

**NOWATA PUBLIC SCHOOL
BOARD OF EDUCATION**

Regular Meeting

High School Commons Area
707 West Osage
Nowata, Oklahoma 74048

December 13, 2010

7:00 p.m.

Members Present: Rick Reid, President
Patrick Hagerman, Vice-president
Debra Fink, Clerk
Rick Holland, Member
Fred Bailey, Superintendent
Dee Armstrong, Board Minute Clerk

Member Absent: Bill Maddux, Member

Posting of Agenda:

Date: December 10, 2010
Time: 10:00 a.m.
Person: Fred Bailey
Location: Office of the Superintendent
Office of Nowata County Clerk
Municipal Office

- Item 1. The president called the meeting to order in the high school commons area and noted that all members were present.
- Item 2. Tina Hubert, Kyle Jones, and Clint Hallet were also present at the meeting.
- Item 3. Kyle Jones from the office of Jack H. Jenkins, C.P.A, presented the 2009-2010 school audit. Mr. Hagerman made a motion to approve the aud, seconded by Mrs. Fink. The motion carried (4-0) as follows: Reid-yes, Fink-yes, Holland-yes, Hagerman-yes. A copy of the audit will be made part of the permanent board file.
- Item 4. Mr. Hagerman made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Fink to approve the following items on the consent agenda:
- A. Minutes of the November 8, 2010, Regular Meeting
 - B. Minutes of the November 19, 2010, Special Meeting
 - C. Minutes of the December 1, 2010, Special Meeting
 - D. Treasurer's Report for October 2010
 - E.. General Fund Expenditure Comparison Analysis for October 2010

The motion carried (4-0) as follows: Hagerman-yes, Fink-yes, Holland-yes, Reid-yes. A copy of the documents will be made part of the permanent board file.

- Item 4. Mr. Hagerman made a motion to approve encumbrances #430 through #474 in the amount of \$24,031.51 from the General Fund, #19 in the amount of \$150.92 from the Child Nutrition Fund and #7 through #9 in the amount of \$20,449.57 from the Gifts Fund. Mrs. Fink seconded and the motion carried (4-0) as follows: Holland-yes, Fink-yes, Hagerman-yes, Reid-yes. A copy of the encumbrance register and change order listing will be made part of the permanent board file.
- Item 5. Mr. Holland made a motion to approve the Student Activity Fund Report for the month of November. Mr. Hagerman seconded and the motion carried (4-0) as follows: Holland-yes, Fink-yes, Hagerman-yes, Reid-yes. A copy of the report will be made part of the permanent board file.
- Item 6. The Superintendent reported the following:
- 1) We have a total number of 101 Gifted students in our school. At the elementary school, Mrs. Renfroe and Mrs. Thompson pull the students out for a special session once a week. At the middle school and high school, the students are moved up to take classes with the next grade level in certain subjects. The total amount spent for last year was approximately \$143,000.
 - 2) Clint Hallett and Cindy Trammel have both filed to fill board member office number one, held by Debbie Fink. Mr. Hallett is present at this meeting.
 - 3) Our state officials feel that next year, Oklahoma public school education funding could be cut \$400,000,000 which means that Nowata public school funding will be cut approximately \$300,000.
 - 4) Mr. Hagerman asked about the status of the Lincoln Building and if the school could sell it. The superintendent said that the building had been winterized and he would check into the possibility of a selling it.
 - 5) Mr. Hagerman remarked about our declining enrollment.
- Item 7. Michelle Renfroe, Elementary Principal, reported that there is one family of four children that has moved away and returned several times this year.
- 1) Teachers and students are working hard on the teaching and learning of P.A.S.S. objectives.
 - 2) Elementary students finished their second benchmark tests about a week ago and the N.W.E.A. has been administered over the last couple of weeks.
 - 3) With the hustle and bustle of Christmas approaching we have a “Giving Tree” in the lobby, caroling trips and programs, the P.T.O. is having a Holiday Shop at the elementary school library and they have lots of good stocking stuffers.
 - 2) Christmas parties will commence on Friday at 2:30 p.m.
- Item 8. Kathy Berry, Middle School Principal:

- 1) Special Education laws are changing. No one is to touch a special needs child unless they have proper training. Mrs. Berry has become a C.P.I. trainer. At the January 3, 2011 inservice meeting, Mrs. Berry will train the high school principal, the elementary principal, all Special Education teachers and all paraprofessionals who work with Special Education students. The new law will go into effect January of 2011.
- 2) Our choir and band concert took place Sunday afternoon, December 12, 2010. It went very well with a large number of parents and teachers attending.
- 3) Middle School students have been testing on N.W.E.A., to assure that we are addressing student needs.
- 4) Basketball season is in full swing. Our 8th grade boys and 7th grade girls won first place consolation at the Claremore Sequoyah tournament. The 8th grade boys won second place in the Pawhuska tournament. Our teams are playing Dewey tonight and Claremore Sequoyah Thursday night.

Item 9. Bron Williams, High School Principal:

- 1) Austin Beck was named one of twenty-five Oklahoma students who made the Daily Oklahoman All-State first team. Our girls had their second win in the basketball tournament at Sperry. Our boys won the Sperry tournament.
- 2) High school students are testing with N.W.E.A. software.
- 3) Nowata High School has been approved as an A.C.T. testing site. We are hoping that 70% to 75% of our eligible students will take the test.

Item 10. Tina Hubert representing Nowata Classroom Teachers Association told the board that NCTA has been collecting items for the nursing home and food for the animal shelter as Christmas projects.

Item 11. After discussion, Mr. Holland made a motion to change the times of the regularly scheduled Board of Education meetings to 6:00 p.m. in the evenings, seconded by Patrick Hagerman and the motion carried, 4-0) as follows: Holland-yes, Fink-yes, Hagerman-yes, Reid-yes. A copy of the calendar will be made part of the permanent board file.

Item 12. Mr. Hagerman made a motion to approve the Schedule of meetings of the Nowata Board of Education for the 2011 calendar year with the change of meeting times from 7:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. Mrs. Fink seconded and the motion carried (4-0) as follows: Holland-yes, Fink-yes, Hagerman-yes, Reid-yes. The calendar will be included in the permanent board file.

Item 13. There was no new business to come before the board.

Item 14. Mr. Hagerman made a motion to convene in an executive session to discuss the superintendent's evaluation, pursuant to 25 O.S. Section 307 (B)(1). Mr. Holland seconded and the motion carried (4-0) as follows: Holland-yes, Fink-yes, Hagerman-yes, Reid-yes.

- Item 15. Mr. Hagerman made a motion to acknowledge that the board had returned to open session. Mr. Holland seconded and the motion carried (4-0) as follows: Holland-yes, Fink-yes, Hagerman-yes, Reid-yes.

- Item 16. The president reported that during executive session, the board discussed the superintendent's evaluation.

- Item 17. With no further business to come before the board, Mr. Hagerman made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Mrs. Fink. The motion carried (4-0) as follows: Maddux-yes, Holland-yes, Fink-yes, Hagerman-yes, Reid-yes. The meeting was adjourned at 8:10 p.m.

ATTEST:

President, Board of Education

Clerk, Board of Education

Member

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Member