

MINUTES FOR APRIL 14, 2025 REGULAR MEETING – 6:00 P.M.
CHOCTAW/NICOMA PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION
Ind. Dist. 4, Oklahoma County, Oklahoma

Place of Meeting
Administration Office Board Room, 12880 N.E. 10th, Choctaw, OK 73020

Jason Ross, Board President, called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Mr. 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 stated that the next item on the agenda was election of officers for 2025-26. Mr. Ross called for nominations for the office of President. Mrs. Modisette nominated Don Alsup, seconded by Jessica Salinas-Dengler. The vote was unanimous. Mr. Alsup assume the position of President. President Alsup called for nominations for the office of Vice President. Jessica Salinas-Dengler nominated Staci Johnson, seconded by Janice Modisette. The vote was unanimous. President Alsup called for nominations for the office of Assistant Clerk. Jason Ross nominated Staci Johnson and Jessica Salinas-Dengler seconded. The vote was unanimous.

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

Mrs. Johnson moved, seconded by Mrs. Salinas-Dengler to approve the March 3, 2025 regular board meeting minutes and the April 2, 2025 special board meeting minutes. The vote was unanimous.

Ambra Smith, ACT President, reported that they are looking forward to the Teacher of the Year announcement tomorrow evening. Mrs. Smith added that they are very excited for Chrystal Reis, who was our Teacher of the Year last year, who is one of the finalists for State Teacher of the Year. Mrs. Smith stated that Choctaw Elementary students Kindergarten and 1st grade students attended Read Across Oklahoma. She stated that they received a grant and they were able to go to the zoo, fully paid, and a children's book author. In closing she stated that state testing has started.

There were no comments from the floor regarding agenda items.

Superintendent Reid stated that have 7 speech/drama students and one band student present this evening that are recipients of the Oklahoma State Department of Education's Award for Arts Excellence. CHS drama teacher, Maryjane Burton, and CHS Band Director, Ray Eary, spoke about the application process for this award. President Alsup presented certificates of achievement to: Brody Bork, Rylie Brown, Ryker Burnett, Tehani Cromar, Jared Malan, Ella Smith, Max Whitlock and Nicholas Rainey.

Superintendent Reid gave the following report:

- Congratulations once again to Jason Ross for running unopposed and our sincere appreciation for his willingness to serve another five-year term on the board. The work that a board does is often overlooked, but I would like to thank each of you for your willingness to serve the students, staff and patrons of CNP.
- Congratulations to the speech and drama department for winning a 3rd straight 6A State Title for Speech and Debate. They also have five individuals state champions.
- Congratulations to the CHS Winter Guard for winning the 6A state title. We will try to arrange board certificates for these two groups at the May board meeting.
- We are looking forward to our annual teacher of this year celebration on Tuesday, April 15th @ 6 pm in the PAC. The district Citizen of the Year will be announced as well.
- State testing opens tomorrow for grades 3rd-8th and we will have testing going on throughout the district for about the next three weeks.
- The final quarter of the year is moving fast and there are a lot of activities packed into the short amount of time left. Graduation is one of those activities and it is schedule for Wednesday, May 14 on Jensen Field at 7 p.m. Protocols have been shared with students and parents on what we would do should the event need to be postponed due to weather concerns.

Director of Bond Oversight, Todd Dilbeck reported on the following bond projects: Manhattan: High School – Mill Work continues to be installed. Ceiling tile is being installed in the shelter. Tape and bed in the south wing. Cafeteria ceiling tile and light fixtures are being installed. Media center ceiling has been painted. Tile is completed on the second floor of the atrium. Entrance foyer is getting efis applied. Interior doors are being installed. Storm water drain has been installed on the south side of the high school and down spouts are being connected to the drain. Manhattan: ROTC/Tennis Building – Electrical rough in continues along with HVAC. Scaffolding has been placed around he building to start the efis work. Manhattan: Band Building – Finishing up sheetrock in the office area and entrance on the

