

**MINUTES JANUARY 29, 2024 REGULAR MEETING – 12:00 P.M.**  
**CHOCTAW/NICOMA PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION**  
Ind. Dist. 4, Oklahoma County, Oklahoma

Place of Meeting  
Choctaw Administration Building, 12880 NE 10<sup>th</sup> St, Choctaw, OK 73020

Pamela Matherly, Board President, called the meeting to order at 12:00 p.m. President Matherly called roll to establish the following members were present: Jason Ross, Vice President, Janice Modisette, Clerk and Don Alsup, Asst. Clerk Jessica Salinas-Dengler, member, was not in attendance.

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

Mr. Reid shared with the board the reason for calling the meeting today was to ask the board to consider setting a hearing date, time, and location for a termination hearing for Ms. Kelly Bacot. He further explained that on January 17<sup>th</sup> teachers from Nicoma Park Elementary reported to site administration they had smelled alcohol on the breath of Ms. Bacot. The site administration checked in on the teacher and also smelled the presence of alcohol. Mr. James, Assistant Superintendent for Human Resources, was summoned to NPE. Three school resource officers, two from OK County Sherriff's Office and one from the city of Choctaw, were also summoned. One of the OK County Sherriff's Officers gave Ms. Bacot three separate field sobriety tests. Each of the three officers present indicated she had failed at least two of the three tests. Ms. Bacot disputed the claims and asked Officer Dear if she could use the high school breath analyzer. After breathing into the instrument, it registered that she had a high level of alcohol in her system. At that point, Ms. Bacot was notified by Mr. James she was being placed on suspension with pay. Mrs. Moseley and Mrs. Karnes then drove Ms. Bacot to her house.

Mrs. Modisette moved, seconded by Mr. Alsup to approve to have the termination hearing be set for March 7, 2024 at 12:00 pm. The meeting will be held in the Choctaw-Nicoma Park Boardroom. She further motioned Ms. Bacot be sent official notice of the hearing along with Superintendent Reid's recommendation. The vote was unanimous.

Mr. Ross moved and Mrs. Modisette seconded to adjourn the meetings at 12:07. The vote was unanimous.

BOARD OF EDUCATION:

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Pamela Matherly, President

Jason Ross, Vice President

Janice Modisette, Clerk

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Don Alsup, Asst. Clerk

Jessica Salinas-Dengler, Member