

The Welch Board of Education of Independent School District I017 of Craig County, State of Oklahoma, met in regular session on Monday, April 8, 2024, 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 Burgess, Deputy Clerk Brian Mooney, and Member Shannon Walker. Members absent were Vice President Jesse Highsmith and Clerk Rowdy Layton.

A quorum was established.

President Burgess led the Pledge of Allegiance.

There was no Public Participation requested by the visitors present.

Elementary Principal Kimberley Hall reported the Elementary students participated in the Easter program and the G/T students went to NASA with Mrs. Seigel. The Cresap Family Foundation has approved a grant in the amount of \$24,675 for the Adventure Summer Learning Academy again this year. AR rewards are now counting the words a student reads rather than number of books read. One 1st grade student has read over 70,000 words this year.

Middle and High School Principal Stacy Ezell reported on Junior High students placing in a recent track meet, the naming of this year's Top Scholars, the awards received by the girls' basketball team, and March Students of the Month. She stated the Prom will be held at The Heritage in Welch on Friday night. She reported Softball District tournament is April 17 at Covington-Douglas at 11:00 AM and the other end-of-year activities.

Superintendent Jeremy. Ramsey reported that year-end activities and banquets were spread out over the last two weeks of school to avoid conflicts. Livingston Plumbing will replace the sewer pump at a cost of approximately \$6K in the next week. OSDE Regional Accreditation Officer Mike Teel reviewed the District and Site Spring Accreditation notebooks, reporting the District and Sites were accredited with zero deficiencies at present. JOM and Indian Education Open Meetings will be held on Wednesday to discuss budgets and other items pertinent to the programs. Over Spring Break, the school's security system provider, Alert 360, updated alarms and installed additional panels throughout the district. New software programming will allow administration to track access to the buildings on campus. Gym floor

refurbishing and floor maintenance will be conducted over the summer by an independent company. Basketball uniforms for all grades will be replaced this fall. Football uniforms were replaced last year, and Softball and Baseball uniforms will be replaced next year in the rotation.

Mr. Ramsey reported on several items discussed at his monthly Area Superintendent meeting. He will look into a new alcohol and drug testing company from Jay, Oklahoma, for student and bus driver testing with comparable services and pricing. Other schools in the area will also be considering the change to improve consistency in student testing throughout the year.

The District's Federal Consolidation Monitoring Audit was accepted and approved by OSDE Office of Federal Programs.

While discussing the District's budget, Mr. Ramsey reported everything is on track with General Fund revenues through the end of March. He noted the Board members will see the balance depleting in the next few months due to end of year expenses. He also discussed Building Fund revenue and expenditures and reported there would be another Red Bud payment in June.

There were no School Rental Requests presented for approval.

Motion to approve Consent Agenda Item 6A Minutes of the March 11, 2024, Regular Board Meeting; Item 6B Treasurer's Report, Activity Fund Report, and status of all funds and investments; Item 6C FY24 General Fund Purchase Orders 316-326 and Building Fund Purchase Orders 56-57; Item 6D FY24 General Funds Warrants 891-994 and Building Fund Warrants 86-96; and Item 6F Fundraising Request of the Welch FFA to sell corn from June-August, 2024. This motion, made by Brian Mooney and seconded by Shannon Walker, passed.

Shane Burgess: Yea, Jesse Highsmith: Absent, Rowdy Layton: Absent, Brian Mooney: Yea, Shannon Walker: Yea

Yea: 3, Nay: 0, Absent: 2

Motion to verify Board Seat #4 election to Shannon Walker. This motion, made by Shane Burgess and seconded by Brian Mooney, passed.

Shane Burgess: Yea, Jesse Highsmith: Absent, Rowdy Layton: Absent, Brian Mooney: Yea, Shannon Walker: Abstain (With Conflict)

Yea: 2, Nay: 0, Absent: 2, Abstain (With Conflict): 1

The Oath of Office and Loyalty Oath was administered to Shannon Walker by Deputy Clerk Brian Mooney.

Motion to leave current Board Member Officers Shane Burgess, President; Jesse Highsmith, Vice President; Rowdy Layton, Clerk; and Brian Mooney, Deputy Clerk as is. This motion, made by Shannon Walker and seconded by Brian Mooney, passed.

Shane Burgess: Yea, Jesse Highsmith: Absent, Rowdy Layton: Absent, Brian Mooney: Yea, Shannon Walker: Yea

Yea: 3, Nay: 0, Absent: 2

Motion to approve a contract with Stephen L. Smith Corp. as financial consultant to the School District for Fiscal Year 2023-2024. This motion, made by Brian Mooney and seconded by Shannon Walker, passed.

Shane Burgess: Yea, Jesse Highsmith: Absent, Rowdy Layton: Absent, Brian Mooney: Yea, Shannon Walker: Yea

Yea: 3, Nay: 0, Absent: 2

No action was necessary to appoint an acting President and/or acting Clerk for the School District to execute any and all documents pertaining to setting the maturities, date, time, and place of the bond sale.

Motion to approve a resolution determining the maturities of, and setting a date of May 14, 2024, until 11:45 AM, then at 12:00 PM, and place, Delbert Lovelace High School for the sale of the \$235,000 Building Bonds of this School District and designating Terry L. Hawkins of Phillips Murrah P.C., as bond counsel for this issuance of bonds. This motion, made by Shane Burgess and seconded by Shannon Walker, passed.

Shane Burgess: Yea, Jesse Highsmith: Absent, Rowdy Layton: Absent, Brian Mooney: Yea, Shannon Walker: Yea

Yea: 3, Nay: 0, Absent: 2

Motion to approve a Transition School-to-Work Study Contract with OKDRS for FY25. This motion, made by Brian Mooney and seconded by Shannon Walker, passed.