east side. Quad: New Concession – Electrical wiring has started and light fixtures are being installed in the existing restrooms. All concrete has been poured back inside the restroom areas and new block and plumbing is completed in both areas of the restrooms. AC unit and pad is installed. Quad: Multipurpose Building – poured the lower slab on Tuesday. The retaining wall is 4' from completion. Additional piers have been drilled and installed. Goldsby: Choctaw Elementary – Painter has final paint in the vestibule corridor and doors. The window frame has been installed and currently waiting on the glass. Heat and air ducts are up in the saferoom. Roof installation has begun. Door frame of the saferoom exit has been installed. Dry wall is being hung in Area B (classrooms) will be completed this week. Ross: GME: Brick masons are finishing up on the west side of the walkway connecting the buildings. Upper roof area A (office), the connecting hallway roof has started. The exterior waterproofing has started on the east side of the hall way connection. Storefronts have been installed. Drywall hanging in Area B (classrooms) will be completed this week. AC Owen: CNP Heartland – Vertical ICF (saferoom) has been poured. Pouring half of slab area on Tuesday. MEP finishing up area A and will transition to Area C. Paving will begin next week around the perimeter and one of the parking lots. Public utilities are almost to Westminster 200 feet to complete. OG&E has started to install the main service run to the site transformer. Steel is set for delivery on April 28, 2025. Exterior frames and doors will be delivered the beginning of the week. Vo-AG Show Barn has been advertised for Request for Qualification: Journal Record 4/10/2025 – 4/14/2025

There were no comments from board members.

Mrs. Modisette moved, seconded by Mrs. Salinas-Dengler to approve the renewal of membership with Oklahoma State School Boards Association for 2025-26. The vote was unanimous.

Mrs. Modisette moved, seconded by Mr. Ross to adopt the CNP Oklahoma Teacher Empowerment Program. The vote was unanimous.

Kevin Berry, Chief Financial Officer reported that the Business Office has been very busy purchasing items that are needed for the new Choctaw High School. He added that at next month's board meeting he will be bringing an agenda item regarding surplus items from the old Choctaw High School.

Mrs. Johnson motioned, seconded by Mrs. Salinas-Dengler to approve encumbrances. Approved were the following: Fund 11 – #'s – 1123 – 1243 – \$136,409.38; Fund 21 – #'s 182-212 - \$977,681.22; Fund 22 - # – 65-69 - \$51,744.86, Fund 33 - #'s 93-102- \$963,977.89; Fund 41 - #'s 3-4 - \$4,935,100.00 and Fund 86 - # 24-25 - \$83,142.00. The vote was unanimous.

Mrs. Salinas-Dengler moved, seconded by Mrs. Modisette to approve the renewal of services for EduSkills in the amount of \$10,120.00 for the 2025-26 school year. The vote was unanimous.

Mrs. Modisette moved, seconded by Mrs. Salinas-Dengler to approve a Software Service Agreement in the amount of \$32,899.64 with SylogistEd for the 25-26 school year. The vote was unanimous.

Mr. Ross moved, seconded by Mrs. Johnson to approve membership with Oklahoma Public School Resource Center in the amount of \$2,500.00 for the 25-26 school year. The vote was unanimous.

Mrs. Modisette moved, seconded by Mrs. Salinas-Dengler to approve a new activity fund account – CHS E-sports. The vote was unanimous.

Mrs. Modisette moved, seconded by Mrs. Salinas-Dengler to approve the consent agenda. The vote was unanimous.

Kelli Hosford, Assistant Superintendent of Student Services stated that our high school students participated in the US History and science state testing. There were several activities taking place that day so the counselors are working on makeup tests for those students. Our juniors participated in the ACT on April 9. State testing opening tomorrow for our 3rd graders and the 17th for our 4th through 8th graders. This is a huge undertaking for Shanna, our counselors, administrators, teachers and students. A huge thank you to everyone as they persevere through this time of year. Mrs. Hosford reported that we celebrated National Para Day on April 3rd. Additionally, she added that Janna Walters has completed SEARCH testing at our sites. Thank you to Janna for her work with this. Our middle School IEP students served in our more intensive programs will be attending the Charlie's Champions Welcome and Orientation at CHS on April 25th from 12:00 to 1:30. Mrs. Hosford reported that EL tutoring closes at the end of this month and our BRIDGES program is going well. She stated that we have a few students beginning to transition back to their home sites and new students are coming in. She added that our Special Olympians competed in Regionals last week in trace. All placed and received a ribbon. In two weeks, our Olympians compete in partner activities with the neurotypical peers in bocce ball and cornhole. State is May 15, in Stillwater. Mrs. Hosford reported that ESY is planned for July and we have approximately 135 students who will attend. In closing, Mrs. Hosford shared the Student Services office is working on EOY date for the June 30th deadline.

