

**Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the**

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

**November 15, 2016**

The State Board of Education met in regular session at 9:31 a.m. on Tuesday, November 15, 2016, in the Board Room of the Oliver Hodge Education Building at 2500 North Lincoln Boulevard, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma. The final agenda was posted at 9:25 a.m. on Monday, November 14, 2016.

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  
Ms. Cathryn Franks, Roosevelt  
Mr. Daniel Keating, Tulsa  
Mr. William "Bill" Flanagan, Claremore  
Mr. William "Bill" Price, Oklahoma City  
Mr. Robert J. Ross, Oklahoma City

Members of the State Board of Education not present:

MG (R) Lee Baxter, Lawton

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 9:31 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 said the fourth of seven town hall forums took place last evening at Capitol Hill High School in south Oklahoma City. Discussion topics surrounded our state plan and the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA). Students, teachers, parents and retirees attended to voice concerns and discussed their plans for education in their community. All concerns were noted for inclusion in the state's ESSA plan as evidence of the stakeholder feedback requirement. We are very pleased and appreciative with the hundreds of people who have been engaged. The forum continues tonight at Metro Baptist Church, north Tulsa; December 5 at Enid High School, December 6 at Yukon High School and ending with the final forum on December 12 at Martin Luther King Community Center in Muskogee.

Draft #1 of the ESSA Plan was recently uploaded and everyone is invited to review. The 2017 student enrollment number 692,670 was released today. In 2015, the number of students enrolled totaled 688,300. To date there has been a 9.2 percent increase in student enrollment since 2005.

Hilldale Elementary School in the Putnam City Public Schools is featured in the new issue of "ELEVATE." The schools' progress towards school improvement and their work with community partnerships is highlighted.

**Employee Service Recognitions**

Superintendent Hofmeister recognized State Department of Education employee Pamala Ross, Claims Processor, Financial Services for 30 years of service to the state of Oklahoma.

## **First-Year Superintendents**

First-year superintendent's attending the meeting were Dale Spradlin, Buffalo Public Schools; Stacy Henderson, Quinton Public Schools; Justin Smith, Temple Public Schools; and Cris Wyse, Lowry Public Schools.

## **BOARD ADMINISTRATIVE**

### **October 27, 2016 Regular Meeting Minutes of the State Board of Education Approved**

Board member Ross moved to approve the minutes of the October 27, 2016, regular meeting. Board member Franks seconded the motion. The motion carried with the following votes: Ms. Franks, yes; Mr. Flanagan, yes; Mr. Ross, yes; Mr. Keating, yes; Mr. Price, yes; and Superintendent Hofmeister, yes.

## **PUBLIC COMMENT**

David Hooks, Attorney, representing Grant Public School employees, signed up to address one-time severance allowance payments to former certified/support employees of Grant Public School District.

## **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) Request approval on exceptions to State Board of Education teacher certification regulations to permit issuance of emergency (provisional) certificates – **70 O. S. § 6-187**
- (b) **General Fund for Capital Expenditures – 70 O.S. § 1-117 and OAC 210:25-5-4**  
Dover Public Schools, Kingfisher County

Board member Ross moved to approve the Consent Docket. Board member Franks 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; and Superintendent Hofmeister, yes.

## **FINANCIAL SERVICES**

### **Application for one-time FY2017 Severance Allowance payments to former certified and support employees of Gage Public School District which annexed to Fargo Public Schools and Grant Public School District which mandatorily annexed to Hugo Public School District during FY2016 Approved**

Matt Holder, Deputy Superintendent, Finance and Federal Programs presented a request to issue severance allowance payments to 10 employees from Gage and Grant Public Schools who met the severance package requirements. Mr. Holder advised that opportunities for other district employees and adherence to the September 1 deadline would require a review of the state statute and rules by Legal Counsels.

Board members asked questions and discussed qualified personnel, state statutes, and eligibility verification.

Brian Young, Attorney, representing teachers at Grant Public Schools said he met with nine teachers and some now have employment. Approximately 21 which include support personnel would have been available.

Board member Flanagan moved to approve the request for 10 one-time FY17 severance payments. Board member Keating seconded the motion. The motion carried with the following votes: Ms. Franks, yes; Mr. Flanagan, yes; Mr. Ross, nay; Mr. Keating, yes; Mr. Price, yes; and Superintendent Hofmeister, yes.

### **Call for an election on the consolidation of Olustee Public School District and Eldorado Public School District Approved**

Mr. Holder presented a request to call an election for voluntary consolidation of Olustee and Eldorado Public School Districts forming one district.

Board Member Flanagan moved to approve the request. Board member Keating 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; and Superintendent Hofmeister, yes.

### **Proposed Qualified Zone Academy Bond (QZAB) Allocations for Alex Public Schools Approved**

Nancy Hughes, Executive Director, State Financial Accounting presented a \$1 million dollar Qualified Zone Academy Bond (QZAB) allocation request for Alex Public Schools to update the districtwide technology program. The district has met qualifications for bonds, developed partnership contributions and created a zone academy program.

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

## **ASSESSMENT and ACCOUNTABILITY**

### **Update on the Assessment and Accountability Task Force**

Dr. Janet Dunlop, Deputy Superintendent, Assessment and Accountability presented an update on the process and progress of the Assessment and Accountability Task Force as outlined in House Bill 3218. Dr. Dunlop reviewed stakeholder groups, peer review process, task force timelines/feedback, report card design/indicators; SBE and Legislative review.

Board members asked questions and discussed growth measures, report card template, and district diversity and participation.

## **LEGAL SERVICES**

### **Amended Rules Adoption Approved**

David Kinney, General Counsel, Legal Services, presented a request to adopt the following rule amendments:

(1) **210:15-11-2. Rules and regulations for early childhood education programs [AMENDED]**

Board member Franks moved to approve the amended rule. 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; and Superintendent Hofmeister, yes.

(2) **210:15-39-1. Student apprenticeship, internship, and mentorship programs [NEW]**

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

(3) **210:20-29-5. Principle III (Standards of Performance and Conduct for Teachers) [AMENDED]**

Board member Franks moved to approve the amended rule. Board member Ross 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; and Superintendent Hofmeister, yes.

(4) **210:35-3-188. Child Abuse and Neglect Hotline signs in schools [NEW]**

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

## **STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION OFFICE**

**Resolve into Executive Session pursuant to 25 O. S. §§ 307 (B) (7) and (8)  
for the purpose of discussing possible action to issue emergency orders  
summarily suspending the teacher certificate and certificate number  
of McKensey Maddox and Sherry Hagan.**

### **Convene into Executive Session**

Board member Price move to convene into Executive Session at 10:59 a.m. Board member Flanagan 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; 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 11:10 a.m. Board member Ross seconded the motion. The motion carried with the following votes: Ms. Franks, yes; Mr. Flanagan, yes; Mr. Ross, yes; Mr. Keating, yes; Mr. Price, yes; and Superintendent Hofmeister, yes.

Mr. Clark said no decisions were made on the matters discussed in the Executive Session.

Board member Franks moved for emergency suspension of the teaching certificates of McKensey Maddox and Sherry Hagan. 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; and Superintendent Hofmeister, yes.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

Board member Flanagan moved to adjourn the meeting at 11:12 a.m. Board member Ross seconded the motion. Board members unanimously agreed.

The next regular meeting of the State Board of Education will be held on Thursday, December 15, 2016, at 1:00 p.m. The meeting will convene at the State Department of Education-State Board Room, 2500 North Lincoln Blvd., Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

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Joy Hofmeister, Chairperson of the Board

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Terrie Cheadle, Chief Executive Secretary