Shane Burgess: Yea, Jesse Highsmith: Absent, Rowdy Layton: Absent, Brian Mooney: Yea, Shannon Walker: Yea

Yea: 3, Nay: 0, Absent: 2

Motion to approve an amendment to the Clearwater Gas Sales Agreement for FY25. This motion, made by Shannon Walker and seconded by Brian Mooney, passed.

Shane Burgess: Yea, Jesse Highsmith: Absent, Rowdy Layton: Absent, Brian Mooney: Yea, Shannon Walker: Yea

Yea: 3, Nay: 0, Absent: 2

Motion to approve a contract with School Based Services, PLLC, to provide evaluations and psychological services for FY25. This motion, made by Brian Mooney and seconded by Shannon Walker, passed.

Shane Burgess: Yea, Jesse Highsmith: Absent, Rowdy Layton: Absent, Brian Mooney: Yea, Shannon Walker: Yea

Yea: 3, Nay: 0, Absent: 2

Motion to approve the Quarter #4 Student Transfer Capacity. This motion, made by Brian Mooney and seconded by Shannon Walker, passed.

Shane Burgess: Yea, Jesse Highsmith: Absent, Rowdy Layton: Absent, Brian Mooney: Yea, Shannon Walker: Yea

Yea: 3, Nay: 0, Absent: 2

Motion to approve an Activity Account Transfer from 836 FFA #2 to 801 FFA #1 in the amount of \$5,323.40. This motion, made by Brian Mooney and seconded by Shannon Walker, passed.

Shane Burgess: Yea, Jesse Highsmith: Absent, Rowdy Layton: Absent, Brian Mooney: Yea, Shannon Walker: Yea

Yea: 3, Nay: 0, Absent: 2

Motion to approve the FY25 Lease Agreement with Lakeland Office Systems for District copiers and toner supplies. This motion, made by Brian Mooney and seconded by Shannon Walker, passed.

Shane Burgess: Yea, Jesse Highsmith: Absent, Rowdy Layton: Absent, Brian Mooney: Yea, Shannon Walker: Yea

Yea: 3, Nay: 0, Absent: 2

Motion to approve the FY25 Agreement for Educational Services between Welch Public Schools and Welch Skills Center (ROCMND). This motion, made by Brian Mooney and seconded by Shannon Walker, passed.

Shane Burgess: Yea, Jesse Highsmith: Absent, Rowdy Layton: Absent, Brian Mooney: Yea, Shannon Walker: Yea

Yea: 3, Nay: 0, Absent: 2

Motion to approve moving May 9, 2024, Regular Board Meeting to May 20, 2024. This motion, made by Brian Mooney and seconded by Shannon Walker, passed.

Shane Burgess: Yea, Jesse Highsmith: Absent, Rowdy Layton: Absent, Brian Mooney: Yea, Shannon Walker: Yea

Yea: 3, Nay: 0, Absent: 2

Motion to enter into a Title III Cooperative Agreement with Commerce Public Schools serving as the Lead Fiscal Agent and Welch Public Schools a Title III Consortium Member District for the 2024-2025 school year. This motion, made by Brian Mooney and seconded by Shannon Walker, passed.

Shane Burgess: Yea, Jesse Highsmith: Absent, Rowdy Layton: Absent, Brian Mooney: Yea, Shannon Walker: Yea

Yea: 3, Nay: 0, Absent: 2

Motion to forego Executive Session and proceed to Item 10 on the agenda. This motion, made by Brian Mooney and seconded by Shannon Walker, passed.

Shane Burgess: Yea, Jesse Highsmith: Absent, Rowdy Layton: Absent, Brian Mooney: Yea, Shannon Walker: Yea

Yea: 3, Nay: 0, Absent: 2

Motion to employ the Certified Teachers as listed on Exhibit A for SY24-25. This motion, made by Shane Burgess and seconded by Brian Mooney, passed.

Shane Burgess: Yea, Jesse Highsmith: Absent, Rowdy Layton: Absent, Brian Mooney: Yea, Shannon Walker: Yea

Yea: 3, Nay: 0, Absent: 2

No resignations or retirements were presented for consideration.

There was no New Business presented for consideration.

Motion to adjourn. This motion, made by Brian Mooney and seconded by Shannon Walker, passed.

Shane Burgess: Yea, Jesse Highsmith: Absent, Rowdy Layton: Absent, Brian Mooney: Yea, Shannon Walker: Yea

Yea: 3, Nay: 0, Absent: 2

The meeting was adjourned at 6:00 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

Superintendent Listing & Recommendations

Exhibit A – Certified Employment for SY 2024 - 2025

--All positions are subject to assignment/reassignment--

| Last Name | First Name | District Status |
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| ANDERSON | SHELLEY | Certified |
| BAYLESS | PATRICIA | Certified |
| BIGGS | KELLI | Certified |
| BRYSON | JOSEPH | Certified |
| BUCHANAN | JULIE | Certified |
| CHENOWETH | ERIC | Certified |
| CHUCKLUCK | SHELLY | Certified |
| CRUZAN | GREGORY | Certified |
| DEES | CAROLYN | Certified |
| GLEAVES | CRYSTAL | Certified |
| GLEAVES | RYAN | Certified |
| GOODWIN | ASHLEY | Certified |
| GOODWIN | SHAWN | Certified |
| McSPADDEN | STACY | Certified |
| MERCER | RHONDA | Certified |
| MILLER | APRIL | Certified |
| MILLER | GALA | Certified |
| ORLER | DAWNI | Certified |
| PERKINS | TRISHA | Certified |
| SEIGEL | BRENDA | Certified |
| SMITH | JESSICA | Certified |
| TROUTMAN | KAITLYN | Certified |