

DURANT BOARD OF EDUCATION
Regular Board of Education Meeting
Durant School District, I-72, Bryan County, Oklahoma
Central Administration Office Conference Room
Thursday, January 8, 2009
5:30 PM

Call to Order and Roll Call

President Dan England called the meeting to order in the Central Administration Office Conference Room at 5:30 PM, January 8, 2009. The Clerk of the Board called the roll, and those present were Tammy Cross, Dan England, Tom Lackey, Rob Piearcy and Tommy Sleeper. Also present were Dr. Jason Simeroth, Superintendent; Duane Merideth, 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.

Tom Lackey made a motion to approve the Consent Calendar with a second from Rob Piearcy. Mr. Dan England, 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. Lackey - 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 and Special Meeting of the Board of Education on December 1 and 17, 2008.

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 1747-1972 in the Amount of \$123,610.90

FY 09 Building Bond Fund Numbers 47-49 in the Amount of \$7,963.92

Also approved were:

FY 08 General Fund Numbers 11079-11090 in the Amount of \$90,494.71

FY 08 Building Bond Fund Number 70 in the Amount of \$14,445.40
FY 09 General Fund Numbers 2807-3517 in the Amount of \$1,784,344.76
FY 09 Building Fund Number 5 in the amount of \$1,422.17
FY 09 Construction Bond Fund Number 3 in the Amount of \$9,785.08
FY 09 Building Bond 2005 Fund Numbers 28-35 in the amount of \$6,831.62

Reports

Administrative Reports

Dr. Simeroth reported on student extracurricular achievements which included the Durant High School Band's performance at the Liberty Bowl, FFA speech contest, and cheerleader competition. He also expressed appreciation to members of the Board for their commitment to the students, faculty and staff of the District.

Comments From The Public

None.

Comments From the Board

None.

Business

Approval of 2008 Fiscal Year Audit Report

Dr. Simeroth introduced Mr. Jerry Putnam, who then presented the 2008 fiscal year audit report. Mr. Putnam reported increases in fund balances, gave recommendations on wording with First United Bank and the new high school building project, and cautioned against the purchase of gift cards. Although sponsored through donations, these gift cards are purchased through the activity fund as incentives for student attendance. In the future, it will be recommended that the sponsor purchase the gift cards directly instead of donating money for their purchase. Dr. Simeroth recommended the approval of the audit. Tom Lackey made a motion to concur with the Superintendent's recommendation with a second from Tommy Sleeper. Mr. Dan England, 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. Lackey - yes; Office #5 - Mr. England - yes.

Approval of Issuance of Documents for the Bidding Process for the new Durant High School

Dr. Simeroth recommended the approval of authorizing Claycomb & Associates, Architects/Steele Freeman, Construction Manager to issue documents for the bidding process for the new Durant High School. Plans are 95% complete and bids should be sent out by February 5th. Tom Lackey made a motion to concur with the Superintendent's recommendation with a second from Tammy Cross. Mr. Dan England, 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. Lackey - yes; Office #5 - Mr. England - yes.

Approval of 2009-2010 School Calendar

Dr. Simeroth recommended the approval of the 2009-2010 school calendar as submitted by the Calendar Committee. Tommy Sleeper made a motion to concur with the Superintendent's recommendation with a second from Rob Piearcy. Mr. Dan England, 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. Lackey - yes; Office #5 - Mr. England - yes.

Approval of Out-of-State, Overnight Trip

Dr. Simeroth recommended the approval of a request by the Durant High School Choir to participate in the Alamo Showcase of Music in San Antonio, TX, April 2-5, 2009. This trip was previously approved for another date and was resubmitted for approval due to the date change. Tammy Cross made a motion to concur with the Superintendent's recommendation with a second from Rob Pearcy. Mr. Dan England, 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. Lackey - yes; Office #5 - Mr. England - yes.

Consideration of Executive Session, 5:35 PM

Tom Lackey made a motion to convene in Executive Session, pursuant to 25 O.S. 307 B(1) 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); employment of certified and support personnel for the 2008-2009 School Year, 25 O.S. 307 B(1); employment of graduate assistants, 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 evaluation of the Superintendent, 25 O.S. 307 B(1). Tommy Sleeper seconded the motion. Mr. Dan England, 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. Lackey - yes; Office #5 - Mr. England - yes.

Reconvene in Open Session, 5:57 PM

The Board reconvened in Open Session at 5:57 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, employment of certified and support personnel, employment of graduate assistants, employment of substitutes, and evaluation of the Superintendent. 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:

- Alicia Farley, extra-duty position only for 2009-2010 school year
- Julie Birdsong, Washington Irving Elementary first grade teacher
- LeVisa Patterson, extra-duty position only
- Kent Pickens, extra-duty position only
- Bart Granger, transportation department
- Shirley Wallace, child nutrition department

Dr. Simeroth recommended the employment of the following:

- Jacqueline Dunegan, Washington Irving Elementary first grade, full-time, temporary for the second semester only
- Keith Crawford, DIS fifth grade, full-time, temporary for the second semester only
- Tara Sheid, teacher assistant at Washington Irving, temporary, one semester only
- Nancy Rodgers, teacher assistant at DIS, temporary, one semester only

- Tiffany Hatch, teacher assistant, temporary, one semester only
- Tanner Dupree and Kacie Roberts, graduate assistants for soccer

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

Tom Lackey made a motion to concur with the Superintendent's recommendation with a second from Tammy Cross. Mr. Dan England, 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. Lackey - yes; Office #5 - Mr. England - yes.

New Business

None.

Adjournment, 6:10 PM

Tom Lackey made a motion to adjourn with a second from Rob Piearcy. Mr. Dan England, 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. Lackey - 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