MINUTES FOR FEBRUARY 10, 2025 REGULAR MEETING – 6:00 P.M.
CHOCTAW/NICOMA PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION
Ind. Dist. 4, Oklahoma County, Oklahoma

Place of Meeting
Nicoma Park Elementary, 1200 N. Hickman, Choctaw, OK 73020

Jason Ross, Board President, called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. President Ross called roll to establish the following members were present: Janice Modisette, Vice President, Don Alsup, Clerk, Jessica Salinas-Dengler, Asst Clerk and Staci Johnson, Member.

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

Mrs. Johnson moved, seconded by Mrs. Salinas-Dengler to approve the January 13, 2025 regular board meeting minutes. The vote was unanimous.

Ambra Smith, ACT President, reported that everyone is just trying to stay well. She closed stated within the next week they will send out their annual questionnaires

Superintendent Reid stated that cast members from the upcoming musical "Hadestown – Teen Edition" were present this evening to give a sneak peak on the upcoming musical. CHS Drama Instructor, Maryjane Burton, gave a brief overview of the musical and the dates of times for the upcoming show. The students did an excellent job with performing a medley of 3 songs from the musical.

There were no comments from the floor regarding agenda items.

Superintendent Reid gave the following report:

- Superintendent Reid expressed his appreciation to Mrs. Flynn and her staff for hosting this evening's board meeting.
- Superintendent Reid stated that he would like to publicly acknowledge and say thank you to all of our counselors. Last week was national counselor's week. CNP Schools is blessed with many wonderful counselors who work closely with our students every day.
- Congratulations to Paula Sendall and the CHS Academic Team – 6A OSSAA Academic Bowl State Runner-up!
- We wish the best of luck to the winter sports and fine arts programs as they near the season ending tournaments. It seems crazy, but the spring sports and activities are in full practice mode and begin preseason activities either this week or in the very near future.
- Thank you again to Maryjane Burton and the drama/fine arts programs for the small sample of Hadestown. Mrs. Reid stated that he has never left a performance where he wasn't amazed at the talent and dedication of all involved. The performance dates are: February 21, 22, 28 and March 1 @ 7:30 p.m. and February 23 and March 2 @ 2:30 p.m.
- The legislative session began last week. There are over 3,000 bills that are being considered. Many of those would have an effect on schools. Superintendent Reid stated that he will continue attending weekly legislative briefings as well as working with state congressional delegates.
- In closing, Superintendent Reid gave a quick reminder that school will be out for students next Monday. Our staff will be having a professional development day.

Director of Bond Oversight, Todd Dilbeck reported the following on bond projects. **GME: Ross Group:** Efis is completed on the southside of the new building. Nichiha paneling is complete on the southwest side of the new building. Electrical rough in continues on the interior and exterior of the building. The fire suppression continues to be installed. Sheetrock is beginning in the classrooms/saferooms area. The footings have been poured on the lower level of the northside connecting the new hallway and elevator to both buildings. The new entrance has been cut out, connecting the hallway to the north building. Saferoom windows are being installed. Parapet around the roof has been completed. **CNP West: AC Owen:** Sewer line and water connection has started on the north side of 29th street located in the easement. Underground utilities have started. Plumbing in the saferoom area continues to be installed. The rest of the footings continue to be dug on the east wing of the building. The retention pond spillway drainage and tinhorn has been installed. **High School: Manhattan:** Electrical wiring and metal stud work above doorways continues. Painting is continuing on the upper and lower levels of the west wing. Ceiling grid is being installed in class rooms and offices. Cafeteria area and columns are being tiled. Glass is being installed on the storefront areas in the office, entrance and media center. North sidewalk and entrance have been poured. Fence columns are being constructed. **Band Room: Manhattan:** Sheetrock is completed in the office areas. Electrical rough in the office area is completed and interior framing and duct work is completed. Currently waiting on exterior waterproofing on the south side of the upper-level. **Tennis/ROTC:**

Manhattan: Plumbing has been installed and inspected. **Multipurpose Building: Quad Construction:** North concrete retaining wall is completed. West retaining wall is being constructed. Excess dirt has been moved to the VoAg farm. **Bill Jensen Field: Quad Construction:** Efis has been completed on the new concession. Awnings have been installed. Sheetrock has started on the inside of the concession. Restroom remodel will have plumbing completed and poured back by next week. The press box restroom sewer line will be tied in this week. **Choctaw Elementary: Goldsby:** Saferoom parapet has been completed. Waterproofing is completed on half of the exterior of the building. Efis installation has started on the west and north exterior walls. Exterior bricking is completed. Painter is working on the inside of the kitchen area and the vestibule.

