

COMMERCE PUBLIC SCHOOLS

REGULAR MEETING BOARD OF EDUCATION OCTOBER 8, 2007

1. The Commerce Board of Education met in regular session Monday, October 8, 2007, in the High School Library. Those present were Steve Hartman, Gene Langston, Jim Cossairt, and Paula Tedlock. Dan McMMain was absent. A quorum being established the meeting was called to order by Steve Hartman at 6:33 p.m.
2. Tedlock gave the invocation.
3. Consent Agenda:
 - a. Minutes of the September 10, 2007 regular board meeting.
 - b. Approval of the monthly financial report of activity funds.
 - c. Approval of the monthly treasurer's report.
 - d. Approval of the list of General Fund encumbrances and warrants for September payroll. (\$426,965.74)
 - e. Approval of the list of General Fund warrants and claims for October bills.
 - f. Approval of the list of General Fund warrants and claims for June encumbrances.
 - g. Approval of the list of Co-op Fund warrants and claims for September Payroll (\$5,406.72).
 - h. Approval of the list of Co-op Fund warrants and claims for October bills.
 - i. Approval of the list of Building Fund warrants and claims for October bills.
 - j. Approval of the list of Child Nutrition Fund encumbrances and warrants for September payroll (\$20,757.25).
 - k. Approval of the list of Child Nutrition warrants and claims for October bills.
 - l. Approval of the list of substitute teachers for SY 2007-2008.
 - m. Vote to approve or not approve the additional list of fundraisers for SY 2007-2008.

Motion by Cossairt, second by Tedlock to approve items "a-m" as recommended by Superintendent, Jim Haynes. Vote: Cossairt-yes, Tedlock-yes, Hartman-yes, Langston-yes, McMMain-absent.

4. Hartman thanked the guests for attending the board meeting. Present were Danny Garner of 1st State Bank, Kristy Moudy, Rochelle Crawford and the high school cheerleaders.

5. Recognition of Students:
 - a. The Board recognized and commended the High School Cheerleaders on their Class 2A Regional Cheerleading Championship by presenting them with a certificate.
 - b. The Commerce High School Softball Team, District Champions, was unable to attend the meeting. They will be recognized next month.
6. Public communications: Danny Garner from the 1st State Bank in Commerce presented the board with a proposal on the school moving their funds to 1st State.
7. The board to provide an opportunity for a tribe, or their designee, parent, or group of parents concerned with the educational opportunity of any student or group of students in the Commerce School District to:
 - a. Present views regarding application for P.L. 81-874 "Impact Aid" funds.
 - b. Make recommendations concerning the needs of their children.
 - c. Provide input into the planning and development of the educational program of the district.
 - d. Present views on the educational program and its operation.

No comments were made.
8. Motion by Tedlock, second by Langston to approve the P.L. 81-874 Indian Policies and Procedures as recommended by Haynes. Seconded by Langston. Tedlock-yes, Langston-yes, Hartman-yes, Cossairt-yes, McMain-absent.
9. Written communications: an OSSBA meeting in Pryor on November 8.
10. Governor Brad Henry's Proclamation proclaiming the week of October 8-12, 2007, as "Education Support Personnel Week: in the State of Oklahoma.
11. Administrator' Report:
 - a. Superintendent's Report: Mr. Haynes advised the board that the Superintendents office had moved and that he had received a bid on building the vault at the new office. He advised them that Brian Waybright and received a letter from Attorney Artie Howard. He is the attorney for the Mickey Mantle Trust. The Mantle Family was questioning their liability at the Mickey Mantle Tournament. He also informed them that the Pepsi machines should be here on Thursday.
 - b. Elementary Principal's Report: Mr. Wade advised them of Support Personnel Week, and that October was Fire Prevention month and that the elementary would be going to the Coleman Theatre on October 9 for a presentation. He advised that October 12 there would be a campus wide evacuation at 9:00 a.m. This is a drill in the event a situation might arise when the school would have to evacuate. Also, October 18 & 19 is fall break.

- c. Middle School Principal's Report: Mr. Haynes, Mr. Brough, and Mr. Buttram have been covering for Mr. Logan during his absence.
 - d. High School Principal's Report: Mr. Buttram advised he is working on the accreditation report. He informed them that the Art room had flooded due to a broken water line. Also, it is evaluation time.
 - e. Athletic Directors Report: Athletic Director Rusty Barker was unable to attend the meeting.
12. Motion by Tedlock, second by Cossairt to approve the School District 2007-2008 Budget in compliance with the School Budget Bill-S.B 1084 as recommended by Haynes. Tedlock-yes, Cossairt-yes, Langston-yes, Hartman-yes, and McMMain-absent.
13. Motion by Cossairt, second by Tedlock to approve the "Contract for Career and Technology Education Programs for School year 2007-2008" as recommended by Haynes. Cossairt-yes, Tedlock-yes, Langston-yes, Hartman-yes and McMMain-absent.
14. Motion by Cossairt, second by Langston to approve the Professional Development Committee Members for School Year 2007-2008 as recommended by Haynes. Cossairt-yes, Langston-yes, Tedlock-yes, Hartman-yes and McMMain-absent.
15. Proposed executive session to discuss:
- a. status of current negotiations with the Commerce Association of Classroom teachers so that the Board can return to open session and vote to ratify or not ratify the Negotiated Agreement between the board and the Commerce Association of Classroom Teachers. 25 O.S. § 307(B)(2)
 - b. employing, hiring, appointing, promoting, demoting, disciplining, or receiving the resignation of an employee, with no resulting vote to be made. 25 O.S. § (307)(B)(1)
16. Motion by Tedlock, second by Cossairt to convene in executive session. Vote: Tedlock-yes, Cossairt-yes, Langston-yes, Hartman-yes, McMMain-absent. Time:7:55 p.m.
17. Motion by Cossairt, second by Tedlock to return to open session. Vote: Cossairt-yes, Tedlock-yes, Langston-yes, Hartman-yes, McMMain-absent. Time: 9:37 p.m.
18. Hartman said, "Only items listed on the executive session agenda was discussed and no votes were taken. Those present in executive session were the four board members, Mr. Haynes, Mr. Wade, Mr. Brough and Mr. Buttram."
19. Motion by Tedlock, second by Cossairt to ratify the Negotiated Agreement between the Board and the Commerce Association of Classroom Teachers as recommended by Haynes. Vote: Tedlock-yes, Cossairt-yes, Hartman-yes, Langston-yes, McMMain-absent.

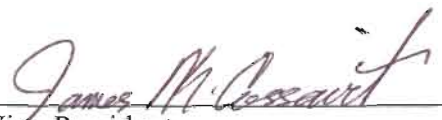
20. Motion by Cossairt, second by Langston to approve certified and support personnel contracts for school year 2007-2008 as recommended by Haynes. Vote: Cossairt-yes, Langston-yes, Tedlock-yes, Hartman-yes, McMMain-absent.
21. New Business: Motion by Cossairt, second by Langston to approve a softball tournament fund raiser for Tammy Jo Brazil after it has been check out by Mr. Haynes and Mr. Buttram and they approve of it. Vote: Cossairt-yes, Langston-yes, Hartman-yes, Tedlock-yes, McMMain-absent.
22. Motion to adjourn by Tedlock, second by Langston to adjourn. Vote: Tedlock -yes, Langston-yes, Hartman-yes, Cossairt-yes, McMMain-absent. Time: 9:44 p.m.

(ATTEST)



President-Board of Education


Deputy Clerk



Vice-President



Member



Clerk

Date: 11/12/2007



Minutes Clerk

Date: 11-12-07

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