

THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT NUMBER ONE
OF TULSA COUNTY, OKLAHOMA
MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF MAY 18, 2015

A regular meeting of the Board of Education of Independent School District Number One of Tulsa County, Oklahoma was held on May 18, 2015, commencing at 6:30 p.m. in the Cheryl Selman Room, ground floor level, at the Charles C. Mason Education Service Center, 3027 South New Haven Avenue, Tulsa, Oklahoma. Notice of the meeting was given by service of written notice of the meeting to the office of the County Clerk of Tulsa County, Oklahoma, as required by Title 25, O.S. (2001), § 311.5 and by posting the attached agenda and recommendations of the Superintendent of Schools in prominent public view in the enclosed glass display case at the main door of the Charles C. Mason Education Service Center on May 15, 2015, at 4:30 p.m., pursuant to the provisions of Title 25, O.S. (2001), § 311.9.

PRESENT: Wilbert Collins
Cindy Decker
Gary Percefull
Suzanne Schreiber
Lana Turner-Addison

ABSENT: Ruth Ann Fate
Shawna Keller

OPENING EXERCISES

Dr. Lana Turner-Addison, president of the Board of Education, called the meeting to order and declared that a quorum of the Board was present; therefore, the meeting was qualified to consider the agenda items. The flag salute was led by the Washington High School JROTC under the direction of Major Philip Courtin. Mr. Wilbert Collins introduced the participating cadets.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Mr. Gary Percefull made a motion to adopt the agenda. The motion was seconded by Mr. Wilbert Collins and passed by the following vote: AYE: Wilbert Collins, Suzanne Schreiber, Gary Percefull, Cindy Decker and Lana Turner-Addison; NAY: None; ABSTAIN: None; ABSENT: Ruth Ann Fate and Shawna Keller.

RECOGNITION OF VISITORS

Visitors were recognized by President Turner-Addison.

SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS/AWARDS/RESOLUTIONS

Dr. Ballard welcomed Director of Transportation Scott Allen and Assistant Director of Transportation Roslyn Vann-Jackson. Mr. Allen said that on the morning of March 30, 2015, a Tulsa Public Schools' bus headed to McLain 7th Grade Academy was involved in a head-on collision in North Tulsa. He said that the driver, Sha'Tea Ballard, did a remarkable job keeping her passengers safe and preventing catastrophic injuries, as well as assisting and comforting the students after the collision. Ms. Ballard was presented with a certificate of appreciation and thanked by members of the Board, Dr. Ballard, and staff.

Dr. Ballard announced that the District had received a Certificate of Excellence recognizing the 2014 Fiscal Year Comprehensive Annual Financial Report submission from the Association of School Business Officials. He said that this award was given for meeting or exceeding high standards for financial reporting and accountability. Dr. Ballard congratulated the financial services department, led by Chief Financial Officer Trish Williams.

Dr. Ballard presented "TPS in the News" accompanied by a slide show.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Dr. Turner-Addison stated that the Board had received copies of the minutes of the May 4, 2015, meeting of the Board of Education and asked for a motion.

Ms. Suzanne Schreiber made a motion to approve the minutes and the motion was seconded by Mr. Wilbert Collins. The motion passed by the following vote: AYE: Wilbert Collins, Suzanne Schreiber, Gary Percefull, Cindy Decker and Lana Turner-Addison; NAY: None; ABSTAIN: None; ABSENT: Ruth Ann Fate and Shawna Keller.

CONSENT AGENDA

Ms. Suzanne Schreiber made a motion to approve the consent agenda and the motion was seconded by Dr. Cindy Decker. The motion passed by the following vote: AYE: Wilbert Collins, Suzanne Schreiber, Gary Percefull, Cindy Decker and Lana Turner-Addison; NAY: None; ABSTAIN: None; ABSENT: Ruth Ann Fate and Shawna Keller.

ACTION AGENDA

F-1. Amend item E-5 of the September 15, 2014, agenda to increase the amount of the contract with ORU Mabee Center for the 2015 commencement exercises to be held on May 20, 21 and 22, 2015.

Mr. Gary Percefull made a motion to approve item F-1 and the motion was seconded by Ms. Suzanne Schreiber. The motion passed by the following vote: AYE: Wilbert Collins, Suzanne Schreiber, Gary Percefull, Cindy Decker and Lana Turner-Addison; NAY: None; ABSTAIN: None; ABSENT: Ruth Ann Fate and Shawna Keller.

F-2. Approve a resolution fixing the amount of Combined Purpose Bonds, Series 2015C to mature each year; fixing the time and place the bonds are to be sold; approving the preliminary official statement and authorizing distribution of same; authorizing the clerk to give notice of said sale as required by law; and approving other matters related to the issuance of the District's Combined Purpose Bonds, Series 2015C.

Mr. Gary Percefull made a motion to approve item F-2 and the motion was seconded by Mr. Wilbert Collins. The motion passed by the following vote: AYE: Wilbert Collins, Suzanne Schreiber, Gary Percefull, Cindy Decker and Lana Turner-Addison; NAY: None; ABSTAIN: None; ABSENT: Ruth Ann Fate and Shawna Keller.

