

THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT NUMBER ONE  
OF TULSA COUNTY, OKLAHOMA  
MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF APRIL 1, 2024

A regular meeting of the Board of Education of Independent School District Number One of Tulsa County, Oklahoma, was held on April 1, 2024, 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](https://tulsaschools.org) on March 29, 2024, at 4:00 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: 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. Board Member Susan Lamkin led the flag salute.

## SUPERINTENDENT'S CORRECTION TO AGENDA

Superintendent Johnson shared that agenda item G.3, to approve the purchase of two additional buses, was part of the State Contract #SW1110. Also, due to the severe weather forecast the consent agenda, public comment on the action agenda, and the vote on the action agenda items were moved earlier on the agenda to precede Special Presentations/Awards/Resolutions.

## APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

There were no board minutes submitted for approval.

## CONSENT AGENDA

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

Superintendent Johnson and district staff answered questions of the board. The consent agenda **passed** with the following vote:

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

## PUBLIC COMMENT ON ACTION AGENDA

Speaker #1 – G.1

Speaker #2 – G.1 and G.2

Speaker #3 – G.1

Speaker #4 – G.1

## ACTION AGENDA

G.1 RECOMMENDATION: Approve supplement #1 with Starr Design Group, Inc. to provide engineering services for the Tulsa Transition Academy. This contract was originally awarded as part of the RFP# 21047. The consent of assignment was approved on the January 8, 2024 agenda, item E.16 from Allied Engineering Group LLC to Starr Design Group LLC.

Board President Woolley asked that Dr. Johnson speak to the Tulsa Transition Academy with regard to its offerings and program and wait to discuss recommendations regarding the location of the academy.

Superintendent Johnson stated that she wanted to let the community and the broader public understand what the Tulsa Transition Academy is and where it derived from. Dr. Johnson

introduced Ms. Debbie Renz, the executive director of exceptional student services who presented on the program and answered questions of the board.

Board President Woolley made a **motion to table** agenda item G.1, and Board Member Marshall **seconded** the motion to table. 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: None.

G.2 RECOMMENDATION: Approve supplement #10 with Crossland Construction Managers Inc. for the Tulsa Transition Academy interior renovation project. This contract was originally awarded as part of the RFP# 22001.

Board Member Croisant made a **motion to table** item G.2, and Ms. Diamond Marshall **seconded** the motion. 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: None.

G.3 RECOMMENDATION: Approve the purchase of two exceptional student services buses to support the Tulsa Transition Academy from the current state contracts. State Contract #SW1110.

A **motion** was made by Mr. John Croisant to consider agenda item G.3, and the motion was **seconded** by Ms. Susan Lamkin.

Dr. Ebony Johnson answered a question of Board Member Croisant, and the motion **passed** by the following vote:

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

#### **SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS/AWARDS/RESOLUTIONS**

Ms. Nancy Leonard, president of AFT local chapter 6049 and Julie Washington, the SW Region Coordinator for the AFT Human Civil Rights and Community Relations department gave an update on the AFT sponsored Family Night at Burroughs Elementary.

Ms. Caroline Crouch presented the District News Round-Up.

#### **STAFF REPORT**

There was no staff report presented.

#### **BOARD MEMBER REPORTS**

Board Member Jennettie Marshall thanked Dr. Johnson and Mick Wilson for acting expeditiously to ensure the plaque for the naming of the commons area at McLain, Tatia Brown, was properly completed.

Ms. Diamond Marshall thanked the community who entrusted her into her Board District 2 position, especially those that spoke on her behalf during the board appointment process. She shared that her role has been nothing short of exciting and at times surprising. She also encouraged all to vote in the Board District Elections, but she firmly feels that District 2 is a beautiful place that deserves proper representation.

Board President Woolley also shared that there are three board districts that up for election. She reminded the community of the importance of voting and to confirm what district they reside in due to the recent redistricting.

### CITIZENS COMMENTS

Speaker #1 – HIV Education

Speaker #2 – Thanking the board for support, sharing positive experiences at TPS, and urging the public to vote for school board candidates that believe in public education.

Speaker #3 – Plea for action for sensible and balanced leadership that continues to support positive programs with positive outcomes.

Speaker #4 – The importance of voting in the school board elections and having your voice heard.

Speaker #5 – Vote in the school board elections April 2.

### SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORTS/PRESENTATIONS

Dr. Johnson began her report by speaking about the amazing Tulsa Public school students who have received and are receiving Postsecondary Acceptance letters. Many were posted in the back of the room for attendees to see. There was a sampling of students represented with opportunities across the state and country. She also reminded the public that National College Decision Day on May 1 is quickly approaching.

Next, she shared additional information on the Tulsa Transition Academy, and reminded everyone to vote in the School Board Election on April 2, 2024.

In conclusion, she expressed her gratitude for the service of Ms. Diamond Marshall, the youngest elected school board member in the state of Oklahoma.

### NON-ROUTINE ITEMS

L.1 Motion, second, discussion and vote on motion to go into executive session for the purpose of conducting confidential communications between the board and its attorneys concerning pending litigation, to wit: Christian Posada, Father and Next Friend of S.P., a Minor v. Tulsa Public Schools, Tulsa County District Court Case No. CJ-2023-03113, 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.

L.2 Executive session

Board Member John Croisant made a **motion** to go into executive session, 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: None.

The Board, Dr. Ebony Johnson, and legal counsel entered executive session at 8:34 p.m.

**L.3** Vote to acknowledge return to open session.

Mr. John Croisant made a **motion** to return to open session. The motion was **seconded** by Ms. Susan Lamkin, and the motion **passed** by the following vote:

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

The meeting returned to open session at 8:55 p.m.

**L.4** Statement of executive session minute

Board President Woolley shared the following statement, "During the executive session, the board conducted confidential communications with district attorneys concerning pending litigation, to wit: Christian Posada, Father and Next Friend of S.P., a Minor v. Tulsa Public Schools, Tulsa County District Court Case No. CJ-2023-03113, 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."

**L.5** Motion, second, discussion and vote on motion to approve settlement of pending litigation, to wit: Christian Posada, Father and Next Friend of S.P., a Minor v. Tulsa Public Schools, Tulsa County District Court Case No. CJ-2023-03113 and authorize the district's attorneys to take all actions necessary to complete the settlement.

Board Member John Croisant made a **motion** to approve agenda item L.5 as submitted, and Ms. Susan Lamkin **seconded** the motion. 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: None.

NEW BUSINESS

There was no new business.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Ms. Stacey Woolley announced that the next regularly scheduled meeting of the Board of Education would be held on Monday, April 15, 2024, 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