

MINUTES

**REGULAR MEETING
COMMERCE BOARD OF EDUCATION
OCTOBER 13, 2008
6:30 P.M.
BOARD OF EDUCATION BUILDING
217 COMMERCE STREET
COMMERCE, OKLAHOMA**

1. Jim Cossairt called the meeting to order at 6:31 p.m. Board Members present were Cossairt, Paula Tedlock, Steve Hartman, Gene Langston and Rick Brown.
2. The invocation was given by Tedlock.
3. Consent Agenda:
 - a. Minutes of the September 8, 2008, regular board meeting.
 - b. Approval of the monthly financial report of activity funds. (Attachment #1)
 - c. Approval of the monthly treasurer's report. (Attachment #2)
 - d. Approval of the list of General Fund encumbrances and warrants for September payroll (\$395,769.74). (Attachment #3)
 - e. Approval of the list of General Fund warrants and claims for October bills. (Attachment #4).
 - f. Approval of the list of General Fund warrants and claims for June encumbrances. (Attachment #5).
 - g. Approval of the list of Co-op Fund encumbrances and warrants for September payroll (\$5,761.18). (Attachment #6).
 - h. Approval of the list of Co-op fund warrants and claims for October bills. (Attachment #7).
 - i. Approval of the list of Building Fund warrants and claims for October bills. (Attachment #8).
 - j. Approval of the list of Child Nutrition warrants and claims for October bills. (Attachment #9)
 - k. Approval of the list of Child Nutrition warrants and claims for October bills. (Attachment #10).
 - l. Approval of the additional list of substitute teachers for SY 2008-2009. (Attachment #11)
 - m. Vote to approve or not approve the additional list of fundraisers for the 2008-2009 school year. (Attachment #12).

Motion by Hartman, second by Brown to approve item "a" of the consent agenda as recommended by Superintendent Jim Haynes. Vote: Hartman-yes, Brown-yes, Cossairt-yes, Tedlock-abstained, Langston-abstained.

Motion by Brown, second by Tedlock to approve consent agenda items "b-m" as recommended by Haynes. Vote: Brown-yes, Tedlock-yes, Hartman-yes, Langston-yes, Cossairt-yes.

4. Cossairt thanked the guests for attending the meeting. (Attachment #13).

5. Recognition of students:

The Board recognized the Commerce High School Softball Team, Regional Champions but they were unable to attend the meeting because of prior commitments.

6. There were no Public communications.

7. The board to provided an opportunity for a tribe, or their designee, parent, or group of parents concerned with the educational opportunity of any student or group of students in the Commerce School District to:

- a. Present views regarding application for P.L. 81-874 "Impact Aid" funds.
- b. Make recommendations concerning the needs of their children.
- c. Provide input into the planning and development of the educational program of the district.
- d. Present views on the educational program and its operation.

There were no comments.

8. Motion by Hartman, second by Brown to approve P.L. 81-874 Indian Policies and Procedures, (Attachment #14). Vote: Hartman-yes, Brown-yes, Tedlock-yes, Langston-yes, Cossairt-yes.

9. Written communications:

Superintendent Haynes passed out the monthly maintenance report prepared by Bobby Arms.

Haynes informed the board of the OSSBA District 5 meeting on November 6th in Pryor. Jim Cossairt and Rick Brown will be attending the meeting with Haynes.

10. Administrator's Reports:

- a. Superintendent Haynes reported Commerce has a big football game coming up on Thursday. He reported that he has been keeping an eye on the finances because of the economy.
- b. Elementary Principal Kevin Wade passed out the "Parent's Make a Difference Newsletter" and "Tips & Techniques". He reported the number of students at the elementary is 475 students. He reported on up and coming events including Fire Prevention Program, visits to the pumpkin patches, fall break, grade cards go out October 21st, and Halloween Parties are the 31st.
- c. Middle School Principal Herb Logan passed out the CMS Newsletter. He reported current number of students at the Middle School is 181. He also reported they had a very good turn out for Parent/Teacher conferences.
- d. High School Principal Jim Buttram reported on the cheerleading competition, the softball girls were regional runner ups and represented our school well, art students attended an art contest.
- e. Athletic Director Rusty Barker was attending the middle school football game. Discussion was held concerning people that come into the concession stand and help themselves to food and drinks without paying.