F-3. Approve an agreement with Hilborne & Weidman, P.C. to serve as bond counsel on the District's Combined Purpose Bonds, Series 2015C.

Mr. Wilbert Collins made a motion to approve item F-3 and the motion was seconded by Ms. Suzanne Schreiber. The motion passed by the following vote: AYE: Wilbert Collins, Suzanne Schreiber, Gary Percefull, Cindy Decker and Lana Turner-Addison; NAY: None; ABSTAIN: None; ABSENT: Ruth Ann Fate and Shawna Keller.

F-4. Approve an agreement for registrar and paying agent services with BOKF, NA dba Bank of Oklahoma on the District's Combined Purpose Bonds Series 2015C.

Dr. Cindy Decker made a motion to approve item F-4 and the motion was seconded by Mr. Wilbert Collins. The motion passed by the following vote: AYE: Wilbert Collins, Suzanne Schreiber, Gary Percefull, Cindy Decker and Lana Turner-Addison; NAY: None; ABSTAIN: None; ABSENT: Ruth Ann Fate and Shawna Keller.

F-5. Approve a resolution fixing the amount of Building Bonds, Series 2015D to mature each year; fixing the time and place the bonds are to be sold; approving the preliminary official statement and authorizing distribution of same; authorizing the clerk to give notice of said sale

as required by law; and approving the matters related to the issuance of the District's Building Bonds, Series 2015D.

Mr. Gary Percefull made a motion to approve item F-5 and the motion was seconded by Mr. Wilbert Collins. The motion passed by the following vote: AYE: Wilbert Collins, Suzanne Schreiber, Gary Percefull, Cindy Decker and Lana Turner-Addison; NAY: None; ABSTAIN: None; ABSENT: Ruth Ann Fate and Shawna Keller.

F-6. Approve an agreement with Hilborne & Weidmann, P.C. to serve as Bond Counsel on the District's Building Bonds, Series 2015D.

Ms. Suzanne Schreiber made a motion to approve item F-6 and the motion was seconded by Dr. Cindy Decker. The motion passed by the following vote: AYE: Wilbert Collins, Suzanne Schreiber, Gary Percefull, Cindy Decker and Lana Turner-Addison; NAY: None; ABSTAIN: None; ABSENT: Ruth Ann Fate and Shawna Keller.

F-7. Approve the agreement for registrar and paying agent services with BOKF, NA dba Bank of Oklahoma on the District's Building Bonds, Series 2015D.

Ms. Suzanne Schreiber made a motion to approve item F-7 and the motion was seconded by Mr. Gary Percefull. The motion passed by the following vote: AYE: Wilbert Collins, Suzanne Schreiber, Gary Percefull, Cindy Decker and Lana Turner-Addison; NAY: None; ABSTAIN: None; ABSENT: Ruth Ann Fate and Shawna Keller.

F-8. Approve a water easement with the City of Tulsa for the library addition at East Central Junior High.

Mr. Gary Percefull made a motion to approve item F-8 and the motion was seconded by Mr. Wilbert Collins. The motion passed by the following vote: AYE: Wilbert Collins, Suzanne Schreiber, Gary Percefull, Cindy Decker and Lana Turner-Addison; NAY: None; ABSTAIN: None; ABSENT: Ruth Ann Fate and Shawna Keller.

F-9. Approve the storm water and detention easement with the City of Tulsa for the renovation project at Eastside Academy.

Ms. Suzanne Schreiber made a motion to approve item F-9 and the motion was seconded by Dr. Cindy Decker. The motion passed by the following vote: AYE: Wilbert Collins, Suzanne Schreiber, Gary Percefull, Cindy Decker and Lana Turner-Addison; NAY: None; ABSTAIN: None; ABSENT: Ruth Ann Fate and Shawna Keller.

INFORMATION AGENDA

Dr. Ballard presented the information agenda, calling on staff to present items submitted by each of them. Staff responded to questions from members of the Board of Education.

STAFF REPORTS

There were no staff reports.

BOARD MEMBER REPORTS/CONCERNS

Dr. Lana Turner-Addison gave a brief report on a recent special meeting of the Board where Board members reviewed the adopted goals of the District, as well as the policies, practices, and procedures of Board committees.

CITIZENS' COMMENTS

Dr. Lana Turner-Addison called on the following individuals who had signed up to speak to items not on the agenda.

Wiletta Burks – The probability of a principal vacancy at McLain High School and the McLain community's interest in the principal selection process for the 2015-2016 school year.

Dr. Ballard responded to Ms. Burks' comments and said he did not anticipate a vacancy in the principal position at McLain High School.

Ed McIntosh – AFT 6039 Support Employee Survey

Sasha Goudeau – Bad weather days

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORTS/PRESENTATIONS

Dr. Ballard made several brief reports, including a report on the release of third-grade preliminary reading testing results. He thanked teachers, administrators, reading partners, and tutors who had worked diligently with students throughout the year.

