

OSCEOLA SCHOOL DISTRICT#1 BOARD OF EDUCATION

**Regular Meeting
Osceola School District
Administration Building
September 12, 2016
6:00 p.m.**

Present: Jacqueline Baker, James Baker, Sylvester Belcher, Torian Bell, Ollie Collins, Michael Ephlin and Denise Williams

Absent: None

Others present: Michael Cox, Superintendent
Alfred Hogan, Assistant Superintendent
Jeanette Walker, Board Recorder

1. James Baker called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.
2. James Baker offered invocation.
3. Motion Jacqueline Baker, seconded by Michael Ephlin to approve the August 8, 2016 Regular Minutes and the August 30, 2016 Expulsion Hearing Minutes. Motion passed 7-0.
4. Motion Sylvester Belcher, seconded by Jacqueline Baker to approve the Timed Agenda. Motion passed 7-0.
5. Mr. Cox handed out an enrollment update. He stated that the 4th quarter enrollment last year was 1214 and the enrollment to date is 1163, a difference of 51 students.
6. Mr. Cox stated that he accepted a track of land that Billy Nichols wanted to donate to the school. He stated the lot is beside Phil Beal's house and is about 100-150feet. Motion Michael Ephlin seconded by Jacqueline Baker to accept the donated lot. Motion passed 7-0.
7. Mr. Cox stated that he gave some incorrect GCA contract amounts at previous board meetings and handed out a list of corrected amounts. Mr. Cox stated that the company does a good job and they have good people working for them and they have saved us a lot of money with all the preventive maintenance they do. Mr. Cox stated we need to amend the 2015-2016 and the 2016-2017 contract amounts as shown on the list. Motion Sylvester Belcher, seconded by Ollie Collins to accept the amended GCA contracted amounts as listed. Motion Passed 7-0.
8. Mr. Cox stated that we have a block of land about 7.09 acres by Osceola Parks and Recreation (OPAR) that the city is asking us to donate that land to the city. Michael Ephlin stated that this will give more room for OPAR to expand. Mr. Cox handed out the request from OPAR with the legal description of the land. Motion Jackie Baker, seconded by Torian Bell to lease the land to the City of Osceola for \$10.00 per year for 50 years. Motion passed 6-0 with Michael Ephlin abstaining.

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Motion Denise Williams, seconded by Jacqueline Baker to amend Agenda item # 8 to state Lease of School Land instead of Donation of School Land. Motion passed 6-0 with Michael Ephlin abstaining.

9. Mr. Cox reviewed the financial reports with the Board. Motion Michael Ephlin, seconded by Torian Bell to approve the financial reports. Motion passed 7-0.
10. Mr. Cox reviewed the list of bills with the Board. Motion Denise Williams, seconded by Jacqueline Baker to pay the bills as listed. Motion passed by 7-0.
11. In the Superintendent's Report Mr. Cox stated the Region 7 School Board Training is in Wynne on November 7, and we have registered everyone but we will need a final count at the October Board meeting.

Mr. Cox handed out a fall enrollment report for the Secondary Center. He stated that we have 52 students enrolled in secondary courses at Burdette and 40 student enrolled in Career Readiness.

Mr. Cox stated that the New Board Member Institute is October 17 in Little Rock.

Mr. Cox gave an update on the football field renovations. He stated we will have a ribbon cutting ceremony Friday night at 6:30. Mr. Cox also stated that the soil samples for the Seminole Arena shows that we don't have to have any piers which will save us about \$200,000.

Mr. Cox stated that we will have a Special Board Meeting Thursday, September 22, at 12:00 to approve the budget and will try to get the architects to come and give an update on the Arena.

Executive Session was held from 6:43 – 7:09 p.m. with no action taken.

12. Mr. Cox recommended recommending hiring Rachel Neaveill -1st Grade Teacher at CSE, effective August 15, 2016 and Franklin Teague - Jr. High Assistant Football Coach, effective August 15, 2016. Motion Michael Ephlin, seconded by Torian Bell to approve Mr. Cox's recommendation. Motion passed 7-0

Mr. Cox recommended hiring Violet Speed for CSE Cafeteria. Motion Michael Ephlin, seconded by Sylvester Belcher to approve Mr. Cox's recommendation. Motion passed 7-0.

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Mr. Cox recommended accepting the following resignations:

Darlene Mason – 1st Grade Teacher at CSE
Trina Walls – 5th Grade Teacher at STEM
Mark Rutledge – High School Math Teacher

Motion Sylvester Belcher, seconded by Torian Bell to approve Mr. Cox's recommendation.
Motion passed 7-0.

13. Motion Sylvester Belcher, seconded by Torian Bell to adjourn. Motion passed 7-0.
(7:12 p.m.)

(Signed) James Baker, President

(Signed) Denise Williams, Secretary