

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the

**STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION
2500 NORTH LINCOLN BOULEVARD
STATE BOARD ROOM, SUITE 1-20
OKLAHOMA CITY, OKLAHOMA**

June 22, 2017

The State Board of Education met in regular session at 9:34 a.m. on Thursday, June 22, 2017, in the Board Room of the Oliver Hodge Education Building at 2500 North Lincoln Boulevard, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma. The final agenda was posted at 9:20 a.m. on Wednesday, June 21, 2017.

The following were present:

Ms. Terrie Cheadle, Chief Executive Secretary
Mr. Brad Clark, General Counsel

Members of the State Board of Education present:

State Superintendent Joy Hofmeister, Chairperson of the Board
MG (R) Lee Baxter, Lawton
Mr. William "Bill" Flanagan, Claremore
Ms. Cathryn Franks, Roosevelt
Mr. Daniel Keating, Tulsa
Mr. Robert J. Ross, Oklahoma City
Mr. William "Bill" Price, Oklahoma City

Others in attendance are shown as an attachment.

**CALL TO ORDER
AND
ROLL CALL**

State Superintendent Joy Hofmeister called the State Board of Education regular meeting to order at 9:34 a.m. and welcomed everyone to the meeting. Ms. Cheadle called the roll and ascertained there was a quorum.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE, OKLAHOMA
FLAG SALUTE, AND MOMENT OF SILENCE**

Superintendent Hofmeister led Board Members and all present in the Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag, a salute to the Oklahoma Flag, and a moment of silence.

STATE SUPERINTENDENT

Information from the State Superintendent

Superintendent Hofmeister updated on Activity Fund appropriations/allocation legislation; education bills/implementation; EngageOK Summer Conference; Draft ESSA Consolidated State Plan; continued teacher shortage and emergency certification requirement two-year extension; and meal resources #Foodforthought public awareness campaign and student hunger statistics.

Dr. Robyn Miller, Deputy Superintendent, Educator Effectiveness and Policy responded to teacher certification questions, emergency and alternative certificate qualifications, data collection/comparisons; and college credit coursework grant opportunity.

BOARD ADMINISTRATIVE

**May 25, 2017 Regular Meeting Minutes
of the State Board of Education Approved**

Board member Franks moved to approve the minutes of the May 25, 2017, regular meeting. Board member Ross seconded the motion. The motion carried with the following votes: General Baxter, abstain; Ms. Franks, yes; Mr. Flanagan, yes; Mr. Ross, yes; Mr. Keating, yes; Mr. Price, yes; and Superintendent Hofmeister, yes.

First-Year Superintendents

First-year superintendent Doyle Edwards, Hominy Public Schools attended the meeting.

CONSENT DOCKET Approved

Discussion and possible action on the following deregulation applications, statutory waivers, and exemptions for the 2016-2017 school year and other requests:

- (a) **Abbreviated School Day – OAC 210:35-29-2 and 210:35-3-46**
Bartlesville Public Schools, Washington County
- (b) **General Fund for Capital Expenditures – 70 O.S. § 1-117 and OAC 210:25-5-4**
Bishop Public Schools, Comanche County
Haworth Public Schools, McCurtain County
- (c) **Library Media Services – OAC 210:35-5-71 and 210:35-9-71**
Cyril Public Schools, Caddo County
Bishop Public Schools, Comanche County
Fletcher Public Schools, Comanche County
Jay Public Schools, Delaware County
Wynnewood Public Schools, Garvin County
Wynona Public Schools, Osage County
Glenpool Public Schools, Tulsa County
Bartlesville Public Schools, Washington County
Mooreland Public Schools, Woodward County
Depew Public Schools, Creek County
Commerce Public Schools, Ottawa County
- (d) **Library Media Specialist Certificate Exemption – 70 O. S. § 3-126**
Navajo Public Schools, Jackson County
Bartlesville Public Schools, Washington County
- (e) Request approval on exceptions to State Board of Education teacher certification regulations to permit issuance of emergency (provisional) certificates – **70 O. S. § 6-187**

Board member Baxter moved to approve the Consent Docket. Board member Price seconded the motion. The motion carried with the following votes: Mr. Price, yes; Mr. Keating, yes; Mr. Ross, yes; Mr. Flanagan, yes; Ms. Franks, yes; General Baxter, yes; and Superintendent Hofmeister, yes.

GOVERNMENT AFFAIRS

FY18 Education Budget

Carolyn Thompson, Chief of Government Affairs presented a recommendation request for the Fiscal Year 2018 Education Budget. A budget proposal was presented to Board members for review of Senate Bill 860, education budget history, programs, descriptions, purpose, and appropriations.

Board members discussed and asked questions on budget program requirements, updated progress reports/data; and revenue failure statistics/affects.

Board member Baxter moved to approve the \$21,678,395 FY18 Common Education budget. Board member Ross seconded the motion. The motion carried with the following votes: General Baxter, yes; Ms. Franks, yes; Mr. Flanagan, yes; Mr. Ross, yes; Mr. Keating, yes; Mr. Price, yes; and Superintendent Hofmeister, yes.

(Board member Ross left at 10:57 a.m.)

