

GEARY SCHOOL BOARD REGULAR MEETING

GEARY HIGH SCHOOL LIBRARY

300 S. BLAINE

MONDAY– MARCH 5TH, 2018

The Board of Education, District I-080 met in Regular Session at the Geary High School Library, 300 S. Blaine, on Monday, March 5th, 2018 at 6:00 p.m. There being a quorum present, the meeting was called to order by Board President, Crystal Briscoe .

The Geary Board of Education has complied with the Open Public Meeting Law.

Notice of this meeting was posted on Friday, March 2nd, 2018 at 3:15 p.m. at Geary High School, 300 S. Blaine, Geary, Oklahoma 73040 and Geary Elementary School, 221 S. Galena, Geary, Oklahoma 73040 and on gearyschools.org.

The following members were present: Scott Hicks, Crystal Briscoe, Jason Bernhardt, Andy Smith and Randall Base. Superintendent Todd Glasgow and Minutes Clerk Tammie Brack were also present.

Visitors at the meeting were: Tim Rawls and Sean Buchanan

Crystal Briscoe led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Hearing from the public. None.

Crystal Briscoe read the Oath of Office and the Loyalty Oath and was sworn in for Seat #3 for a five year term and was seated at the Board.

Board Reorganization-Election of Officers.

Jason made a motion to rotate positions like we used to with the President of the board being the board member that was up for election that year, the vice president being the board member that was up for election the following year, and the Clerk being the board member that was up for election the year after that and continue to rotate with this pattern so everyone could rotate through the positions each year. Randall stated “he does not remember doing that but, he remembers nominating Jason once for President. Motion died for lack of a second.

Andy Smith made the motion, seconded by Randall Base to nominate Crystal Briscoe as Board President. Those voting were: Scott Hicks, yes; Crystal Briscoe, yes; Andy Smith, yes; Jason Bernhardt, yes; and Randall Base, yes. Motion carried 5-0.

Andy Smith made the motion, seconded by Scott Hicks to nominate Jason Bernhardt as Board Vice President. Those voting were: Scott Hicks, yes; Crystal Briscoe, yes; Andy Smith, yes; Jason Bernhardt, yes; and Randall Base, yes. Motion carried 5-0.

Randall Base made the motion, seconded by Jason Bernhardt to nominate Andy Smith as Board Clerk. Those voting were: Scott Hicks, yes; Crystal Briscoe, yes; Andy Smith, yes; Jason Bernhardt, yes; and Randall Base, yes. Motion carried 5-0.

## Presentations:

Baby Bison Ranch Report as presented in the packet. Mr. Glasgow stated, "We are still treading water".

Mr. Rawls gave the High School Principal's report: He elaborated on the report sent in the packet. March 2018 Board Report. A successful wrestling season has concluded and Kendell Johnson came home with a state championship!

JH/HS. Students of the Month: Junior High: Aubrey Lawson, Adrian Pekar Senior High: Gillian Gerard, Gabe Keiner;. Upward Bound representatives from Redlands met with our 8<sup>th</sup> & 9<sup>th</sup> graders about their summer program. Students from Ag. along with Mr. Flanders, were in Enid last week at the livestock show and sale. The Senior class has met several times during the last month to finalize preparations for graduation. Caps and gowns have arrived. Test Dates: April 3—ACT Test April 10-13----Grades 6,7,8 will test in English and Math April 18----Grades 8 & 11 will test in Science April 24----ACT make-up.

Mr. Buchanan gave the Elementary Principal's report. He elaborated on the report sent in the packet. He is proud of the students in remediation. He is seeing their numbers go up. The numbers are 60% for the 5<sup>th</sup> grade remediation students to 100% for the 4<sup>th</sup> grade remediation students. He is very proud of them. Congratulations to Barbara Maib, Geary Elementary Teacher of The Year! Andy Smith Thanked Mr. Buchanan on how he recognized and honored Mrs. Maib and really liked how he presented the award to her. Andy said the students really respond great to Mr. Buchanan. Reaping Rewards On Thursday, March 1, the Geary Elementary took over 100 students to Liberty Theatre in Carnegie, Oklahoma for the 3<sup>rd</sup> 9 weeks A.R. Reward trip. On Wednesday, March 7<sup>th</sup>, 27 qualifying students will receive a trip to an OKC Blue basketball game. OERB Grant- -The Elementary just received an \$1800+ OERB grant to aid in the purchase of stem materials. Teachers are gearing up for next week's parent teacher conferences. Oklahoma History Center Visit On Thursday, March 8<sup>th</sup>.The elementary will enjoy a revolutionary war presentation. This reenactment will bring to life some of the lessons we have recently had.