OTHER NONROUTINE ITEMS REQUIRING BOARD ACTION

L-1. Hear comments and input from the public, including the TCTA and AFT, followed by Board Action on the District's Educational Improvement Plan and Application for a statutory exemption from the Oklahoma State Board of Education under the Educational Deregulation Act to grant Dr. Deborah A. Gist an exemption from superintendent certification requirements for the 2015-16 fiscal year.

A. Receive public comment and input, including comments from the TCTA and the AFT.

Mr. Darryl Bright, representative from Citizens United for a Better Education, stated that he was troubled by the District requesting an exemption from certification for Dr. Gist when certification was required by Oklahoma law and District policy, and he expressed concern that a lack of certification indicated a lack of work experience as a superintendent. In addition, he questioned whether there truly had been collaboration between the District and the community.

B. Motion, second, discussion and vote to approve or disapprove the District's Educational Improvement Plan and Application for a Statutory Exemption from the Oklahoma State Board of Education under the Educational Deregulation Act to grant Dr. Deborah A. Gist an exemption from superintendent certification requirements for the 2015-16 Fiscal Year and authorize the due execution of the Plan and Application by the Board President and Superintendent Keith Ballard.

Ms. Suzanne Schreiber made a motion to approve the Educational Improvement Plan and Application for a Statutory Exemption. The motion was seconded by Dr. Cindy Decker.

Dr. Ballard explained in detail that the request was a routine matter, one that was frequently used for teacher emergency certification when teachers were hired from out of state. He said that Dr. Gist was eminently qualified to hold the position of Superintendent of Schools and that she would be seeking certification over the course of the next year.

Dr. Turner-Addison echoed Dr. Ballard's comments and said that the Board had done its due diligence during the search process and was aware that an exemption would be necessary should Dr. Gist be named as the next Superintendent. She said that the Board was looking forward to Dr. Gist transitioning to the position of Superintendent of Schools and to her meeting all certification requirements as required by state law.

Dr. Turner-Addison called for the vote and the motion passed by the following vote: AYE: Wilbert Collins, Suzanne Schreiber, Gary Percefull, Cindy Decker and Lana Turner-Addison; NAY: None; ABSTAIN: None; ABSENT: Ruth Ann Fate and Shawna Keller.

L-2. President Turner-Addison stated that the Board had received the Superintendent's written recommendation for the dismissal of Kevin Short from employment with the Tulsa School District and asked for a motion to set a hearing date, time and place to take action on said recommendation.

Mr. Gary Percefull moved to set the hearing on Monday, June 29, at 6:00 p.m. in the Staff Conference Room (200-C) at the Charles C. Mason Education Service Center and to authorize the Clerk of the Board to notify Kevin Short of the hearing date, time and place of the hearing. The motion was seconded by Ms. Suzanne Schreiber and passed by the following vote: AYE: Wilbert Collins, Suzanne Schreiber, Gary Percefull, Cindy Decker and Lana Turner-Addison; NAY: None; ABSTAIN: None; ABSENT: Ruth Ann Fate and Shawna Keller.

L-3. President Turner-Addison stated that the Board had received the Superintendent's written recommendation for the dismissal of Wade Weller from employment with the Tulsa School District and asked for a motion to set a hearing date, time and place to take action on said recommendation.

Mr. Gary Percefull moved to set the hearing on Thursday, June 25, at 6:00 p.m. in the Staff Conference Room (200-C) at the Charles C. Mason Education Service Center and to authorize the Clerk of the Board to notify Wade Weller of the hearing date, time and place of the hearing. The motion was seconded by Ms. Suzanne Schreiber and passed by the following vote: AYE: Wilbert Collins, Suzanne Schreiber, Gary Percefull, Cindy Decker and Lana Turner-Addison; NAY: None; ABSTAIN: None; ABSENT: Ruth Ann Fate and Shawna Keller.

NEW BUSINESS

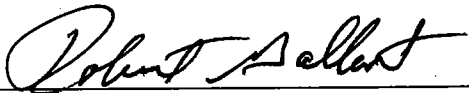
There was no new business.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

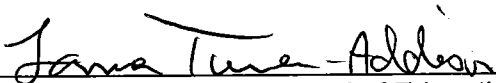
President Turner-Addison announced that the next regularly scheduled meeting of the Board of Education would be held on Monday, June 1, 2015, at 6:30 p.m. in the Cheryl Selman Room at the Charles C. Mason Education Service Center, 3027 South New Haven Avenue, Tulsa, Oklahoma.

There being no further business to come before the Board, **the meeting adjourned at 7:43 p.m. on a motion made by Mr. Gary Percefull and seconded by Ms. Suzanne Schreiber. The motion passed by the following vote:** AYE: Wilbert Collins, Suzanne Schreiber, Gary Percefull, Cindy Decker and Lana Turner-Addison; NAY: None; ABSTAIN: None; ABSENT: Ruth Ann Fate and Shawna Keller.

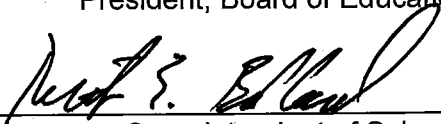
Let the record show the meeting was digitally recorded. The recording is on file as a matter of record.



Attorney for the School District



President, Board of Education



Superintendent of Schools



Clerk, Board of Education



Date of Board Approval