

## GEARY SCHOOL BOARD REGULAR MEETING

GEARY HIGH SCHOOL LIBRARY

300 S. BLAINE

MONDAY – FEBRUARY 3, 2020

The Board of Education, District I-080 met in regular session at the Geary High School Library, 300 S. Blaine, on February 3rd, 2020 at 6:00 p.m. There being a quorum present, the meeting was called to order by Board President, Andy Smith.

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

Notice of this meeting was posted on Friday, January 31st, 2020 at 2:30 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](http://gearyschools.org).

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

Visitors at the meeting were: Kurt Myers, High School Principal, Sean Buchanan, Elementary Principal, Kristi Sproul – PSO & Invenergy Renewable Resources, Devon Mitchell, Marla O’Nesky, Danella Buchanan, Ashlee Hicks, Kim Lewis, Cecil Harrall, Melanie Woods, Jaryn Myer, Kaimi Biscaino, Jeff Maib, Shana Glasgow, Steve Wilson, Chase Evans, Afton Jameson, Cody McPherson, Lesa Bradford, and Tiffany Owings.

Andy Smith led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Hearing from the public. Marla O’Nesky, Special Education Teacher/ Director. Mrs. O’Nesky is very grateful to be here and does not plan on going anywhere. She wanted to let the Board know some of the positive things going on at the High School and the Elementary. One of them being how the Administration not only knows the staff names but the student names as well and will address them by name in the halls. Principals do their jobs and support their teachers and jump in feet first to get things done. This is the best school she has ever taught at. The support she receives from the fellow teachers and the parents of the students and the community is amazing. She wanted to let the Board know she has not ever experienced this before and how grateful and appreciative she is to be a part of it. Being from Thomas they went through the same things with the Bond issues. She whole heartedly believes a new school is what’s best for the kids and community. Mrs. O’Nesky thanked the board for allowing her to be where she is here at Geary Schools.

Melanie Woods was there to speak on behalf of not only the community but also her child. Coming here was the biggest fear of her life. She came here from Broken Arrow, a much larger school that was completely adequate to give her special needs child everything she needed but, her child was not thriving there. She was told in the past her child would never succeed. Melanie and her family moved here in August she talked to the principals and teachers and everyone was amazing. Her child is now reading, dressing herself, cooking and doing things she was told her daughter would never do. Her opinion is if we can pass a bond with better equipment for these kids in our school, can you imagine how far not only her child but the other children could go?

Presentations: Baby Bison Ranch Board Report as presented in the Board Packet. December 2019. Children Enrolled, 6. Average daily attendance: 4-6. Gretchen Melvin is the Director of Baby Bison & master teacher. Alexis Sealy is a classroom helper.

Mr. Glasgow added that we are in the process of getting Head Start's three year old program back here.

Mr. Myers gave the February Board Report for the High School – February Board Report – High School

Mr. Petrone Computer Classes: 7th Graders are beginning web development using Javascript, 11th Graders are beginning network engineering configuring an advanced firewall.

Ashlee Hick's cheerleaders have worked really hard on new dances that they performed at the glow in the dark pep assembly. It Was organized by STUCO and was one of the best assemblies he has ever seen.

Mrs. O'Nesky has students that are reading in class for enjoyment with being prompted to.

Mrs. Terrell: We are working on finishing up completed works of art that will be displayed in our student art exhibit that is going to be this Wednesday. We are also working on studying self-portraits, leading up to sculpting self-portraits out of clay that we will paint when finished. Next week, we will be focusing on pattern and emphasis, and we will be using relief printmaking to decorate material that we will turn into pillows. (Ms. Wood has agreed to let us use one of her sewing machines in my classroom). The Art display was very good with TV Cameras and catered food. It was pretty awesome.

Mr. Biscaino: The band program is improving at a steady pace and by the looks of the students this year... we're going to need more instruments! All students are becoming more proficient in their playing abilities and some are learning songs outside of my class for fun, such as the Halo video game theme song (6th grade saxophones) and the

classic Careless Whisper on saxophone (Eduardo Sanchez). Mr. Biscaino is doing a great job.

Mrs. Glasgow: We have 4 seniors and 3 juniors taking a combined total of 16 courses (50 hours) of concurrent college courses this semester. Courses include College Algebra, Comp I, Comp II, US History, Psychology, and Calc I.

I am in the process of meeting with every senior to go over what their plans are as they prepare for graduation this spring.

We discuss what their path is going to be as well as what they have done and what they need to get done as they prepare for their next step. We are also setting up at least one job shadowing experience for every senior based on their current career interests.

Several speakers from various colleges and the career tech will be visiting with our sophomores, juniors and seniors over the next few weeks about the opportunities they have available to them.

And the 5 students who took a total of 10 college classes last semester (including Comp I, College Algebra, Psychology, Government and Business Calculus) all made straight A's!

