

**OSCEOLA SCHOOL DISTRICT#1 BOARD OF EDUCATION
SPECIAL MEETING
Osceola School District
Administration Building
March 30, 2017
5:00 p.m.**

Present: Jacqueline Baker, James Baker, Torian Bell, Ollie Collins and Denise Williams

Absent: Michael Ephlin

Others present: Michael Cox, Superintendent
Alfred Hogan, Assistant Superintendent
Jeanette Walker, Board Recorder
Sandra Brand, Osceola Times

1. James Baker called the meeting to order at 5:02 p.m.
2. Mr. Cox stated Ollie Ambrose and Kristain Dedmon have shown interest in filling Mr. Belcher's position on the school board. Motion Ollie Collins to appoint Kristain Dedmon to fill Sylvester Belcher's position. Motion passed 5-0.
3. Mr. Cox stated that we applied for Erate for our Wide Area Network and Jeanette and Christie evaluated the bids. Jeanette Walker handed out a copy of the evaluation and stated that Ritter Communications received the highest points on the evaluation and requested the Board accept the 5 year bid from Ritter Communications. Motion Jacqueline Baker, seconded by Denise Williams to accept the 5 year bid from Ritter Communications. Motion passed 5-0.
4. Mr. Cox read a letter of resignation from Coach Frankie Gathen effective at the end of the 2016-2017 contract period. Motion Ollie Collins, seconded by Torian Bell to accept Coach Frankie Gathen's resignation. Motion passed 5-0.

Executive Session was called at 5:25 to discuss personnel. The Board returned to Regular Session at 5:58 p.m. with no action taken.

Mr. Cox informed the Board that Big River Steel agreed to pay the cost of the score board for the new arena. He also informed the Board that the Fire Marshall said we have to have three more exits in the new arena.

5. Motion Jackie Baker, seconded by Michael Ephlin to adjourn. Motion passed 4-0. (5:50 p.m.)

(Signed) James Baker, President

(Signed) Denise Williams, Secretary