

DURANT BOARD OF EDUCATION
Regular Board of Education Meeting
Durant School District, I-72, Bryan County, Oklahoma
Durant High School Library
Monday, April 6, 2009
5:30 PM

Call to Order and Roll Call

President Tammy Cross called the meeting to order in the Durant High School Library at 5:30 PM, March 2, 2009. The Clerk of the Board called the roll, and those present were Tammy Cross, Dan England, Bart Granger, Rob Piearcy and Tommy Sleeper. Also present were Dr. Jason Simeroth, Superintendent; Larry Scott, Assistant Superintendent; Sharon Wadley, Clerk of the Board; and Bonnie Webb, Treasurer.

Approval of Consent Calendar

Consent calendar is a listing of items, which are routinely approved by the Board. Board members may vote on the complete Consent Calendar through the recording of one vote, or call for a vote on each item in the Consent Calendar.

Tommy Sleeper made a motion to approve the Consent Calendar with a second from Rob Piearcy. Mrs. Tammy Cross, President of the Board, called for the vote: Office #1 - Mrs. Cross - yes; Office - #2 - Mr. Piearcy - yes; Office #3 - Mr. Sleeper - yes; Office #4 - Mr. Granger - yes; Office #5 - Mr. England - yes.

Approval of Minutes of Previous Meeting

Approved in the Approval of Consent Calendar were the minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board of Education on March 2, 2009.

FINANCIAL AND BUDGET REPORTS

Treasurer's Report

Approved in approval of Consent Calendar.

Activity Reports

Approved in approval of Consent Calendar.

Food Service Account

Approved in approval of Consent Calendar.

Budget Accounts

Approved in approval of Consent Calendar.

Approval of Warrants and Encumbrances

Approved in the Consent Calendar were:

FY 09 General Fund Numbers 2420-2897 in the Amount of \$285,741.21

FY 09 Building Bond Fund Numbers 61-63 in the Amount of \$2,809.83

Also approved were:

FY 08 General Fund Numbers 11127-11135 in the Amount of \$15,278.83

FY 09 General Fund Numbers 5215-6496 in the Amount of \$2,013,585.05
FY 09 Building Bond 2005 Fund Numbers 50-57 in the Amount of \$4,603.84

Reports

Administrative Reports

Hallie Hughes, Durant High School math instructor, spoke to members of the Board concerning "Flex Fridays". This program would shorten classes by 9 minutes on Fridays allowing remediation to be given students the last 40 minutes of the school day. Students in good standing and not needing remediation would be allowed to leave school early or participate in other activities offered on site. The Flex Friday schedule will be in place during the last four weeks of school.

Comments From The Public

Joyce Northcutt, DEA representative, expressed her concerns regarding SB834. SB834 would do away with class size requirements, due process for teachers, and deregulate associations throughout the state, as well as many other items Ms. Northcutt deemed highly important to the local district.

Comments From the Board

None.

Business

Approval of Inter-Local Agreement

The approval of an inter-local agreement between the City of Durant, the Durant Police Department, and the Bryan County Turning Point Coalition was tabled.

Approval of Out-of-State, Overnight Trip

Dr. Simeroth recommended the approval of a request for an out-of-state, overnight trip for the Durant High School Business Professionals of America organization to compete in the leadership convention in Dallas, TX, on May 6-9, 2009. Dan England made a motion to concur with the Superintendent's recommendation with a second from Bart Granger. Mrs. Tammy Cross, President of the Board, called for the vote: Office #1 - Mrs. Cross - yes; Office - #2 - Mr. Piearcy - yes; Office #3 - Mr. Sleeper - yes; Office #4 - Mr. Granger - yes; Office #5 - Mr. England - yes.

Approval of Durant High School Course Planning Guide

Dr. Simeroth recommended the approval of the Durant High School Course Planning Guide as presented. Rob Piearcy made a motion to concur with the Superintendent's recommendation with a second from Tommy Sleeper. Mrs. Tammy Cross, President of the Board, called for the vote: Office #1 - Mrs. Cross - yes; Office - #2 - Mr. Piearcy - yes; Office #3 - Mr. Sleeper - yes; Office #4 - Mr. Granger - yes; Office #5 - Mr. England - yes.

Approval of Revision of Job Description

Dr. Simeroth recommended the approval of the revision of the job description for Durant ISD Athletic Director. Dan England made a motion to concur with the Superintendent's recommendation with a second from Rob Piearcy. Mrs. Tammy Cross, President of the Board, called for the vote: Office #1 - Mrs. Cross - yes; Office - #2 - Mr. Piearcy - yes; Office #3 - Mr. Sleeper - yes; Office #4 - Mr. Granger - yes; Office #5 - Mr. England - yes.