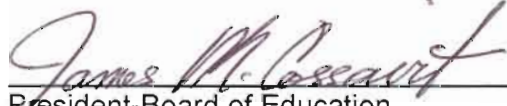
Herb Logan went to the football game so Rusty Barker could come to the meeting to answer some of the questions that had been asked.

11. Motion by Brown, second by Tedlock to approve the School District 2008-2009 Budget in compliance with the School Budget Bill-S.B. 1084 as recommended by Haynes. (Attachment #14) Vote: Brown-yes, Tedlock-yes, Cossairt-yes, Hartman-yes, Langston-yes.
12. Motion by Tedlock, second by Hartman to approve the "Contract for Career and Technology Education Programs for School Year 2008-2009" as recommended by Haynes. (Attachment #15). Vote: Tedlock-yes, Hartman-yes, Cossairt-yes, Langston-yes, Brown-yes.
13. Motion by Hartman, second by Tedlock to approve Professional Development Committee Members for School Year 2008-2009 as recommended by Haynes. (Attachment #16). Vote: Hartman-yes, Tedlock-yes, Langston-yes, Brown-yes, Cossairt-yes.
14. Motion by Brown, second by Cossairt to approve section 403(b) plan administrative services provider and Section 403(b) Plan Administrative Services Agreement as recommended by Superintendent Haynes (Attachment #17). Vote: Brown-yes, Cossairt-yes, Tedlock-yes, Langston-yes, Hartman-yes.
15. Proposed executive session to discuss:
 - a. status of current negotiations with the Commerce Association of Classroom Teachers 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 Association of Classroom Teachers. 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).
16. Motion by Brown, second by Langston to convene in executive session. Vote: Brown-yes, Langston-yes, Tedlock-yes, Hartman-yes, Cossairt-yes. Time: 7:50 p.m.
17. Motion by Hartman, second by Brown to acknowledge the board's return to open session. Vote: Hartman-yes, Brown-yes, Tedlock-yes, Langston-yes, Cossairt-yes. Time: 9:08 p.m.
18. Cossairt announced, "Only the items listed on the executive session agenda were discussed and no votes were taken. Those present were the five Board Members, Mr. Haynes, Mr. Buttram, Mr. Wade, Mr. Brough and Mr. Barker."
19. Motion by Hartman, second by Tedlock to ratify the Negotiated Agreement between the Board and the Commerce Association of Classroom Teachers as recommended by Haynes. (Attachment #18). Vote: Hartman-yes, Tedlock-yes, Brown-yes, Langston-yes, Cossairt-yes.
20. Motion by Tedlock, second by Hartman, to ratify the Negotiated Agreement between the Board and the Commerce Education Support Personnel of Oklahoma as recommended by Haynes. (Attachment #19). Vote: Tedlock-yes, Hartman-yes, Langston-yes, Brown-yes, Cossairt-yes.

- 21. Motion by Tedlock, second by Brown to approve individual certified and support personnel contracts for school year 2008-2009 as recommended by Haynes. Vote: Tedlock-yes, Brown-yes, Langston-yes, Hartman-yes, Cossairt-yes.
- 22. There was no new business.
- 23. Motion by Tedlock, second by Langston to adjourn. Vote: Tedlock-yes, Langston-yes, Brown-yes, Hartman-yes, Cossairt-yes. Time: 9:13 p.m.

The agenda was posted on the inside of the front door (visible from outside the building) of the Board of Education building at 3:30 p.m. on the 8th day of October, 2008, and notice of this regular meeting was given to the Ottawa County Clerk prior to December 15, 2007.


(ATTEST)



President-Board of Education



Deputy Clerk



Vice-President



Member



Clerk

Date: 11/10/2008



Minutes Clerk

Date: 11/10/2008

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