

GREAT PLAINS

Technology Center

**School District No. 9
Regular Board Meeting
Building 100, Auditorium, 4500 SW Lee Blvd, Lawton, Oklahoma 73505
Tuesday, January 7, 2025 at 6:00 PM**

1. Prayer - Brandon Mayer

2. Call to order

3. Introduction of guests

4. Consent Agenda:

- a. Minutes of December 3, 2024 board meeting.
- b. Encumbrances for December 2024: Gen 1623-1726, Bldg 208-225; Gen Payroll 50268-50274. Change Orders for December 2024: Gen \$145,740.96, Bldg \$545.18.
- c. Activity Fund Overview for December 2024.
- d. Transfer activity funds for December 2024.
- e. Public surplus.
- f. Approve Purchase Order 1651 and 225 to Lawton Communications in the sum of \$818.00.

5. Public Comment

This is an open, public meeting held in accordance with the Open Meeting Laws of the State of Oklahoma. The purpose of this meeting is to conduct the business of the Great Plains Technology Center. As elected representatives of the voters and patrons of the Center, the members of the Board of Education will be making decisions concerning the operation of the District. The agenda for Regular Meetings includes an opportunity for the public to address any item appearing on the agenda. Members of the public wishing to speak must sign in with the Clerk of the Board fifteen (15) minutes prior to the convening of the Board meeting. Statements to the Board by the public are limited to no more than three (3) minutes per speaker. The Board reserves the right to limit repetitive comments, comments unrelated to the business of the Board, or the total amount of time dedicated to public comment in a single evening. Board members will not respond to questions or comments during public communications, but the Board President may refer matters of concern to the Superintendent for review and recommendations.

6. Administration Team Report - Blake Thomas: Director of Instruction

7. Treasurer's report - Stacy Pifer

8. Director of Finance report - Lindsey Billen

- a. Discussion and possible board action on transferring activity fund monies.

b. Discussion and possible board action on payment of additional insurance premium to Insurica.

9. Director of Marketing and Communications report - Teresa Abram

(presented by Ken McKee)

10. Executive Director of Instructional Development (Fred) report - Ken McKee

11. Executive Director of Instructional Development (Lawton) report - Justin McNeil

a. Discussion and possible board action on the purchase of 3 Canon video cameras for the Video Production program.

12. Executive Director of Business & Industry Services and Adult Career Development report - Morgan Gould

a. Discussion and possible board action on a Contract Training Vendor for Grant Writing.

13. Director of Instructional Services report - Brandon Mayer

a. Information Only: Follow-Up Data for the 2023-2024 School Year.

14. Director of Information Technology report - Bill Matthey

a. Discussion and possible board action on the purchase of network attached storage.

b. Discussion and possible board action on the purchase of Cisco A-FLEX licenses required for the operation of our district phone systems.

15. Director of Purchasing and Maintenance report - Justin Neeley

a. Discussion and possible board action to donate or auction unwanted items from the newly purchased property at 6501 W Gore Blvd. Lawton, OK.

16. Superintendent's report - Clarence Fortney

a. Next regular board meeting is February 4, 2025.

17. New Business: New business refers to any matter not known about or which could not have been reasonably foreseen prior to the time of posting of the agenda. Okla. Stat. tit. 25, Sec. 311(A)(9).

18. Proposed executive session to discuss:

- a. Discussion on Superintendent's annual evaluation.
- b. Discussion on retirement of Clarence Fortney, Superintendent, effective June 30, 2025.
- c. Discussion on resignation of Aaron Nettles, Cyber Security Instructor, effective December 4, 2024.
- d. Discussion on employment of candidate as Cyber Security Instructor for FY25.
- e. Possible employment of part-time personnel, part-time ACD and BIS personnel for FY25 as listed on agenda item so the board can return to open session to vote on employment matters discussed.

Executive session authority: 25 Okla. Stat. Sec. 307(B)(1) and (7).

19. Vote to convene in executive session

20. Acknowledge board's return to open session

21. Statement of executive session minutes

22. Action Items

- a. Discussion and possible board action on Superintendent's annual evaluation.
- b. Discussion on the retirement of Clarence Fortney, Superintendent, effective June 30, 2025.
- c. Discussion and possible board action on the resignation of Aaron Nettles, Cyber Security Instructor, effective December 4, 2024.
- d. Discussion and possible board action on the employment of candidate as Cyber Security Instructor for FY25.
- e. Discussion and possible board action on employment of part-time personnel, part-time ACD and BIS personnel for FY25.

23. Vote to adjourn

The agenda was posted in the front entry way of Building 100 of the Lawton campus on February 3, 2025 before 4:00 PM by the Minutes Clerk of the Board of Education.

Stacy Pifer, Minutes Clerk