

MINUTES OF JANUARY 9, 2017 REGULAR MEETING – 6:00 P.M.
CHOCTAW/NICOMA PARK BOARD OF EDUCATION
Ind. Dist. 4, Oklahoma County, Oklahoma

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

Don Alsup, President, called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Roll call established members present: Elizabeth Parker, Vice President, Daryl Crusoe, Assistant Clerk and Janice Modisette, Member. Pamela Matherly, Clerk, was absent.

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

Mr. Crusoe moved and Ms. Modisette seconded, to approve the December 12, 2016 board meeting minutes. The vote was unanimous.

Dr. McCharen stated that our CHS Football Team was named the 6A-II Academic State Champions for the 3rd year in a row. Head Football Coach Todd Dilbeck and 2 senior football players were in attendance and presented the board members with their state championship trophy. Coach Dilbeck stated that 100 athletes' GPA's were averaged together for a combined team GPA of 3.33. He stated that this accomplishment says a great deal about what is expected of our athletes on and off of the field.

Amber Spradlin, ACT President, stated that everyone is very excited about the 2nd semester and they are anxiously awaiting the new legislative session.

There were no comments from ESPO.

There were no comments from the floor on agenda items.

Dr. McCharen made the following comments:

- We have completed a very successful first semester of the school year, had a much needed winter break and we are now looking forward to having a great productive second semester.
- The third quarter of the school year is actually 10 weeks in length with only two days without students – Martin Luther King Day which is next Monday and President's Day on February 20th. President's Day is a Professional Development Day for teachers. So it's a long intense period of instruction until Spring Break. We did use one of our six inclement weather days last Friday because of the snowfall early Friday morning. That was an easy call to cancel school that day. So we have five days left for inclement weather. Hopefully we won't have to use any or just a few of them so we'll have off a few Friday's in the spring.
- Winter activities are in full swing. The CHS girls' basketball team was ranked #1 in state but lost a game over Christmas break but will probably only drop them to #2 and the CHS wrestling team is ranked #1 in the state. So it will be fun to see if those programs can compete for state championships over the next two months.
- We received some good financial news regarding mid-term state aid adjustments. We gained an additional \$250,000. This will certainly help replenish our depleted fund balance. Still too early to tell regarding any state cuts for this fiscal year.
- The 2017 legislative session begins in about three weeks which is always a scary thought. Hopefully they will keep their commitment to make teacher pay raises their top priority so we'll eagerly see how that plays out with no new revenue.

There were no comments from the board.

Ms. Parker moved, seconded by Ms. Modisette to approve Donna Cooper as the Choctaw/Nicoma Park School district designee to approve special education reimbursement claims to the Oklahoma State Department of Education. The vote was unanimous.

Kevin Berry, Executive Director of Finance, stated that as Dr. McCharen had previously mentioned, we received good news with our \$250,000 mid-term adjustment. We grew approximately 181 weighted kids thanks to the hard work of the child nutrition and special education departments. Mr. Berry gave a brief report on state revenues and stated that locally we are holding the line on expenditures. He closed by stating that he is very optimistic that we will be able to add to our fund balance this year.

Ms. Modisette moved, seconded by Ms. Parker to approve encumbrances. Approved were the following: Fund 11 – No’s 502-522 - \$25,819.25; Fund 21 – No’s 136-141 - \$20,640.00; Fund 22 - No 065-70 - \$29,083.50; Fund 32 – No’s 016 - \$18,458.00; and Fund 33 – No’s 029 - \$283.94. The vote was unanimous.

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

Donna Cooper, Assistant Superintendent of Special Services/Instruction stated that this is the time of year for teachers to prepare for all of the testing that will be administered in the upcoming months. In closing, Ms. Cooper gave a brief update on changes in testing and the testing schedule.

At 6:23 p.m., Ms. Parker made a motion, seconded by Ms. Modisette to meet in executive session. The vote was unanimous.

At 6:50 p.m., Pamela Matherly, Board Clerk, entered executive session.

At 7:45 p.m., Ms. Modisette moved to return to open session, seconded by Ms. Matherly. The vote was unanimous.

Ms. Modisette moved, seconded by Ms. Matherly to approve certified recommendations of: Gregory Chong*, effective 1/3/17 and Richard Boone*, effective 1/3/17. The vote was unanimous.

Ms. Modisette moved, seconded by Ms. Matherly to approve certified resignation of: Diana Reed, effective 12/16/16. The vote was unanimous.

Ms. Modisette moved, seconded by Ms. Matherly to approve support recommendation of: Shelby Tran, effective 1/3/17. The vote was unanimous.

Ms. Modisette moved, seconded by Ms. Matherly, to approve support resignation of: Joseph Bateman, effective 1/3/17. The vote was unanimous.

Under new business, Ms. Modisette moved, seconded by Ms. Parker to approve an out of state trip for CHS Varsity Cheer on January 21-22, 2017 to Dallas Texas to participate in NCA High School Nationals. There being no further business, the board meeting adjourned upon unanimous consent of the members at 7:55 p.m. following a motion made by Ms. Modisette and seconded by Ms. Parker. The vote was unanimous.

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