Dr. JeanAnn Gaona, Deputy Superintendent of Academic Affairs reported that she and Debbie Worley had the privilege of walking around a few sites last week. She stated that Spring is definitely in the air, but you can also feel that joyous presence of spring. In fact, next month in the Curriculum Corner, Dr. Gaona stated that you will see two pictures from two of our PreK classes. In one, students are exploring x-rays on light tables. In another, the ultimate sign of spring, new baby chicks are featured. Imagine having these opportunities at the age of four. Our teachers are doing amazing, creative things for even our youngest students. She continued stating that the Academic Affairs department is currently meeting with curriculum councils to set next year's goals and close up the school year – which is hard to believe! She states that we are still awaiting word on the approval of the Social Studies and Science standards by our legislatures. It seems that both sets of standards will be passed along to the governor with no changes. However, as with most things, we will wait and see. Next year we will select Social Studies textbooks. So far, only one publisher has elected to respond for the call to bids, so it may be selection by default. In closing, I hope that spring remains a time of happiness for all of our school sites.

At 6:27 p.m. with a motion made by Mrs. Modisette and seconded by Mrs. Ross, the board entered into executive session. The vote was unanimous.

At 6:45 p.m. with a motion by Mr. Ross and seconded by Mrs. Modisette, the board voted to return to open session. The vote was unanimous.

Mrs. Modisette moved, seconded by Mrs. Salinas-Dengler to approve the following certified resignations: Karen Duvall (retire), effective 5/16/25; Angela Harvey (retire), effective 5/16/25; Lisa Whitwell (retire), effective 5/16/25; Cheryl Lidia (retire), effective 5/16/25; Rebecca Flynn, effective 6/30/25; Tracy Hastings (retire), effective 5/16/25; Steve Keiffer (retire), effective 6/30/25; Mason Anthony, effective 3/14/25; Cody Jones, effective 5/16/25; JoEllen Noble (retire), effective 5/16/25; Tracy Cramer (retire), effective 5/16/25; Shilo Risenhoover, effective 5/16/25; Samuel Melton, effective 4/9/25 and Sarah Quistgard, effective 5/16/25. The vote was unanimous.