Consideration of Executive Session, 5:47 PM

Rob Piearcy made a motion to convene in Executive Session, pursuant to 25 O.S. 307 B, for the purpose of discussing the following items: acceptance of resignations received since the last meeting of the Board of Education, 25 O.S. 307 B(1); renewal of contracts of certified staff on continuing contracts as listed in Schedule A for the 2009-2010 school year, 25 O.S. 307 B(1); approval of a request for a leave of absence for a certified employee, 25 O.S. 307 B(1); employment of certified personnel, 25 O.S. 307 B(1); employment of support personnel, 25 O.S. 307 B(1); additions to the lists of substitutes for the 2008-09 school year, 25 O.S. 307 B(1); and teacher contract negotiations, 25 O.S. 307 B (2). Tommy Sleeper seconded the motion. Mrs. Tammy Cross, President of the Board, called for the vote: Office #1 - Mrs. Cross - yes; Office - #2 - Mr. Piearcy - yes; Office #3 - Mr. Sleeper - yes; Office #4 - Mr. Granger - yes; Office #5 - Mr. England - yes.

Reconvene in Open Session, 6:29 PM

The Board reconvened in Open Session at 6:29 PM.

Statement of Executive Session Minutes

During the Executive Session the Board discussed the following items: resignations received since the last meeting of the Board of Education, renewal of contracts of certified staff on continuing contracts, request for a leave of absence by a certified employee, employment of certified and support personnel, employment of substitutes, and teacher contract negotiations. Nothing else was discussed. No votes were taken.

Vote to Approve Personnel Recommendations

Resignations were received and accepted by the Superintendent of Schools from the following personnel:

- Barbara Kramer, Washington Irving 2nd grade, retiring
- Tamela Townsend, transportation department, resigning
- Casey Roberts, graduate assistant/athletics/soccer, resigning

Dr. Simeroth recommended the renewal of contracts for the 2009-10 school term for certified staff on a continuing contract as listed on Schedule A.

Dr. Simeroth recommended the employment of:

- Kelly Lowrance, Varsity and 9th grade cheerleader coach at Durant High School on a part-time basis, one year contract.
- Keith Crawford and Tara Sheid, summer instructors for Safe Schools Program
- John Dennis, adjunct Spanish teacher for Pre-Kindergarten at Washington Irving
- Jacque Dunegan, first grade teacher at Washington Irving
- Lydia Daniel, third grade teacher at Washington Irving
- Erin Condor and Terra Wood, teacher assistants for Safe Schools Summer Program

Dr. Simeroth recommended the approval of a request of a leave of absence for Stephanie Lowry, history instructor at Durant High School, in order for Ms. Lowry to complete her master's degree program in social studies education.

Dr. Simeroth recommended the additions to the lists of substitutes as submitted for the 2008-09 school year as submitted.

Dr. Simeroth recommended the approval of the following to serve as representatives for the Board of Education during Teacher Contract Negotiations for the 2009-10 school year:

Mr. Duane Merideth	Assistant Superintendent
Mr. Larry Scott	Assistant Superintendent
Ms. Sharon Wadley	Clerk of the Board
TBA	Durant High School Principal
Mr. Dale Perrin	Durant High School, Assistant Principal
Mr. David Brese	Durant High School, Assistant Principal
Mr. Kenny Chaffin	Durant Middle School Principal
Mr. Tod Harrison	Representing all Elementary Principals

Bart Granger made a motion to concur with the Superintendent's recommendation with a second from Tommy Sleeper. Mrs. Tammy Cross, President of the Board, called for the vote: Office #1 - Mrs. Cross - yes; Office - #2 - Mr. Pearcy - yes; Office #3 - Mr. Sleeper - yes; Office #4 - Mr. Granger - yes; Office #5 - Mr. England - yes.

New Business

None.

Adjournment, 6:35 PM

Rob Pearcy made a motion to adjourn with a second from Tommy Sleeper. Mrs. Tammy Cross, President of the Board, called for the vote: Office #1 - Mrs. Cross - yes; Office - #2 - Mr. Pearcy - yes; Office #3 - Mr. Sleeper - yes; Office #4 - Mr. Granger - yes; Office #5 - Mr. England - yes.

President

Clerk

REGULAR MEETING

STATE OF OKLAHOMA)

COUNTY OF BRYAN)

I, the undersigned Clerk of the Board of Education of Durant School District No. I-72 of Bryan County, Oklahoma, do hereby certify that prior to December 15th of the last calendar year the date, time and place of this regular meeting was filed in the office of the County Clerk of Bryan County, Oklahoma.

I also certify that at least 24 hours prior to the meeting, excluding Saturdays, Sundays, and holidays, notice of the date, time, place, and agenda of this meeting was posted in prominent public view at the location of the meeting.

Witness my hand and seal of this school District this 1st day of January 2009.

School Seal

Sharon K. Wadley, Clerk of the Board