

THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT NUMBER ONE
OF TULSA COUNTY, OKLAHOMA
MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF JUNE 20, 2023

A regular meeting of the Board of Education of Independent School District Number One of Tulsa County, Oklahoma, was held on June 20, 2023, commencing at 6:30 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 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 June 16, 2023 at 5:50 p.m., pursuant to the provisions of Title 25, O.S., § 311(A)(9).

PRESENT: E'Lena Ashley
John Croisant
Susan Lamkin
Diamond Marshall
Jennettie Marshall
Stacey Woolley

ABSENT: Jerry Griffin

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. The flag salute was led by Board Member John Croisant.

SUPERINTENDENT'S CORRECTION TO AGENDA

Superintendent Gist announced due to the recent city-wide storms limiting audio-visual resources and operational capacity at the Education Service Center, Citizens' Comments would be delayed until the next regularly scheduled meeting of the Board on July 10, 2023.

Board President Woolley requested a motion to reconvene the board meeting in progress at 6:43pm in room 200-C on the second floor of the Education Service Center.

Mr. John Croisant made the **motion**, and the motion was **seconded** by Ms. Diamond Marshall. The motion **passed** by the following vote:

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

The meeting was recessed from 6:33pm until 6:43pm.

Board President Stacey Woolley announced the reconvening of the Tulsa School Board meeting scheduled for June 20, 2023. She also stated that a quorum of the board was present to conduct the business of the meeting.

There were no special presentations, awards, or resolutions presented at the meeting.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

Mr. Croisant made a **motion** to approve the minutes of the June 5, 2023, regular meeting of the board. Board Member Diamond Marshall **seconded** the motion, and the motion **passed** by the following vote:

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

CONSENT AGENDA

A **motion** to approve the consent agenda was made by Board Member John Croisant, and the motion was **seconded** by Ms. Diamond Marshall.

Superintendent Gist and district staff answered questions of the board, and the consent agenda **passed** by the following vote:

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

PUBLIC COMMENT ON ACTION AGENDA

Speaker #1 – G.1 and G.2

Speaker #2 – G.1 and G.2

ACTION AGENDA

G.1 RECOMMENDATION: Board to receive bids for the purchase of \$36,820,000 Combined Purpose General Obligation Bonds, Series 2023B, and motion and vote to award said bonds to the lowest bidder complying with the notice of sale and instructions to bidders.

Board Member Woolley introduced Mr. Jon Wolff of Municipal Finance, Inc. to present the bids received from Robert W. Baird & Co., Inc., KeyBanc Capital Markets, Piper Sandler & Co, BOK Financial Security, Inc., and UBS Financial Services Inc.

Ms. Woolley asked for a motion to award the Combined Purpose General Obligation Bonds, Series 2023B to the lowest bidder, Robert W. Baird & Co., Inc. at an interest rate of 3.172811%.

Board Member Croisant made a **motion** to award the Combined Purpose General Obligation Bonds, Series 2023B to the lowest bidder, Robert W. Baird & Co., Inc. at an interest rate of 3.172811%. The motion was **seconded** by Board Member Diamond Marshall.

Mr. Wolff answered questions of the board, and item G.1 **passed** by the following vote:

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

G.2 RECOMMENDATION: Board to receive bids for the purchase of \$13,180,000 Combined Purpose General Obligation Bonds, Taxable Series 2023C, and motion and vote to award said bonds to the lowest bidder complying with the notice of sale and instructions to bidders.

Mr. Jon Wolff presented the bids received from Robert W. Baird & Co., Inc., Northland Securities, Inc., and BOK Financial Securities, Inc.

Board President Woolley requested a motion to award the Combined Purpose General Obligation Bonds, Taxable Series 2023C to the lowest bidder, Robert W. Baird & Co., Inc at an interest rate of 4.653329%.

Board Member John Croisant made a **motion** to award the Combined Purpose General Obligation Bonds, Series 2023C to the lowest bidder, Robert W. Baird & Co., Inc. at an interest rate of 4.653329%. The motion was **seconded** by Ms. Susan Lamkin, and the motion **passed** by the following vote:

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

G.3 RECOMMENDATION: Board to consider and vote on a resolution providing for the issuance of general obligation bonds in the sum of \$36,820,000 by the School District, authorized at an election duly called and held for such purpose (June 8, 2021); designating the bonds as "Combined Purpose General Obligation Bonds, Series 2023B", providing for registration thereof; providing for levy of an annual tax for the payment of principal and

interest on the same; and fixing other details of the issue.

