



The Welch Board of Education of Independent School District I017 of Craig County, State of Oklahoma, met in regular session on Monday, October 10, 2022, in the Multipurpose/Board Room in the Delbert Lovelace High School, 707 South Curtis Street, Welch, Oklahoma.

I, the undersigned Clerk of the Board of Education of Welch Public Schools, District I017 of Craig County, Oklahoma, do hereby certify that at least 24 hours prior to the meeting excluding Saturday, Sunday, and holidays, notices of date, time, place, and agenda of the meeting were posted in prominent public view at the location of the meeting.

Rowdy Layton, Clerk of the Board of Education

President Shane Burgess called the meeting to order at 5:30 PM. Members present were President Shane Burgess, Vice President Jesse Highsmith, and Clerk Rowdy Layton. Members absent were Deputy Clerk Brian Mooney and Member Shannon Walker. Superintendent of Schools Jeremy Ramsey, Middle and High School Principal Stacy Ezell, and Elementary Principal Kimberley Hall were also present.

A quorum was established.

President Burgess led the assembled in the Pledge of Allegiance.

There was no Public Participation requested.

Stacy Ezell, Middle and High School Principal, reported on the students' Tulsa State Fair results, Junior and High schools football schedules, participation in environmental studies on Thursday, October 13, the late start day and teachers meeting to discuss benchmark testing.

Kimberley Hall, Elementary Principal, reported there was 99% participation in the parent-teacher conferences, students celebrated Fire Prevention Week with Miami Fire Department program and poster contest, gave a COVID update, and discussed the staff meeting on the late start day and their establishing pacing guides with the school year calendar.

Jeremy Ramsey, Superintendent of Schools, discussed the collaborations of teachers during the late start morning meetings and believes he and administration are on the same page, how he wants to start discussions and implementing a plan for outside professional development for next year, logistics of the late start day and its effect on vo-tech students, breakfast, and students in general. Consideration will be given to change the 10/28 and 12/2 school days from late start to early release. ESSER II and III plans have been approved and ready for claims. BOLT e-rate installation of switches and access points should begin next week. Security cameras from ENDEX are two to three months out for equipment and installation. Convection-steam oven and other new equipment has been received and cafeteria tables are on order. Custodial equipment has been ordered and received. Three cleaning machines have been serviced and machines have been distributed throughout the campus for use. The State Accreditation system has not been working properly and deadlines have been extended. He also reported on revenue and expenditures for the month of September.

Motion to approve Consent Agenda Items 6A Minutes of the September 14, 2022, Special Board Meeting; 6B Treasurer's Report, Activity Fund Report, and status of all funds and investments; 6C F22 General Fund Warrant #1365; 6D FY23 General Fund Warrants #134-245 and Building Fund Warrants #17-25; 6E FY23 General Fund Purchase Orders #230-246 and Building Fund Purchase Orders #35-39; 6F School Rental Requests (none presented); and 6G Fundraising Activities Requests (none presented). This motion, made by Jesse Highsmith and seconded by Rowdy Layton, passed.

Shane Burgess: Yea, Jesse Highsmith: Yea, Rowdy Layton: Yea, Brian Mooney: Absent, Shannon Walker: Absent
Yea: 3, Nay: 0, Absent: 2

Motion to accept the Annual Dropout Report and Annual Student Remediation Report provided by the Oklahoma Regents for Higher Education as presented. This motion, made by Jesse Highsmith and seconded by Rowdy Layton, passed.

Shane Burgess: Yea, Jesse Highsmith: Yea, Rowdy Layton: Yea, Brian Mooney: Absent, Shannon Walker: Absent
Yea: 3, Nay: 0, Absent: 2

Motion to approve a FFA out-of-state trip to Kansas City for the Kansas City Royal Show, October 13-15, 2022. This motion, made by Shane Burgess and seconded by Jesse Highsmith, passed.

Shane Burgess: Yea, Jesse Highsmith: Yea, Rowdy Layton: Yea, Brian Mooney: Absent, Shannon Walker: Absent
Yea: 3, Nay: 0, Absent: 2

Motion to declare as surplus three computers from the English Department inventory and six Dell OptiPlex computers from the Business Department inventory as listed. This motion, made by Jesse Highsmith and seconded by Rowdy Layton, passed.

Shane Burgess: Yea, Jesse Highsmith: Yea, Rowdy Layton: Yea, Brian Mooney: Absent, Shannon Walker: Absent
Yea: 3, Nay: 0, Absent: 2

Motion to approve a resolution calling for a Board of Education General Election for Seat #3 to be held April 4, 2023, with a Primary Election (if needed) on February 14, 2023. This motion, made by Shane Burgess and seconded by Jesse Highsmith, passed.

Shane Burgess: Yea, Jesse Highsmith: Yea, Rowdy Layton: Yea, Brian Mooney: Absent, Shannon Walker: Absent
Yea: 3, Nay: 0, Absent: 2

Motion to request the close of Precinct #580009 Ottawa County polling place for split precinct (100 or fewer registered voters). This motion, made by Jesse Highsmith and seconded by Rowdy Layton, passed.