There were no comments from board members.

Mrs. Modisette moved, seconded by Mr. Alsup to approve an out of state trip for CHS Track Teams to compete in the Bishop Lynch Track Meet in Dallas, TX on March 5, 2025. The date on the original agenda item was amended from 2005 to 2025. The vote was unanimous.

Mrs. Salinas-Dengler moved, seconded by Mrs. Johnson to approve an out of state trip for CHS baseball to attend a baseball tournament in Weatherford, TX on March 15-March 17, 2025. The vote was unanimous.

Mrs. Salinas-Dengler moved, seconded by Mrs. Johnson to approve an out of state trip for CHS Winter Guard to attend the WGI World Championships in Dayton, OH on April 3-5, 2025. The vote was unanimous.

Mrs. Modisette moved, seconded by Mr. Alsup to approve the following policy revision and new policies: : FO-R1 – Control and Discipline Policy; EHBC – Special Education; EHBCA-R – Extended School Year Programs Standards (Regulation); EHBCA – Extended School Year Services; EHBC-R3 – Child Identification, Location, Screening, and Evaluation Notice to Parents; FL-R – Compliance With Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974 (Regulation); and FEH – Transfers for Special Education Students. The vote was unanimous.

Kevin Berry, Chief Financial Officer reported that this is normal a slow period for the finance department. He stated that they have been ordering a lot of furniture and equipment for the new construction. He stated that we have received our initial allocation for Redbud money which was $753,000. Our total allocation will be somewhere in the area of $1,200,000 which is great because it goes directly into our building fund. He stated that we did get a surprise. He said the City of Choctaw liquidated their TIF that was scheduled to expire on December 31, 2024. There was some leftover TIF money that was sent to CNP and other entities such as EOC Tech Center. Mr. Berry reported that our portion was $498,000. He stated after much discussion with our auditor, it was decided that these funds would be placed in the Building Fund.

Mr. Alsup motioned, seconded by Mrs. Salinas-Dengler to approve encumbrances. Approved were the following: Fund 11 – #'s – 995 – 1071 – $61,111,51; Fund 21 – #'s 146-163 - $70,343.72; Fund 22 - # – 63 - $500.00, Fund 33 - #' 73-74- $11,238.00; and Fund 86 - # 19-21 - $3,000.00. The vote was unanimous.

Amy Ziemba, our district auditor from S&B CPA's & Associates, PLLC was present at the board meeting to go over the FY 2023-24 audit and answer any questions. All board members had previously received a copy of the audit for review. Ms. Ziemba gave a brief overview of the audit and balance of various funds. Ms. Zeimba stated that is was a very good audit with just one small issue. A support employee's check was found to be $340.00 short and it has since been corrected. She stated that this was listed as an exception and not a finding. She said this was a very minor finding. Ms. Ziemba told board members that Mr. Berry can give them her contact number should that have any further questions that they would like to ask her.

Mr. Alsup moved, seconded by Mrs. Salinas-Dengler to approve the financial audit for school year 2023-24. The vote was unanimous.

Mrs. Salinas-Dengler moved, seconded by Mrs. Johnson to approve an agreement between Palamar Modular Buildings and Choctaw-Nicoma Park Schools for (4) double classroom buildings in the amount of $513,850.00. The vote was unanimous.

Mrs. Modisette moved, seconded by Mr. Alsup to approve the consent agenda. The vote was unanimous.