Mrs. Modisette moved, seconded by Mrs. Salinas-Dengler to approve the following certified recommendations: Shelby Williams, effective 7/1/25; David Weston*, effective 7/1/25; Tricia Wilson*, effective 7/1/25; Crystal Rainey*, effective 7/1/25; Katherine Anderson*, effective 7/1/25; Milissa Cagle, effective 7/1/25; Jackson Parker, effective 7/1/25; Jakob Gunter*, effective 7/1/25; Dionne Dunagan*, effective 7/1/25; Travis Irwin, effective 7/1/25; Melinda Anderson, effective 7/1/25; Sara Richardson, effective 7/1/25; William Mayes, effective 7/1/25; Kailee Smith*, effective 7/1/25; Emily Harris, effective 7/1/25; Brittany Farthing, effective 7/1/25; Juli Weatherly, effective 7/1/25; Angela Moore, effective 7/1/25; Kylee Richey, effective 7/1/25; Katharine Gaddis, effective 7/1/25; Stacy Glidewell, effective 7/1/25; Jessica Maloney*, effective 7/1/25; Lee Ann Purvis*, effective 7/1/25; Rynae Blasingame, effective 7/1/25; Catherine Cowden*, effective 7/1/25; Josh Sitton, effective 7/1/25; Breanna Baker, effective 7/1/25; Lindsey Eubanks, 7/1/25; Mackenzie Rameno*, effective 7/1/25; Natalie Waxenfelter*, effective 7/1/25; Rebekah Black, effective 7/1/25; Katelyn Durant, effective 7/1/25; Melaney Winkleback*, effective 7/1/25; Jessica Nichols, effective 7/1/25; Meagan Venzor*, effective 7/1/25; Michelle Higgings*, effective 7/1/25; Pamela Kinsley, effective 7/1/25; Rebekah Newman*, effective 7/1/25; Ashley Rakestraw*, effective 7/1/25; Dustin Wall*, effective 7/1/25; Aaron Hagan*, effective 7/1/25; Janessa Larman*, effective 7/1/25; Jaymi McIlvoy, effective 7/1/25; Laura Mann*, effective 7/1/25; Jennifer Massey**, effective 7/1/25; Callie Ward**, effective 7/1/25; Maggie Goolsby**, effective 7/1/25; Brittany Filson*, effective 7/1/25; Marlise Chandler*, effective 7/1/25; Shelbi Mullings, effective 7/1/25; Rebecca Hall, effective 7/1/25; Jaylin Melton* 7/1/25; Tori Brown*, effective 7/1/25; Kimberly Thompson*, effective 7/1/25; Megan Gasaway, effective 7/1/25; Janet Burns*, effective 7/1/25; Chloe Gentry, effective 7/1/25; Jermaine Simpson, effective 7/1/25; Megan Rush*, effective 7/1/25; Lindsey Roberts*, effective 7/1/25; Olivia Mitchell**, effective 7/1/25; Josh Mendenhall**, effective 3/24/25; Carleigh Woods, effective 7/1/25; Alexa Wickware*, effective 7/1/25; Kacie Sexton**, effective 7/1/25; Stacie King*, effective 7/1/25; Kylee Begley**, effective 7/1/25; Mia Harris, effective 7/1/25; Abigail Lantz*, effective 7/1/25; Shelbi Tran*, effective 7/1/25; Reham Cox*, effective 7/1/25; Ericka Riley*, effective 7/1/25; Melissa Wynn, effective 7/1/25; Misty Gudino, effective 7/1/25; James Dodrill, effective 7/1/25; Chase Ferguson*, effective 7/1/25; Sherry Kueffler, effective 7/1/25; Taylor Means*, effective 7/1/25; Allison Sigman, effective 7/1/25; Erin Hall, effective 7/1/25; Taryn Weber, effective 7/1/25; Lori Timme*, effective 7/1/25; Aidan Ester*, effective 7/1/25; Kimberly Frederick*, effective 7/1/25; Richard Shannon*, effective 7/1/25; Garrett Hendley, effective 7/1/25; Heather Cobb, effective 7/1/25; Cassidy Fisher*, effective 7/1/25; Nicholas Brown**, effective 7/1/25; Lindsey Hopkins**, effective 7/1/25; Tanja Dalton**, effective 7/1/25; Amanda Romero**, effective 7/1/25; Javier Venzor, effective 7/1/25; Amy Campbell*, effective 7/1/25; Nicholas Bolton, effective 7/1/25; Willow Goertz-Flores, effective 7/1/25; Andrea York, effective 7/1/25; Catherin Weston**, effective 7/1/25; Susan Kitzrow, effective 7/1/25; Lindsey Sharp*, effective 7/1/25; Lisa Wisdom-Thomas, effective 7/1/25; Lori Pirtle, effective 7/1/25; Mark Walker, effective 7/1/25; Bryant Andrews, effective 7/1/25; Jalynn Carden*, effective 7/1/25; Kelli Barris**, effective 7/1/25; Terence Carter, effective 7/1/25; Rusty Hall, effective 7/1/25; Penni Young*, effective 7/1/25; Yolanda Corley, effective 7/1/25; Mary Cash*, effective 7/1/25; Laura Clark, effective 7/1/25; Trevante Porter*, effective 7/1/25; Debra Walker**, effective 7/1/25; Sara Schrempp*, effective 7/1/25; Justin Brown*, effective 7/1/25; Kimberly Smith, effective 7/1/25; Kimberly Hancock**, effective 7/1/25; Audrey Hawkins**, effective 7/1/25; Andrew Campbell*, effective 7/1/25; Cade Oller**, effective 7/1/25; Cortney Cunningham, effective 7/1/25;

Morgan Crabb**, effective 7/1/25; Madeliene Westenhaver*, effective 7/1/25; Michael Melton**, effective 7/1/25; Kanan Hansen**, effective 7/1/25' and Louis Sands*, effective 7/1/25.