Mrs. Monney: Students are working on writing skills by creating newspaper articles on various school related topics.

Mrs. Bradford: Freshmen are reading Romeo & Juliet. Sophomores are reading the Greek tragedy Antigone. Juniors are finishing up their poetry unit. Seniors are researching famous authors from different literary periods. Mrs. Bradford is starting the National Board Certified Teacher process.

Enrollment: 12th – 21; 11th – 20; 10th – 15; 9th – 21; 8th – 21; 7th – 27; 6th – 29;

The Board thanked Mr. Meyers for his report.

Mr. Buchanan gave the February Board Report for the Elementary – Testing: Our midyear testing window just concluded. Extremely excited to see the growth that we are noting. Differentiation is improving the quality of education offered. AR Reward Trip: We recently concluded our AR reward trip, over 113 students made their AR goal. T.O.Y. - We recently selected our Elementary Teacher of the Year! Training Pays Off: The first semester ended with an 86% reduction in office referrals compared to the same time frame last year. Community Outreach: Attendance records show that we are making progress through our community outreach at the elementary. We love what we are seeing from the parents and students of our school. Elementary Athletics: Elementary basketball has concluded, we are very proud of those students who participated. The Board thanked Mr. Buchanan for his report.

National Board Certified Teacher Recognition – Mr. Glasgow gave a Certificate of recognition to Mrs. Glasgow. She has been Nationally board Certified for 14 to 15 years. Mrs. Glasgow renewed it at the 10 year mark. Mr. Glasgow said it is a huge self-evaluation tool. The State rewards the Teacher \$5000.00 every year for this National Board Certification. It takes a full year to achieve the Certification. It is very worth it and we are very lucky to have National Board Certified staff here. Mrs. Glasgow is also working on her Masters Counselor Degree. Mrs. Marianne Price was also National Board Certified and Mrs. Bradford is now pursuing her National Board Certification.

Mr. Myers also presented Mrs. Glasgow with a Certificate for National School Counselors week. Mr. Myers said we are very lucky to have her on staff.

PSO & Invenergy Renewable Resources Presentation-Kristi Sproul. Ms. Sproul spoke to the board regarding the proposed North Central energy facilities and the impact it will have on Geary. The Public Service Company of Oklahoma Public Utilities company has been in business since 1913. They have more than half a million customers across the state of Oklahoma. They have identified the need for a more renewable wind energy.

Invenergy project developer is a Chicago based company. They have offices at Weatherford, Alva and Enid. They were awarded the bid to construct the wind farms and PSO upon approval will purchase the facilities. Invenergy will operate the facilities for the next 10 years.

The three North Centers energy facilities are: Sundance wind project, Woods county; Maverick wind project, Major, Kingfisher and Garfield counties. Traverse wind project the largest of the three, Blaine and Custer Counties. The Sundance Project will be completed by December 2020. The Maverick and Traverse project will be completed by December 2021.

The three energy facilities will open up 50 full time operation jobs @ \$55,000.00 per year with travel and overtime could be \$85,000.00 per year salary. Plus, there will be 600-650 Construction jobs. This will have a positive impact on those areas. We will see an increase in out AD Valorem taxes. For more information [psoklahoma.com/cleanenergy](http://psoklahoma.com/cleanenergy)

Consent Agenda. Randall Base made the motion, seconded by Crystal Briscoe to **approve** the Consent Agenda Items **B.** thru **M.** pulling out for a separate vote line item (A. Minutes of January 8th, 2020 regular scheduled board meeting to be amended.) B. Minutes of December 5th, 2018 special school board meeting. C. Treasurer's Report. D. Per Board request January 8, 2020 Board Meeting, transfer funds from project 811 to project 822 \$53.58 this corrects deposit made to wrong account. E. Activity Fund Report. F. General Fund encumbrances-FY20 280 thru 299 the board voted to approve (PO # 290 and PO # 295) separately. G. Building Fund encumbrances-FY20 49 thru 55.

H. Child Nutrition Fund encumbrances FY20 – None. I. Sinking Fund- FY 20- None. J. All Change Orders as listed. K. Overnight trip request for State Tournament for wrestling team. L. Geary Alumni Banquet use of Stegall-Long fieldhouse on May 24 & 25, 2020. M. Procurement Policy for Child Nutrition Program. Those voting were: Crystal Briscoe, yes; Randall Base, yes; Andy Smith, yes; Scott Hicks, yes and Jason Bernhardt, yes. Motion carried 5-0.

Randall Base made a motion seconded by Jason Bernhardt to **approve** line item A. Minutes of January 8th, 2020 regular scheduled board meeting as amended to read Superintendent Glasgow to stay at current rate with zero % pay raise. Those voting were: Crystal Briscoe, yes; Scott Hicks, yes; Andy Smith, yes; Randall Base, yes and Jason Bernhardt, yes. Motion carried 5-0.