Mrs. Briscoe asked Mr. Glasgow "Why is our spring break set at the time it is"? It is not mandatory to have all spring breaks at the same time. Mr. Glasgow feels it will be more beneficial to our kids to have two weeks to be back in school and prepared for 1<sup>st</sup> week of April State testing.

Wrestling Coaches Report-Season Recap; Mr. Kennedy was not able to be at the meeting, he was driving the bus taking the students to BETA state. Mr. Glasgow will have him at the next meeting.

Consent Agenda: Randall Base made the motion, seconded by Andy Smith to **approve** under separate vote on Item (M). Travel/Expense reimbursement form with rate for 2018 at (.55). Jason mentioned we should use the state mileage reimbursement rate and not be rounding it up. Those voting were: Scott Hicks, yes; Crystal Briscoe, yes; Andy Smith, yes; Jason Bernhardt, no; and Randall Base, yes. Motion carried 4-1.

Randall Base made the motion, seconded by Andy Smith to **approve** the Consent Agenda Items A thru L and N thru R. A. Minutes of February 6th, 2018 regular scheduled board meeting. B. Treasurer's Report. C. Activity Fund Report. D. General Fund encumbrances-FY18 249 thru 272. E. Building Fund encumbrances-FY18 50 thru 52. F. Child Nutrition Fund encumbrances FY18- None. G. Sinking Fund- FY 18- None. H. All Change Orders as listed. I. Acknowledge/Accept board election results. J. Software Service Agreement with MAS for FY18. K. Contract with Britton, Kuykendall & Miller Auditing firm for the Audit Year ending June 30, 2018 and preparing the 2018-19 Estimate of Needs. Jason Bernhardt wanted to look at using another auditing firm for a fresh set of eyes as per

OSSBA recommendations. OSSBA recommends changing auditors every couple of years. L. Heartland Testing Contract renewal for FY19. N. Use Walsworth Yearbook Publishing for 2018-19. O. Use Lifetouch School Photography Services for 2018-19. P. Geary Alumni Stegall-Long Facility Use-May 27th thru May 28th 2018. Q. School Calendar for 2018-19. R. Use Jostens for Class Rings and Senior supplies for graduation. Those voting were: Scott Hicks, yes; Crystal Briscoe, yes; Andy Smith, yes; Jason Bernhardt, no; and Randall Base, yes. Motion carried 4-1.

Jason Bernhardt made the motion, seconded by Andy Smith to move to Executive Session at 6:38 p.m. inviting Todd Glasgow to join them for the purpose of: A. Pursuant to Title 25 Oklahoma Statutes, Section 307 (B)(1) for the following items: 1. Resignations, employment and re-employment and or resignations, new employment received after posting of the Agenda. 2. Discuss Certified Personnel positions/staffing. Those voting were: Scott Hicks, yes; Crystal Briscoe, yes; Andy Smith, yes; Jason Bernhardt, yes and Randall Base, yes. Motion carried 5-0.

Crystal Briscoe read the executive session compliance announcement: The Board of Education went into executive session at 6:38 p.m. inviting Todd Glasgow, to join them for the purpose of A. Pursuant to Title 25 Oklahoma Statutes, Section 307 (B)(1) for the following items: 1. Resignations, employment and re-employment and or resignations, new employment received after posting of the Agenda. 2. Discuss Certified Personnel positions/staffing. The board returned to open session at 6:58 p.m. The Board discussed these items and no other items. This constitutes the minutes of the executive session. No action was taken at this time. All members were present during executive session.

No action was taken on Executive Session.

