

COMMERCE PUBLIC SCHOOLS

REGULAR MEETING BOARD OF EDUCATION SEPTEMBER 10, 2007

1. The Commerce Board of Education met in regular session Monday, September 10, 2007, in the High School Library. Those present were Steve Hartman, Gene Langston, Jim Cossairt, and Paula Tedlock. Dan McMMain was absent. A quorum being established the meeting was called to order by Steve Hartman at 6:34 p.m.
2. Tedlock gave the invocation.
3. Consent Agenda:
 - a. Minutes of the August 13, 2007 regular board meeting.
 - b. Approval of the monthly financial report of activity funds.
 - c. Approval of the monthly treasurer's report.
 - d. Approval of the list of General Fund encumbrances and warrants for August payroll.
 - e. Approval of the list of General Fund encumbrances and warrants for July payroll (\$78,842.07).
 - f. Approval of the list of General Fund warrants and claims for August bills.
 - g. Approval of the list of Building Fund warrants and claims for June encumbrances.
 - h. Approval of the list of Building Fund warrants and claims for August bills.
 - i. Approval of the list of Child Nutrition Fund warrants and claims for June encumbrances.
 - j. Approval of the list of Child Nutrition Fund warrants and claims for August bills.
 - k. Approval of the list of substitute teachers for SY 2007-2008.
 - l. Approval of the list of substitute cooks for SY 2007-2008.
 - m. Approval of the additional list of fundraisers for SY 2007-2008.


Motion by Cossairt, second by Tedlock to approve items "a-m" as recommended by Superintendent, Jim Haynes. Vote: Cossairt-yes, Tedlock-yes, Hartman-yes, Langston-yes, McMMain-absent.

4. Hartman thanked the guests for attending the board meeting.
5. No Public Communications

6. Administrator's Report:
 - a. Haynes advised the board of the North Central Accreditation award. He also advised them that he was still working with Pepsi on their proposed contract.
 - b. Elementary Principal Kevin Wade advised the board that they were having Parent-Teacher Conference on Thursday September 13 and 20 and then school would be dismissed on Friday September 21.
 - c. No Middle School report.
 - d. High School Principal Jim Buttram advised the board that he had an enrollment of 245. Also, the drug dog has been at the school three times so far this year. He mentioned that he is having problems with students using their cell phones to text each other and that the air conditioner in the kitchen is now up and running.
 - d. No Athletic Directors report.
7. Superintendent Haynes reported there were no deficiencies in the Accreditation Report for the 2007-2008 school year.
8. Motion by Cossairt, second by Langston to approve the School District 2007-2008 Estimate of Needs and Financial Statement of the Fiscal 2006-2007. Vote: Cossairt-yes, Langston-yes, Tedlock-yes, Hartman-yes, McMMain-absent.
9. No public present for comments.
10. No motion was made on the policy on student release to their parents after away athletic or extra curricular activities. The board wanted Mr. Buttram so see how his checkout procedure worked for a month or two before they made a board policy.
11. Motion by Tedlock, second by Cossairt to approve the Alternative Education Plan. Vote: Tedlock-yes, Cossairt-yes, Langston-yes, Hartman-yes, McMMain-absent.
12. Motion by Cossairt, second by Langston to approve the Gifted Educational Program Annual Update. Vote: Cossairt-yes, Langston-yes, Tedlock-yes, Hartman-yes, McMMain-absent.
13. No action was taken on the Gifted and Talented Summary Budget as no allocation was received.
14. Motion by Tedlock, second by Langston to approve the statutory waiver Application for Alexander Elementary School for an exemption from not more then one (1) school day shall be counted for attendance purposes in any twenty-four hour period. Vote: Tedlock-yes, Langston-yes, Hartman-yes, Cossairt-yes, McMMain-absent.

15. Motion by Cossairt, second by Tedlock to approve the request by Baker Martial Arts to hold a closed tournament for BMA students only on November 3, 2007 from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. in the Commerce High School gymnasium. Vote: Cossairt-yes, Tedlock-yes, Langston-yes, Hartman-yes, McMMain-absent.
16. Proposed executive session to discuss:
 - a. status of current negotiations with the Commerce Association of Classroom Teachers with no resulting vote to be made. 25 O.S. § 307(B)(2).
 - b. status of current negotiations with the Commerce Education Support Personnel of Oklahoma so that the Board can return to open session and vote to ratify or not ratify the Negotiated Agreement between the Board and the Commerce Education Support Personnel of Oklahoma. 25 O.S. § 307 (B)(2).
 - c. employing, hiring, appointing, promoting, demoting, disciplining, or receiving the resignation of an employee, with no resulting vote to be made. 25 O.S. § (307)(B)(1).
17. Motion by Tedlock, second by Cossairt to convene in executive session. Vote: Tedlock-yes, Cossairt-yes, Langston-yes, Hartman-yes, McMMain-absent. Time: 8:03 p.m.
18. Motion by Cossairt, second by Langston to return to open session. Vote: Cossairt-yes, Langston-yes, Tedlock-yes, Hartman-yes, McMMain-absent. Time: 8:54 p.m.
19. Hartman said, "Only items listed on the executive session agenda was discussed and no votes were taken. Those present in executive session were the four board members, Mr. Haynes, Mr. Wade, Mr. Brough and Mr. Buttram."
20. Motion by Tedlock, second by Langston to ratify the Negotiated Agreement between the Board and the Commerce Education Support Personnel of Oklahoma. Vote: Tedlock-yes, Langston-yes, Hartman-yes, Langston-yes, McMMain-absent.
21. Motion by Cossairt, second by Langston to appoint Jon Duboise as the acting Treasurer. Vote: Cossairt-yes, Langston-yes, Tedlock-yes, Hartman-yes, McMMain-absent.
22. New Business: Motion by Cossairt, second by Tedlock to allow the cheerleaders to have another tail gate party this Friday night, September 14. Inclement weather hindered the previous one. Vote: Cossairt-yes, Tedlock-yes, Hartman-yes, Langston-yes, McMMain-absent.
23. Motion by Hartman, second by Tedlock to adjourn. Vote: Hartman-yes, Tedlock-yes, Langston-yes, Cossairt-yes, McMMain-absent. Time: 8:56 p.m.

(ATTEST)



President-Board of Education

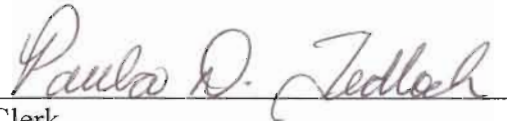
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Member



Clerk

Date: 10/08/2007



Minutes Clerk

Date: 10-8-2007

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