Kelli Hosford, Assistant Superintendent of Student Services stated that February 2nd-5th, our school celebrated National School Counselor's Week. On February 10-14, our sites will be participating in National Kindness Weeks. Mrs. Hosford reported that the next Cook Center Zoom will be tomorrow night, February 11th. The topic will be Body Positivity and Positive Self Talk. Mrs. Hosford added that last week we held our Data Analysis meetings with all special education certified staff. Also, she stated that ESY teaching applications will be distributed on February 13th. Mrs. Hosford added that On February 7th, Mrs. Keiffer hosted District Test Coordinators across the metro area for their monthly meeting.

Additionally, she stated that our CMS special needs students received their medals on February 7 for participating in the arts and music portion of Special Olympics. Last, Mrs. Hosford stated that on March 7, Shilo Risenhoover, one of our teachers at BRIDGES has put together a district wide special needs family star gazing night with hands on accessible STEM activities. It will be held from 6:30 – 8:30 p.m. Mrs. Hosford expressed her appreciation to Westfall Elementary for hosting this event. She stated that there will be activities such as Sonification "Hearing the Starts), Building a Tactile Planisphere, Stargazing and Constellation Cookies, plus more.

Dr. JeanAnn Gaona, Deputy Superintendent of Academic Affairs reported that we have several exciting events happening in Academic Affairs this month. Next week, teachers will receive their final training of the year over Big Ideas, our math textbook adoption. The third edition for this year of the Curriculum Corner will also be sent out this month. Dr. Gaona stated that She and Debbie Worley attended at AI in Education Conference two weeks ago. She added that we will begin using several of the things that they learned at the conference in their department. This will include eventually training our administrators and teachers on several interesting tools that can be used. She added that they are also looking at our district policy to make sure that considerations are made regarding the use of AI in the classroom. More information will be released throughout the upcoming months. Dr. Gaona shared that our consolidated application has not been through the second state of pre-approval twice. She added that Amy Loudermilk can now file claims and that she is hopeful that our reimbursements will begin soon.

Mrs. Modisette moved, seconded by Mrs. Johnson to approve the following for adjunct certifications: Dustin Wall – PE. The vote was unanimous.

Dr. Gaona introduced, Mrs. Flynn, NPE Principal. Mrs. Flynn shared information regarding things happening at Nicoma Park Elementary. She stated that they had just recently held their first Sweetheart Dance and it was a very successful event.

At 6:34 p.m. with a motion made by Mrs. Johnson and seconded by Mrs. Modisette, the board entered into executive session. The vote was unanimous.

At 7:20p.m. with a motion by Mrs. Modisette and seconded by Mrs. Salinas-Dengler, the board voted to return to open session. The vote was unanimous.

Mrs. Modisette moved, seconded by Mrs. Johnson to approve the following certified recommendation: Dustin Wall**, effective, 1/22/25. The vote was unanimous.

Mr. Alsup moved, seconded by Mrs. Johnson to approve the following certified resignation: Col Kevin Jones, effective 6/30/25. The vote was unanimous.

Mr. Alsup moved, seconded by Mrs. Johnson, to approve the following support recommendations: Nichol Rimmer, effective 1/20/25; Angel Stone, effective 1/23/25, Sara Cornsilk, effective 1/23/25 and Kari-Ann Grant-Blum, effective 2/3/25. The vote was unanimous.

Mr. Alsup moved, seconded by Mrs. Johnson to approve the following support resignations: Stacy McCloud, effective 12/6/24, Haverdy McCausey, effective 12/20/24; Katherine Timbrook, effective 1/13/25; Brandi Buys, effective 1/22/5; Ryan Morrow, effective 1/30/25; Kindra Fletcher, effective 1/17/25, Stephanie Barnes, effective 1/31/25; and Jayneele Kirk-Kronholm, effective 1/2/8/25. The vote was unanimous.

Mr. Alsup moved, seconded by Mrs. Modisette to approve the reemployment of the following Central Office Administrators: Dr JeanAnn Gaona, Kelli Hosford, Dr. Michael James, Dr. Debbie Worley, Shanna Keiffer and Steve Keiffer for the 2025/26 school year. The vote was unanimous.

There being no further new business, at 7:23 p.m. a motion was made by Mrs. Modisette and seconded by Mrs. Johnson to adjourn. The vote was unanimous.

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