Superintendent's Report: A. School Bond Issue Ideas. Mr. Glasgow said our bond goes out in 2019. He would like to see what we need to do for our school and students. Our valuation is up, so now would be a good time. Mr. Glasgow would like to look at plans to build a comprehensive school for K-12. Our facilities are old and need significant plumbing and electrical issues addressed in the near future and we still have roofing leaks that need addressed. Mr. Glasgow ask the Board to e-mail or write down and let him know so they can get a group together and get the ball rolling. Mr. Glasgow sees this as a big positive for our community and would like to get the Board and Community together to see what we can do for our school, students and community. B. Spring Activities-Band, FFA, Sports. C. Teacher of the Year. Mrs. Maib for the Elementary and Mr. Evans for the High School. Their profiles are being evaluated for District Teacher of the year. D. All State/State Champions Wall in Gym. Mr. Glasgow discussed with the Board the pictures of the All State/Champions. We still have them and are going to get them back up on display at the fieldhouse. E. Replace sub-floor in wrestling room. We have had lots of leaking and now the floor has a big bubble in it and needs replaced. F. Painting on Ag doors at High School-similar to Agriplex. G. Painting Stegall-Long gym floor/wall pads and mural design.

New Business: (A) Consideration of any matter not known about or which could not have been reasonably foreseen prior to the posting of the agenda. None.

Board Member Comments and Questions: Jason said being mindful of what has taken place with the school shootings he would like school security addressed now and when we do the bond. All the Board agreed.

Jason gave the Board a copy of the letter from the ministerial alliance. Jason Bernhardt then read a letter he had prepared for the Board.

Jason's letter: I would like to follow up on Randal Base's question at our last School Board meeting regarding comments I made at a church meeting. I would like to start by correcting the record. The minutes of the last School Board meeting state that my comments generated a letter from the Ministerial Alliance. That is an inaccurate assumption. I was part of a discussion during a regular meeting held at my church, First United Methodist Church, not at a Ministerial Alliance meeting. The Pastor of the church, Rachel, was in attendance. Pastor Rachel has since told me the Ministerial Alliance discussed this topic at a regular meeting. The pastors in attendance shared the same concerns and decided to write a letter to the school. I have brought copies of the letter for everyone who cares to read it. In my opinion, the letter does not "chide" the School as stated in the December School Board meeting minutes. In my opinion, the Ministerial Alliance letter does not insinuate that Wednesday night low church attendance is a result of student participation in school activities scheduled on Wednesday nights, Now that you have had an opportunity to read the Ministerial Alliance letter, I hope you will agree with me that the letter was written in a spirit of cooperation. The Ministerial Alliance sought to bring scheduling concerns to the attention of the School, nothing more.

Now that the board has had an opportunity to read the letter, I would like to go back and address more specific examples of when school activities were scheduled on Wednesday evenings. This will help explain my comments made at the regular Church meeting. I mentioned School Board meetings as one example. I believe we as School Board members have an opportunity to set a cooperative example to the rest of the school staff by not scheduling School Board meetings on Wednesday nights.

Another example I gave last month was coaches having practice on Wednesday nights. I clarified the practices were not mandatory, however, everyone knows that when a coach schedules practice, he/she expects the athletes to be there, mandatory or not. Athletes are told "If you want to be the best, you will be here anytime the door is open".

I apologize for not having this list of examples prepared for our last meeting. Here are more examples of times that school activities were scheduled on Wednesday evenings.

1. The day after our last School Board meeting, STUCO students called my wife asking what time the Wednesday night Youth meeting would be over because they were required to be at the gym to decorate for a pep assembly.
2. Team dinners were held on several Wednesday evenings.
3. Class meetings and club meetings.
4. It appears we also schedule events on Sunday evenings. I recall a Sunday last December. The Methodist Church was having an evening church program the youth were participating in. Some of the athletes of the group had practice scheduled. We had to contact the coach that day about it and get permission for the kids to attend the Church program and make up the practice. A couple of kids did not come to the Church program because they didn't want to have to make up the practice because the "makeup practice would be harder."

Individually, none of these examples seem like causes for action. However, when these instances recur repeatedly, there is a negative cumulative effect.

Finally, my concern is that as a School Board, we have an obligation to our students to cooperate with other organizations in the Town of Geary. The School only plays a part in developing well rounded individuals. In my opinion, it is not necessary for the school to schedule events on Wednesday evenings after 5:00 p.m.

I hope this answers any questions or concerns you have over this topic.

Jason Bernhardt made the motion, seconded by Randall Base to adjourn at 7:39 p.m. Those voting were: Scott Hicks, yes; Crystal Briscoe, yes; Andy Smith, yes; Jason Bernhardt, yes and Randall Base, yes. Motion carried 5-0

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Board President

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Board Clerk