

DURANT BOARD OF EDUCATION
Regular Board of Education Meeting
Durant School District, I-72, Bryan County, Oklahoma
Central Administration Office Conference Room
Monday, May 4, 2009
5:30 PM

Call to Order and Roll Call

President Tammy Cross called the meeting to order in the Central Administration Office Conference Room at 5:30 PM, May 4, 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; Duane Merideth and Larry Scott, Assistant Superintendents; 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.

Dan England 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 April 6, 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 2898-2985 in the Amount of \$95,376.71

FY 09 Building Bond Fund Numbers 64-69 in the Amount of \$15,198.00

FY 09 Building Fund Number 6 in the Amount of \$144,300.87

Also approved were:

FY 08 General Fund Numbers 11136-11140 in the Amount of \$20,496.49

FY 09 General Fund Numbers 6497-7315 in the Amount of \$1,888,712.20

FY 09 Building Bond 2005 Fund Numbers 58-61 in the Amount of \$4,270.12

FY 09 Sinking Fund Number 13 in the Amount of \$452,016.25

Reports

Administrative Reports

Dr. Simeroth reported on the new High School project.

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. Ms. Northcutt was supported by numerous teachers from the district who also are working for the defeat of SB834.

Comments From the Board

None.

Business

Approval of Inter-Local Agreement

Dr. Simeroth recommended the approval of an inter-local agreement between the City of Durant, the Durant Police Department, and the Bryan County Turning Point Coalition for the Safe Routes to School grant. Tommy Sleeper 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. Pearcy - yes; Office #3 - Mr. Sleeper - yes; Office #4 - Mr. Granger - yes; Office #5 - Mr. England - yes.

Authorization of Superintendent to Approve/Not Approve Summer 2009 Activities

Dr. Simeroth requested authorization from the Board to approve/not approve summer 2009 activities as requested by district personnel. 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. Pearcy - yes; Office #3 - Mr. Sleeper - yes; Office #4 - Mr. Granger - yes; Office #5 - Mr. England - yes.

Consideration of Executive Session, 5:38 PM

Rob Pearcy made a motion to convene in Executive Session, pursuant to 25 O.S. 307, 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 for the 2009-2010 school year for certified personnel currently employed under one-year, temporary contracts as listed on Schedule A, 25 O.S. 307 B(1); renewal of contracts for the 2009-2010 school year for support employees employed by the district more than one year as listed on Schedule B, 25 O.S. 307 B(1); employment of certified personnel, 25 O.S. 307 B(1); employment of personnel for the 2009 Durant High School Summer Bridge Program, 25 O.S. 307 B(1); employment of personnel for the 2009 Indian Education Summer Enrichment Program, 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. Pearcy - yes; Office #3 - Mr. Sleeper - yes; Office #4 - Mr. Granger - yes; Office #5 - Mr. England - yes.

Reconvene in Open Session, 6:15 PM

The Board reconvened in Open Session at 6:15 PM.

Statement of Executive Session Minutes

During the Executive Session the Board discussed the following items: acceptance of resignations received since the last meeting of the Board of Education, renewal of contracts for the 2009-2010 school year for certified personnel currently employed under one-year, temporary contracts as listed on Schedule A, renewal of contracts for the 1009-2010 school year for support employees employed by the district more than one year as listed on Schedule B, employment of certified personnel, employment of personnel for the 2009 Durant High School Summer Bridge Program, employment of personnel for the 2009 Indian Education Summer Enrichment Program, additions to the lists of substitutes for the 2008-09 school year, 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:

- Linda (Lynn) Dills, Washington Irving 1st grade, retiring
- Haleigh House, Durant High School/Durant Middle School Spanish teacher, resigning
- Shirley McLain, Washington Irving 2nd grade teacher, retiring
- Margie Coxsey, Child Nutrition, resigning

Dr. Simeroth recommended the renewal of contracts for the 2009-10 school term for certified staff currently employed under a one-year, temporary contract as listed on Schedule A.

Dr. Simeroth recommended the renewal of contracts for the 2009-2010 school year for support employees employed by the district more than one year as listed on Schedule B.

Dr. Simeroth recommended the employment of:

- Ron Craig, Durant High School principal
- Perry Turnbow, Durant High School softball coach

Dr. Simeroth recommended the employment of the following for the 2009 Durant High School Summer Bridge Program:

- Melissa Lilley, Coordinator
- Kelly Lowrance, Counselor
- Asia Willingham, Language Arts Instructor
- Tracy Risner, Math Instructor
- Lou Ann Lively, Study Skills Instructor
- Cory Lowry and Trey Wright, Teacher Assistants

The Family and Consumer Science Instructor position was not filled due to no applications being received. Lou Ann Lively will be teaching a “Life Skills” class.

Dr. Simeroth recommended the following personnel for the Indian Education 2009 Summer Enrichment program: Mary Pat Davis (lead teacher), Jolinda Emge, Celinda Garner, Kim Podany, Holly Shattuck and Hadley Tolle.

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

Tommy Sleeper 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.

New Business

None.

Adjournment, 6:20 PM

Dan England 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. Piearcy - 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