Mrs. Modisette moved, seconded by Mrs. Salinas-Dengler to approve the following support recommendations: Jessica Martin, effective 3/3/25; Brian Bradley, effective, 3/24/25; Scott Cox, effective 7/1/25; Julie Lee, effective 7/1/25; Kyana Brotherton, effective 7/1/25; Kari-Anne Grant-Blum, effective 7/1/25; Kirby Higgin, effective 7/1/25; Amber Rodgers, effective 7/1/25; Jessica Cross, effective 7/1/25; Josh Crawford, effective 7/1/25; and Lynn Sumner, effective 4/14/25. The vote was unanimous.

Mrs. Modisette moved, seconded by Mrs. Salinas-Dengler, to approve the following support resignations: Billie Theriot, effective 3/14/25; Macy Judd, effective 6/30/25; Peggy Weber, effective 6/30/25; Laura Bryant, effective 6/30/25; Catherine Jackson, effective 6/30/25; David Jackson, effective 3/21/25; Christine Todd, effective 6/30/25; Avery Austin effective 6/30/25 and Cheri Kammerzell, effective 6/30/25. . The vote was unanimous.

Mrs. Salinas-Dengler moved, seconded by Mrs. Johnson, to approve Edwin Tillinger as Assistant Principal at CMS for the 2025-26 school year. The vote was unanimous.

Mr. Ross moved, seconded by Mrs. Modisette, to approve Chad Allcox as the Chief Financial Officer for the district effective July 1, 2025. The vote was unanimous.

Mrs. Salinas-Dengler moved, seconded by Mrs. Johnson to approve Shannon Shay as the Director of Elementary Education effective July 1, 2025.

Mrs. Johnson moved, seconded by Mr. Ross to approve Pam Cook as the Principal of Choctaw Elementary effective July 1, 2025. The vote was unanimous.

Mr. Ross moved, seconded by Mrs. Modisette to approve Miranda Pherigo as the Principal of Nicoma Park Elementary effective July 1, 2025. The vote was unanimous.

Mrs. Modisette moved, seconded by Mrs. Salinas-Dengler to approve Angie Fortune as the Principal at Westfall Elementary effective July 1, 2025. The vote was unanimous.

Mrs. Salinas-Dengler, seconded by Mrs. Modisette to approve JJ Venzor as a new Assistant Athletic Director at Choctaw High School effective July 1, 2025. The vote was unanimous.

Mrs. Johnson moved, second by Mr. Ross to approve Corey Alkire as the new Assistant Principal at Choctaw Elementary effective July 1, 2025. The vote was unanimous.

Mr. Ross moved, seconded by Mrs. Salinas-Dengler to approve Cynthia Lang as the new Assistant Principal at Griffith Meridian Elementary effective July 1, 2025. The vote was unanimous.

Mrs. Johnson moved, seconded by Mr. Ross to approve Rusty Hall as the new Assistant Principal at Choctaw High School effective July 1, 2025. The vote was unanimous.

Mrs. Salinas-Dengler moved, seconded by Mrs. Modisette to approve Destiny Corbin as the new Assistant Principal at LW Westfall Elementary effective July 1, 2025. The vote was unanimous.

Mrs. Modisette moved, seconded by Mrs. Johnson to approve the reemployment of regular site teacher for the 2025-26 school year as listed on Attachment B – Personnel Report. The vote was unanimous.

There being no further new business, at 6:58 p.m. a motion was made by Mrs. Modisette and seconded by Mrs. Salinas-Dengler to adjourn. The vote was unanimous.

BOARD OF EDUCATION:

Don Alsup, President

Janice Modisette, Vice President

Jessica Salinas-Dengler , Clerk

Staci Johnson, Asst. Clerk

Jason Ross, Member