

**GUTHRIE PUBLIC SCHOOLS
BOARD MINUTES
SPECIAL MEETING
MAY 1, 2023**

**MINUTES OF THE GUTHRIE PUBLIC SCHOOLS BOARD OF EDUCATION
SPECIAL MEETING HELD AT 6:00 P.M. IN THE ADMINISTRATION BUILDING,
802 EAST VILAS, GUTHRIE, OKLAHOMA ON MAY 1, 2023**

Board Members Present:

Janna Pierson, Gail Davis, Chris Schroder, Tina Smedley, Matt Girard, Travis Sallee and Ron Plagg

District Level School Officials Present:

**Dr. Mike Simpson, Superintendent
Doug Ogle, Assistant Superintendent
Carmen Walters, Executive Director of
Federal Programs/Elementary Ed
Dr. Michelle Chapple, CFO
Angie Young, Director of Special Services
Cody Thompson, Director of Operations**

- 1. The meeting was called to order by President Plagg at 6:00 p.m.**
- 2. Members Tina Smedley, Janna Pierson , Gail Davis, Chris Schroder, Matt Girard, Travis Sallee and Ron Plagg were present for roll call.**
- 3. A quorum was established.**
- 4. President Plagg asked everyone to stand and join him in the Pledge of Allegiance.**
- 5. President Plagg asked everyone to join him in a Moment of Silence.**
- 6. President Plagg called for proposed executive session for the purpose of discussing employment of personnel, FMLA requests, resignation/separation from employment and transfer of position requests all as set out on the Personnel Reports, disclosure of which information would violate the confidentiality requirements of state and/or federal law all pursuant to Okla. Stat. tit. 25, §§ 307 (B) 1 and 7; and for the purpose of having confidential communications between the Board and its attorney concerning an investigation and possible legal action against Centennial Contractors Enterprises, Inc. (“Centennial”) regarding performance of services under a Construction Management Contract (“Contract”) between the District and Centennial dated August 16, 2022 as authorized by Okla. Stat. tit. 25, § 307(b)(4). The Board has been advised by its attorney that public disclosure of such**

communications will seriously impair the Board's ability to investigate and prosecute any such legal action.

- 6A. A motion was made by Schroder and seconded by Smedley to into executive session.**

The motion carried with 7 ayes and 0 nays. Executive session began at 6:02 p.m.

- 6B. President Plagg acknowledged the Board's return to open session at 7:18 p.m.**

- 6C. President Plagg stated that in executive session only those items listed in Agenda Item 6 were discussed and no votes were taken.**

- 7. President Plagg called for vote on action as set out on the Personnel Reports.**

A motion was made by Pierson and seconded by Davis to approve the Personnel Reports.

The motion carried with 7 ayes and 0 nays.

- 8. President Plagg called for recommendation, consideration and action to name a principal for Charter Oak Elementary.**

A motion was made by Schroder and seconded by Smedley to name Emily Carpenter as principal for Charter Oak Elementary.

The motion carried with 7 ayes and 0 nays.

- 9. President Plagg called for recommendation, consideration and action to name an assistant principal and/or Dean of Students at Guthrie High School.**

A motion was made by Pierson and seconded by Girard to name Jeanne Ambriz as assistant principal and Justin Stevens as Dean of Students at Guthrie High School.

The motion carried with 7 ayes and 0 nays.

- 10. President Plagg called for discussion and vote to take any action deemed necessary by the Board with regard to the investigation and possible legal action against Centennial involving claims arising under the Contract.**

A motion was made by Smedley and seconded by Schroder that the Board authorizes the Superintendent the authority to sever the contract with Centennial.

The motion carried with 7 ayes and 0 nays.

11. President Plagg called for the meeting to be adjourned.

A motion was made by Smedley and seconded by Schroder to adjourn the meeting.

The motion carried with 7 ayes and 0 nays.

The meeting adjourned at 7:22 p.m.



Samantha Stewart, Minutes Clerk



Ron Plagg, President

APPROVED

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