Mr. Croisant made a **motion** to approve item G.3 The motion was **seconded** by Ms. Susan Lamkin, and the motion **passed** by the following vote:

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

G.4 RECOMMENDATION: Board to consider and vote on a resolution providing for the issuance of general obligation bonds in the sum of \$13,180,000 by the School District, authorized at an election duly called and held for such purpose (June 8, 2021); designating the bonds as "Combined Purpose General Obligation Bonds, Taxable Series 2023C", providing for registration thereof; providing for levy of an annual tax for the payment of principal and interest on the same; and fixing other details of the issue.

Board Member Croisant made a **motion** to approve, and Ms. Diamond Marshall **seconded** the motion. The motion **passed** by the following vote:

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

GOAL MONITORING REPORT

K-5 Literacy (Goal 1), K-5 Growth (Interim 1.1)

Board President Woolley reminded the board of the fundamental questions that they would be considering in their review of the report.

President Woolley called for the vote to accept receipt of the Goal 1/Interim Goal 1.1 report.

Board Member Croisant made a motion to accept the report, and Board Member Diamond Marshall seconded the motion.

Superintendent Gist introduced the report and answered questions of the board.

The motion **passed** by the following vote:

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

6-8 Literacy (Goal 2), 6-8 Growth (Interim 2.1)

Board President Woolley called for the vote to accept receipt of the Goal 2/Interim Goal 2.1 report.

Mr. Croisant made a **motion**, and Ms. Diamond Marshall **seconded** the motion to accept receipt of Goal 2/Interim Goal 2.1 report.

The board discussed the findings of the report, and Superintendent Gist answered questions of the board.

The motion to accept receipt **passed** by the following vote:

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

BOARD MEMBER REPORTS

Board Member Marshall shared her opportunity to attend a conference with the Oklahoma Parent Center as well as information regarding some of the speakers.

Ms. Woolley thanked all of the teachers for their hard work in assisting students in reaching their reading proficiency goals. She noted that from Spring 2022 to Spring 2023 the number of students meeting proficiency rose by 5% equating to approximately 900 students. She also highlighted during the same time frame that there were 1,600 additional students that met their literacy growth goals, greatly enhancing those students' lives.

Ms. Woolley also shared that when she was running for re-election that it was important to her constituents that she supported students that are part of the LGBTQIA community. In honor of Pride Month Ms. Woolley wanted all staff, students, and families of Tulsa Public Schools that are included in the LGBTQIA community to know that they are seen, loved, and valued for exactly who they are.

Ms. Diamond Marshall shared that those in our community who are part of the LGBTQIAA community who are transitioning may need additional support during the power outage to secure their medicines. She encouraged those who know of supports during the outage to share that information on social media and various platforms to assist those in need.

CITIZENS COMMENTS

This item was withdrawn from the agenda as announced in the Superintendent's corrections to the agenda.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORTS/PRESENTATIONS

Dr. Gist announced that Will Rogers Middle and High School ad hoc committee will be gathering community input on the naming of the Will Rogers baseball field and shared that the link to submit recommendations would be posted on tulsaschools.org from June 21 through July 5, 2023.

Additionally, Dr. Gist shared that Carver Middle School is beginning the naming process for their school gymnasium and that there would be more information to follow. Dr. Gist acknowledged Juneteenth and spoke about the complexity of Juneteenth to celebrate freedom, acknowledge history, reflect on the nation's progress, and be sobered and clear on the work that needs to be done. She also announced the Pride Parade happening on Saturday, June 24, 2023.

OTHER NONROUTINE ITEMS REQUIRING BOARD ACTION

There were no non-routine items.

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, July 10, 2023, at 6:30 p.m.

There being no further business to come before the board, the meeting was adjourned at 8:15 p.m.


Clerk, Board of Education


Attorney for the School District


President, Board of Education


Superintendent of Schools