

DURANT BOARD OF EDUCATION
Regular Board of Education Meeting
Durant School District, I-72, Bryan County, Oklahoma
Central Administration Office Conference Room
Monday, July 14, 2008
12:00 Noon

Call to Order and Roll Call

President Dan England called the meeting to order in the Central Administration Office Conference Room at 12:00 noon, July 14, 2008. 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; Larry Scott and Duane Merideth, Assistant Superintendents; and Sharon Wadley, Clerk of the Board.

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 Meeting of the Board of Education on June 9, and Special Meetings on June 12, 19, 27 and July 3, 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 08 General Fund Numbers 3599-4070 in the Amount of \$606,271.27

FY 08 Building Fund Number 23-26 in the Amount of \$106,696.00

FY 08 Building Bond Fund Numbers 56-58 in the Amount of \$216,633.60

Also approved were:

FY 07 General Fund Numbers 11097-11101 in the Amount of \$4,924.01

FY 08 General Fund Numbers 9511-10865 in the Amount of \$2,511,990.44

FY 08 Building Fund Numbers 26-27 in the Amount of \$7,361.00

FY 08 Building Bonds (2005) Fund Number 58-62 in the Amount of \$52,708.23

FY 08 Construction Bond Fund Number 8 in the Amount of \$5,357.03

Reports

Campus Reports

Brent Ellis, Summer Bridge Program instructor, brought four of his students who shared their community service project. The students presented a mock model of the new high school with their ideas of decorating, features and landscaping ideas.

Comments From The Public

None.

Comments From the Board

Dan England asked if it would be possible to incorporate some of the students' ideas into the high school building project. Duane Merideth said he would share their ideas with the architects.

Business

Approval of Resolutions

Dr. Simeroth recommended the approval of resolutions which would designate institutions as official depositories for district funds for the 2009 fiscal year, authorize the deposit of interest earnings from the Construction Fund and Sinking Fund into the Building Fund, and adopt a Section 125 Flexible Benefits Plan and designate an administrator of the plan. Tammy Cross 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. Pearcey - yes; Office #3 - Mr. Sleeper - yes; Office #4 - Mr. Lackey - yes; Office #5 - Mr. England - yes.

Approval of Contracts

Dr. Simeroth recommended the approval of annual contract renewals for various services throughout the District for the 2009 fiscal year as listed below:

- A. Syntec Systems for Business/Personnel Software Management
- B. Pitney Bowes for Postage System
- C. OSSBA for Continued Participation in the Oklahoma Public Schools Unemployment Program
- D. Clearwater Enterprises for Natural Gas Sales Agreement
- E. Sodexo for District Food Service
- F. Sodexo for Vendor Food Service for Victory Life Academy
- G. LifeTouch for Photography Services
- H. Big 5 Community Services for 4-yr-old Program Services
- I. Miller Office Equipment for Copier Leases and Maintenance Agreements
- J. U.S. Cellular for Cellular Phone Service
- K. Oklahoma Department of Rehabilitation Services for Transition School-to-Work Program
- L. Oklahoma Department of Rehabilitation Services for Work Adjustment Training Program
- M. Department of Human Services for School Based Social Worker Project
- N. Bryan County Sheriff's Office for Two Resource Officers

- O. Southeastern Oklahoma State University for Use of Paul Laird Field
- P. Becky Franks for Therapeutic Services for IDEA-B Visually Impaired
- Q. Jan McFadden for Occupational Therapy Services
- R. Red River Arts Council for Educational Programming
- S. Research & Education Services for Evaluation Services (GRAA Grant)
- T. James Cable, LP dba CommuniComm Services for School Cable Programming
- U. Dell Computer Company for a Lease Agreement for Storage Area Network System

Rob Piearcy 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 Lease/Purchase Agreement

Dr. Simeroth recommended the approval of the renewal of the lease/purchase agreement for land for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2009, as required under the provisions of the lease/purchase agreement dated May 2, 2006, between the District and Landmark Bank. 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 Employment of a Construction Management Company

This item was tabled.

Acceptance of Quotes

Dr. Simeroth recommended the acceptance of quotes from Geotechnical Exploration for the new high school project in the amount of \$18,100, and copy paper for the District from Walmart at a cost of \$27.00 per case. Tammy Cross 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 Establishment of New Account for Baseball/Durant High School Activity Account

Dr. Simeroth recommended the approval of a request for the establishment of a new activity sub-account for baseball in the Durant High School activity account. This account will be funded by donations and fundraisers and will be administered by Zack Crabtree, Baseball Coach. 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 Out-of-State Trip

Dr. Simeroth recommended the approval of an overnight, out-of-state trip for the Durant High School Band to participate in the 50th Annual GBA Liberty Bowl National Band Festival and football game in Memphis, TN, December 30, 2008-January 3, 2009. Tammy Cross made a motion to concur with the Superintendent's recommendation with a second from Tom Lackey. 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.

Approval of Student Handbooks for the 2008-09 School Year

Dr. Simeroth recommended the approval of Student Handbooks for the 2008-09 school year as submitted by each campus. 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. Pearcy - yes; Office #3 - Mr. Sleeper - yes; Office #4 - Mr. Lackey - yes; Office #5 - Mr. England - yes.

Consideration of Executive Session, 12:22 p.m.

Rob Pearcy made a motion to convene into Executive Session, 25 O.S. 307, B(1), for the purpose of discussing the following items: resignations received since the last meeting of the Board of Education, 25 O.S. 307 B(1); renewal of contracts for support employees for the 2008-2009 school year who are currently employed on one year contracts as listed on Schedule A, 25 O.S. 307 B(1); employment of certified personnel, 25 O.S. 307, B(1); additions to the lists of substitutes, 25 O.S. 307, B(1); and teacher contract negotiations, 25 O.S. 307, B(2). Tammy Cross 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.

Vote to Reconvene in Open Session, 1:00 p.m.

Tom Lackey made a motion to reconvene into Open Session 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. Pearcy - yes; Office #3 - Mr. Sleeper - yes; Office #4 - Mr. Lackey - yes; Office #5 - Mr. England - yes.

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 for support employees for the 2008-2009 school year who are currently employed on one year contracts as listed on Schedule A, employment of certified personnel, additions to the lists 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:

Certified: Brent Deen (DMS social studies teacher/coach); Jan Burns (Washington Irving special education teacher)

Support: Silas Blaine (DHS custodian); Sanford "Sandy" Jackson (maintenance); Kim Milligan (DIS nurse assistant); and Ellen Wright (Durant High School secretary)

Dr. Simeroth recommended the renewal of contracts for the 2008-09 school year for support personnel currently employed under one-year, temporary contracts as listed on Schedule A.

Dr. Simeroth recommended the employment of the following:

- Sarah Meyers, Durant High School Art, one-year, temporary position
- Scott Lowrance, Career Tech Marketing Teacher at Durant High School, one-year, temporary position
- Kelly Lowrance, Psychology, ACE Remediation at DHS, and 8th Grade Language Arts at DMS, one-year, temporary
- Juanita Anteau, DIS special education teacher, one-year, temporary
- Deborah Lamb, art teacher at DIS, part-time, one-year, temporary

- Kimberly Gerber, Custodial Substitute Addition

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: 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, 1:05 p.m.

Tommy Sleeper 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 2008.

School Seal

Sharon K. Wadley, Clerk of the Board