PUBLIC AFFAIRS

Report on EngageOK on the Road Summer Conference

Heather Griswold, Chief of Public Affairs, presented a report on the 2017 EngageOK Summer Conference starting July 10 through July 20. The “On the Road” school site conferences this year include Yukon High School, Union High School Tulsa, Enid High School, Weatherford High School, Durant High School, Ada High School, and Cache 5th & 6th Grade Center. Attendees are offered multiple sessions and professional development opportunities; and presentations of various awards, recognitions and announcements. Board members will be updated on conference sponsorship guidelines, solicitation and lists.

ACADEMIC AFFAIRS and PLANNING

Oklahoma Advisory Council on Indian Education (OACIE) Annual Report

Lucyann Harjo, Chairwomen, Oklahoma Advisory on Indian Education (OACIE) presented the 2016 OACIE annual report updating Native American student academic performance, progress and data comparisons in Oklahoma tribal boundaries; and recommendations for staffing increases in the SDE-American Indian Education Office; additional cultural diversity staff development; build tribal partnerships; and an inclusion mandate of Native American history curriculum..

Ms. Harjo overviewed statewide Indian Education programs, funding, BIE/federal agency support; tribal concerns integrating Native curriculum instruction, cultural comprehension, Native American educator recruitment, SDE Indian Education resources, and Indian Summits and conferences.

STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION OFFICE

Charter School Sponsorship contract between the Le Monde International School and the State Board of Education - Approved

Brad Clark, General Counsel, State Board of Education, presented a request to amend the Le Monde International Schools charter school sponsorship contract with the pre-opening and timeline requirements of the State Board of Education.

Board members asked questions and discussed contract assurances.

Board member Price moved to approve the amended contract. Board member Baxter seconded the motion. The motion carried with the following votes: Mr. Price, yes; Mr. Keating, yes; Mr. Flanagan, yes; Ms. Franks, yes; General Baxter, yes; and Superintendent Hofmeister, yes.

Mr. Clark introduced Lewis Jackson, a member of Superintendent's Advisory Council, who shadowed SDE legal staff for a week. Mr. Jackson is a recent graduate of Lawton Public Schools and has plans to attend University of Oklahoma in the fall.

Resolve into Executive Session pursuant to 25 O. S. §§ 307 (B) (4) (7) and (8) for the purpose of discussing possible action to issue emergency orders summarily suspending the teacher certificate and certificate number of 1) Cori Harris; 2) Rocky Walker; 3) Douglas Ford; 4) Clifton Smith; 5) David Price; and 6) Jonathan Hampton pending individual proceedings for revocation or other action - 70 O. S. § 3-104; 75 O. S. § 314; OAC 210-1-5-6 - Approved

Board member Price moved to convene into Executive Session at 11:38 a.m. Board member Flanagan seconded the motion. The motion carried with the following votes: General Baxter, yes; Ms. Franks, yes; Mr. Flanagan, yes; Mr. Keating, yes; Mr. Price, yes; and Superintendent Hofmeister, yes.

Brad Clark, General Counsel, State Board of Education remained in the Executive Session.

Return to Open Session

Board member Flanagan moved to return to Open Session at 11:58 a.m. Board member Price seconded the motion. The motion carried with the following votes: Mr. Price, yes; Mr. Keating, yes; Mr. Flanagan, yes; Ms. Franks, yes; General Baxter, yes; and Superintendent Hofmeister, yes.

Superintendent Hofmeister said no decisions were made on the matters discussed in the Executive Session.

Board member Price moved to table the suspension of Clifton Smith. Board member Baxter seconded the motion. The motion carried with the following votes: General Baxter, yes; Ms. Franks, yes; Mr. Flanagan, yes; Mr. Keating, yes; Mr. Price, yes; and Superintendent Hofmeister, yes.

Board member Price moved to suspend the teacher certificates and certificate numbers of 1) **Cori Harris**; 2) **Rocky Walker**; 3) **Douglas Ford**; 5) **David Price**; and 6) **Jonathan Hampton**. Board member Franks seconded the motion. The motion carried with the following votes: Mr. Price, yes; Mr. Keating, yes; Mr. Flanagan, yes; Ms. Franks, yes; General Baxter, yes; and Superintendent Hofmeister, yes.

NEW BUSINESS

David McKinney, General Counsel, State Department of Education, reported an unsealed indictment was filed in the United States District Courts of Eastern Oklahoma against Buck Hammers, former Superintendent, Grant-Goodland School District. The State Board of Education suspended Mr. Hammer's Superintendent certificate credential. The nine count indictment included conspiracy to commit bank fraud, conspiracy to embezzle federal program funds, embezzlement of federal program funds, and six counts of bank fraud.

ADJOURNMENT

Board member Flanagan moved to adjourn the meeting at 12:02 a.m. Board member Price seconded the motion. Board members unanimously agreed.

The next regular meeting of the State Board of Education will be held on Thursday, June 27, 2017, at 9:30 a.m. The meeting will convene at the State Department of Education-State Board Room, 2500 North Lincoln Blvd., Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

Joy Hofmeister, Chairperson of the Board

Terrie Cheadle, Chief Executive Secretary