p.m., in the Cheryl Selman room, ground floor, at the Charles C. Mason Education, 3027 S. New Haven Avenue, Tulsa, Oklahoma. 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](https://tulsaschools.org) on January 6, 2023, at 4:45 p.m., pursuant to the provisions of Title 25, O.S., § 311(A)(9).

PRESENT: E'Lena Ashley  
Judith Barba Perez  
John Croisant  
Jerry Griffin  
Susan Lamkin  
Jennettie Marshall  
Stacey Woolley

ABSENT: None

### OPENING EXERCISES

Ms. Stacey Woolley, 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. Memorial High School JROTC leg the flag salute and posted the colors.

### SUPERINTENDENT'S CORRECTION TO AGENDA

There were no corrections to the agenda.

The meeting was paused at 6:38pm and resumed at 6:41pm due to technical difficulties.

### SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS/AWARDS/RESOLUTIONS

Dr. Deborah Gist introduced the executive director of communications to present the District News Round-up.

### APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

Ms. Barba Perez made a **motion** to approve the minutes of the November 16, 2022, and the December 1, 2022, special meetings of the board. Dr. Jerry Griffin **seconded** the motion, and the motion **passed** by the following vote:

AYE: Jerry Griffin, E'Lena Ashley, John Croisant, Susan Lamkin, Judith Barba Perez, Jennettie Marshall, and Stacey Woolley; NAY: None; ABSTAIN: None; ABSENT: None.

### CONSENT AGENDA

A **motion** was made by Board Member Barba Perez and **seconded** by Ms. Susan Lamkin. Dr. Gist and staff responded to questions of the board. The motion to approve the consent agenda **passed** with the following vote: AYE: Jennettie Marshall (with exception of E.10 and E.12), Susan Lamkin, Judith Barba Perez, John Croisant, E'Lena Ashley (with the exception of E.6 and E.12), Jerry Griffin on items E.15 through E.25, and Stacey Woolley; NAY: Jennettie Marshall on items E.10 and E.12, E'Lena Ashley on items E. 6 and E.12, and Jerry Griffin on items E.1-14; ABSTAIN: None; ABSENT: None.

### PUBLIC COMMENT ON ACTION AGENDA

Speaker #1 – G.1

Speaker #2 – G.1

Speaker #3 – G.1

### ACTION AGENDA

G.1 Recommendation: Approve a Resolution approving the Preliminary Official Statement and authorize the distribution of same for the District's Combined Purpose General Obligation Bonds, Series 2023A.

Board Member Croisant made a **motion** to approve item G.1, and the motion was **seconded** by Board Member Barba Perez. The motion **passed** with the following vote: AYE: Jerry Griffin, John Croisant, Susan Lamkin, Judith Barba Perez, Jennettie Marshall, and Stacey Woolley. NAY: E'Lena Ashley; ABSTAIN: None; ABSENT: None.

#### STAFF REPORT

There was no staff report.

#### BOARD MEMBER REPORTS

Board Member Judith Barba Perez announced her resignation from Board District Two seat after nearly two years of service. She stated that she was grateful to have had a part in making Tulsa Public Schools Board of Education meetings a place where more families and students feel comfortable to attend and share their voices. Due to an opportunity for her family out of state, she announced her resignation from her seat effective January 23, 2023, following the regular meeting of the board.

Board Member Jennettie Marshall shared that she had the opportunity to attend the parent academy at the parent resource center. She spoke highly of the speakers and offerings and encouraged families to take advantage of this resource. She also spoke of a visit from the creator of the Greenwood Avenue Project and encouraged the public to see it when it returns to Tulsa.

Mr. Croisant shared that a Tulsa World article referencing the recent collapse of athlete, Damar Hamlin hit close to home. He referenced a similar incident with an Edison student athlete who collapsed after practice. He credited coaching staff and an AED defibrillator with saving that student's life. He thanked those in the district for providing life-saving training and AED defibrillators to all of our coaches and schools throughout the district.

#### CITIZENS COMMENTS

There were no citizens' comments.

#### SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORTS/PRESENTATIONS

Dr. Gist recognized the board in honor of National School Board Recognition Month. Additionally, she congratulated the Class of 2022 winter graduates, the students participating in the Tulsa Debate League and the athletes placing in tournaments across the State.

#### OTHER NONROUTINE ITEMS REQUIRING BOARD ACTION

Board President Woolley shared information and requirements, referencing Title 26 section 13A-110 of state statute, regarding the process for addressing vacancies during a board member's term.

L.1 Recommendation: Accept the resignation of Judith Barba Perez, Board of Education member representing Election District Number Two, to be effective January 23, 2023, after the adjournment of any meeting of the Board on such date, and to declare such office to be vacant.

Mr. John Croisant made a **motion** to accept the resignation of Judith Barba Perez, Board member representing Election District Number Two, to be effective January 23, 2023, as stated in the language of the recommendation in agenda item L.1, and the motion was **seconded** by Dr. Jennettie Marshall.

Dr. Jerry Griffin made a motion to **amend the motion** on the floor to “accept Ms. Barba Perez’ resignation effective tonight” (January 9, 2023.) Ms. E’Lena Ashley **seconded** the motion.