Shane Burgess: Yea, Jesse Highsmith: Yea, Rowdy Layton: Yea, Brian Mooney: Absent, Shannon Walker: Absent
Yea: 3, Nay: 0, Absent: 2

Motion to approve the District Site Committees for School Year 22-23. This motion, made by Jesse Highsmith and seconded by Rowdy Layton, passed.

Shane Burgess: Yea, Jesse Highsmith: Yea, Rowdy Layton: Yea, Brian Mooney: Absent, Shannon Walker: Absent
Yea: 3, Nay: 0, Absent: 2

Motion to approve the ACT being administered to all 11th grade students to fulfill meeting State and Federal requirements for College and Career Readiness Assessment in Math and English for SY22-23. This motion, made by Jesse Highsmith and seconded by Rowdy Layton, passed.

Shane Burgess: Yea, Jesse Highsmith: Yea, Rowdy Layton: Yea, Brian Mooney: Absent, Shannon Walker: Absent
Yea: 3, Nay: 0, Absent: 2

Motion to approve purchase of music instruments funded by Federal Small Rural Schools Grant. This motion, made by Shane Burgess and seconded by Jesse Highsmith, passed.

Shane Burgess: Yea, Jesse Highsmith: Yea, Rowdy Layton: Yea, Brian Mooney: Absent, Shannon Walker: Absent
Yea: 3, Nay: 0, Absent: 2

Motion to approve FY23 Title I School Wide Plans. This motion, made by Jesse Highsmith and seconded by Rowdy Layton, passed.

Shane Burgess: Yea, Jesse Highsmith: Yea, Rowdy Layton: Yea, Brian Mooney: Absent, Shannon Walker: Absent
Yea: 3, Nay: 0, Absent: 2

Motion to approve amended Substitute Pay Schedule. This motion, made by Shane Burgess and seconded by Jesse Highsmith, passed.

Shane Burgess: Yea, Jesse Highsmith: Yea, Rowdy Layton: Yea, Brian Mooney: Absent, Shannon Walker: Absent
Yea: 3, Nay: 0, Absent: 2

Motion to convene in Executive Session pursuant to OKLA. STAT. Title 25 § 307 (B)(1), Supp. 2002), to discuss the following items, so that the Board can return to Open Session and possible board action to approve: 1) Superintendent's Evaluation utilizing the OSSBA BOE tool; 2) Addendum to the SY22-23 Temporary Contract for Jessica Smith; 3) Resignation of Michelle Ford, Support Employee, and 4) Employment of Sherri Eslick-Eller as Long-Term Substitute. This motion, made by Jesse Highsmith and seconded by Shane Burgess, passed.

Shane Burgess: Yea, Jesse Highsmith: Yea, Rowdy Layton: Yea, Brian Mooney: Absent, Shannon Walker: Absent
Yea: 3, Nay: 0, Absent: 2

The Board convened in Executive Session at 6:03 PM.

The Board returned to Open Session at 6:36 PM. President Burgess reported that he, Vice President Highsmith, and Clerk Layton, along with Superintendent of Schools Jeremy Ramsey, convened in Executive Session at 6:03 PM to discuss 1) Superintendent's Evaluation utilizing the OSSBA BOE tool; 2) Addendum to the SY22-23 Temporary Contract for Jessica Smith; 3) Resignation of Michelle Ford, Support Employee, and 4) Employment of Sherri Eslick-Eller as a long-term substitute. No other items were discussed, and no vote was taken while in Executive Session.

President Burgess acknowledged the ongoing Superintendent's evaluation process utilizing the OSSBA BOE tool.

Motion to approve Addendum to the SY22-23 Temporary Contract for Jessica Smith. This motion, made by Jesse Highsmith and seconded by Rowdy Layton, passed.

Shane Burgess: Yea, Jesse Highsmith: Yea, Rowdy Layton: Yea, Brian Mooney: Absent, Shannon Walker: Absent
Yea: 3, Nay: 0, Absent: 2

Motion to accept the resignation of Michelle Ford, Support Employee. This motion, made by Jesse Highsmith and seconded by Rowdy Layton, passed.

Shane Burgess: Yea, Jesse Highsmith: Yea, Rowdy Layton: Yea, Brian Mooney: Absent, Shannon Walker: Absent
Yea: 3, Nay: 0, Absent: 2

Motion to employ Sherri Eslick-Eller as Long-Term Substitute. This motion, made by Jesse Highsmith and seconded by Rowdy Layton, passed.

Shane Burgess: Yea, Jesse Highsmith: Yea, Rowdy Layton: Yea, Brian Mooney: Absent, Shannon Walker: Absent
Yea: 3, Nay: 0, Absent: 2

There was no New Business for the Board to consider.

Motion to adjourn. This motion, made by Jesse Highsmith and seconded by Rowdy Layton, passed.

Shane Burgess: Yea, Jesse Highsmith: Yea, Rowdy Layton: Yea, Brian Mooney: Absent, Shannon Walker: Absent
Yea: 3, Nay: 0, Absent: 2

The meeting adjourned at 6:38 PM

Shane Burgess, President

Shannon Walker, Member

Jesse Highsmith, Vice President

Brian Mooney, Deputy Clerk

Rowdy Layton, Clerk

An official record of these minutes is on file in the Office of the Superintendent, 707 South Curtis Street, Welch, Oklahoma 74369.

Mona Stines, Board Minutes Clerk