The Board voted to approve PO #290 from the General Fund. Those voting were: Crystal Briscoe, yes; Randall Base, yes; Andy Smith, yes; Scott Hicks, yes and Jason Bernhardt, no. Motion carried 4-1.

The Board voted to approve PO #295 from the General Fund. Those voting were: Crystal Briscoe, yes; Randall Base, yes; Andy Smith, yes; Scott Hicks, yes and Jason Bernhardt, yes. Motion carried 5-0.

Randall Base made the motion, seconded by Crystal Briscoe to move to Executive Session at 6:41 p.m. inviting Todd Glasgow to join them for the purpose of: A. Vote to enter into executive session pursuant to Title 25, Section 307 (B) (1) of the Oklahoma Statutes for the purpose of discussing the following items: A. Resignations, employment and reemployment received after posting of the Agenda. B. Discuss Certified Personnel positions/staffing. Those voting were: Crystal Briscoe, yes; Andy Smith, yes; Scott Hicks, yes; Randall Base, yes and Jason Bernhardt, yes. Motion carried 5-0.

Andy Smith read the executive session compliance announcement: The Board of Education went into executive session at 6:41 p.m. inviting Todd Glasgow to join them for the purpose of: A. Vote to enter into executive session pursuant to Title 25, Section 307 (B) (1) of the Oklahoma Statutes for the purpose of discussing the following items: A. Resignations, employment and reemployment received after posting of the Agenda. B. Discuss Certified Personnel positions/staffing. The board returned to open session at 6:50 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 in attendance were present during executive session.

No action taken on executive session items.

Superintendent's Report:

A. OASA Legislative Meeting. B. Basketball Conference Shoot Out February 7-8, 2020. C. Hosting Class 3A Western Wrestling Regionals February 21-22. There will be no school on February 21<sup>st</sup>, 2020. There will also be no school on February 28<sup>th</sup>, 2020, It is a trade day for the professional development day January 20<sup>th</sup>, 2020. D. Bond Issue – Mr. Glasgow stated some things brought up at the Bond meeting were not correct and needed more facts on. His office is open for any questions. Mr. Glasgow also said the utilities are also set to go out to the corner to help the City. That way the citizens of Geary will not incur additional cost. We feel like this is a positive step with the City. Mr. Glasgow also wanted to let all know the land purchase for the purposed bond started back in 2018, it was a long process to purchase the land. E. Working on Head Start Program to get it restarted at BBR. The Baseball and Softball fields needs work, the pitcher’s mound and home plate need to be redone. We also need to keep the water from running across the softball field. We are going to have United Turf & Track come check this out. They are highly recommended. We also have two teachers up for Teacher of the year. High School Teacher Mr. Bench and Elementary Teacher Ms. Buchanan.

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. Jason Bernhardt said he would help with the Regional tournament. Jason also wanted to know if we were working with the City of Geary on the Baseball and Softball field improvements. Mr. Glasgow will be getting with the City of Geary. Jason stated it said on the land purchase that we would fence it in. Mr. Glasgow said we did not need to do that. Mr. Maib will continue to farm it until we need it. Jason asked if the land was in a flood zone. Mr. Glasgow said it was not.

Andy Smith wants a breakdown of the Bond posted so anyone that wanted to see it could.

Crystal Briscoe wanted to let the teachers who were at the community bond meeting know there was a lot of emotion at the bond meeting, she knows they all care very much for this school and the students here and there are a lot of teachers who do not live here. Crystal said she was a former teacher and drove from Weatherford to Putnam City for a year and a half because she cared so much about the kids. She appreciates the ones who drive in and she is sorry for all the rude comments on social media from our community, it really upset her. It is ok that we do not agree on different things. We all want what is best for our kids and community, we have all done a lot and some of us do not have to. Crystal said she is very sorry for that. She is proud to be from Geary, she was born and raised here, as was her family. She hates the negative comments about our staff and administration. It is uncalled-for. The fact is really about the school not about anybody personally. Crystal ask the staff and teachers that were at the board

meeting “please take this message back to the staff and teachers.” She is very proud of the staff and teachers and the Board appreciates everything they do and for supporting the kids. She also thanked Mr. Glasgow, Mr. Buchanan and Mr. Myers.

Mr. Glasgow said we have definitely been “unfairly” under attack.

Jason Bernhardt made the motion, seconded by Crystal Briscoe to adjourn at 7:07 p.m. Those voting were: Crystal Briscoe, yes; Randall Base, yes; Andy Smith, yes; Scott Hicks, yes; and Jason Bernhardt, yes. Motion carried 5-0.

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Board President

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Board Clerk