Legal Counsel advised that the amendment was not appropriate in that the Board of Education cannot determine Ms. Barba Perez’ or any individual board members resignation effective date.

The original motion and second on the floor carried and was **approved** by the following vote: AYE: Jennettie Marshall, Susan Lamkin, John Croisant, E’Lena Ashley, Stacey Woolley; NAY: Jerry Griffin; ABSTAIN: Judith Barba Perez; ABSENT: None.

Board President Woolley opened discussion of the further recommend establishing the date the Board of Education would receive written applications until January 31, 2023, at 5:00pm.

Board Member Croisant made a **motion** to approve, and Board Member Ashley **seconded** the motion to set the written application deadline as January 31, 2023.

The board had discussion on this motion. The motion **failed** with the following vote:

AYE: E’Lena Ashley, Jerry Griffin; NAY: Jennettie Marshall, Susan Lamkin, John Croisant, and Stacey Woolley; ABSTAIN: Judith Barba Perez; ABSENT: None.

Dr. Marshall made a **motion** to set the application deadline date through January 20, 2023, at 5:00pm. Ms. Susan Lamkin **seconded** the motion. The motion **passed** by the following vote:

Dr. Marshall stated in the past the process was to allow all applicants an opportunity to speak at a board meeting following the close of the application submission deadline. Subsequently, she stated that interviews with the full board and applicants were held resulting in the narrowing down of the applicant pool to two for consideration.

Board President Woolley stated that if the motion on the floor is approved, the board would schedule all applicants an opportunity to speak at the January 23, 2023, regular meeting of the board.

AYE: Jennettie Marshall, Susan Lamkin, John Croisant, E’Lena Ashley, Stacey Woolley; NAY: None; ABSTAIN: Judith Barba Perez; PRESENT: Jerry Griffin; ABSENT: None.

Motion to go into executive session for the purpose of conducting confidential communications between the board of education and its attorneys concerning a claim in pending litigation, namely: Indep. Sch. Dist. #52 of Oklahoma County v. Hofmeister, et al., Case No. CV-2016-1965, a matter pending in the District Court of Oklahoma County, which was consolidated with Western Heights Independent School District #1-41 of Oklahoma County v. Oklahoma State Department of Education, et al., Case No. CJ-2016-4826, the board having been advised by its attorneys that disclosure will seriously impair the ability of the board to process the claim or conduct the litigation in the public interest, pursuant to Title 25, Section 307(B)(4) of the Oklahoma Statutes.

Mr. John Croisant made a **motion** to enter executive session and the motion was **seconded** by Board Member Jerry Griffin. The motion **passed** with the following vote: AYE: Jennettie Marshall, Judith Barba Perez, Susan Lamkin, John Croisant, E'Lena Ashley, Jerry Griffin, and Stacey Woolley; NAY: None; ABSTAIN: None; ABSENT: None.

#### EXECUTIVE SESSION

Board Members, Superintendent Deborah Gist, Chief Financial Officer, Jorge Robles and legal counsel entered into executive session at 8:17pm.

#### VOTE TO ACKNOWLEDGE RETURN TO OPEN SESSION

Mr. Croisant made a **motion** to return to open session. Ms. Susan Lamkin **seconded** the motion, and the motion **passed** with the following vote: AYE: Jerry Griffin, E'Lena Ashley, John Croisant, Susan Lamkin, Judith Barba Perez, Jennettie Marshall, and Stacey Woolley; NAY: None; ABSTAIN: None; ABSENT: None.

The board meeting open session resumed at 8:56pm.

#### STATEMENT OF EXECUTIVE SESSION MINUTE

Board President Woolley stated that during the executive session, the Board of Education held confidential communications with its attorneys concerning continued representation in Indep. Sch. Dist. #52 v. Hofmeister, et al., Case No. CV-2016-1965, a matter pending in the District Court of Oklahoma County and consolidated with Western Heights Independent School District #I-41 v. Oklahoma State Department of Education, et al., Case No. CJ-2016-4826, the board having been advised by its attorneys that disclosure will seriously impair the ability of the board to process the claim or conduct the litigation in the public interest, pursuant to Title 25, Section 307(B)(4) of the Oklahoma Statutes.

All of the members of the Board at this meeting were present at the executive session. Nothing else was discussed or occurred in executive session. This statement will constitute the minutes of the executive session.

#### NEW BUSINESS

There was no new business.

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS


President Woolley announced that the next regularly scheduled meeting of the Board of Education would be held on Monday, January 23, 2023, at 6:30 p.m.

There being no further business to come before the board, the meeting was adjourned at 8:57 p.m.

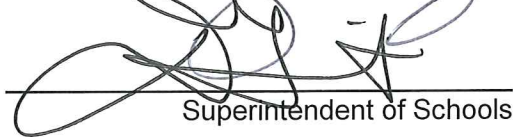
Let the record show the meeting was digitally recorded. The recording is on file as a matter of record.



Attorney for the School District



President, Board of Education



Superintendent of Schools



Clerk, Board of Education