

The Welch Board of Education of Independent School District I017 of Craig County, State of Oklahoma, met in regular session on Monday, December 12, 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

The meeting was called to order by President Shane Burgess at 5:30 PM. Members present were President Shane Burgess, Vice President Jesse Highsmith, Clerk Rowdy Layton, and Member Shannon Walker. Deputy Clerk Brian Mooney was absent. Superintendent of Schools Jeremy Ramsey was present.

A quorum was established.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by President Burgess.

There were no visitors present to request Public Participation.

Superintendent Ramsey referred the Board members to the Principals' reports.

Superintendent Ramsey reported that Promethean boards have been received and installation will be worked into the Maintenance Department's schedule, installation of the security cameras has been delayed until January/February due to equipment backorders and labor issues, cafeteria tables are to be delivered in January, and preliminary work is being done on the FY2023-2024 calendar. Rowdy Layton had no opposition for Seat #3 on the school board, basketball is in full swing with the Sooter tournament starting tonight, the second phase of the Library project has been funded by the Enrichment Foundation, and the OSDE District Report Card will not be published December 15 as there are problems with the State reporting system. He met with the principals this week and due to high numbers of flu and COVID absences in students and staff (32-33 students out daily and two staff members). As a result of that meeting, the Christmas program will be recorded and presented to the community on FaceBook, and if necessary, school will be closed on Friday. Should this happen, he will bring a revised school calendar to the next meeting. He discussed the monthly budget report with November revenue and expenditures.

Motion to approve Consent Agenda Item 6A, minutes of the November 14, 2022, Regular Board meeting; Item 6B, Treasurer's Report, Activity Fund Report, and status of all funds and investments; Item 6C FY23 General Fund purchase orders #258-274 and Building Fund purchase orders #42-45; Item 6D, FY23 Purchase Order Change Order PO #2023-11-268 - Walmart.com From \$42.54 to \$57.85 for additional cost for OTC medications; Item 6E, FY23 General Fund warrants #355-505 and Building Fund warrants #36-45; Item 6F, no school rental requests

were presented; and Item 6G Fundraising activities as requested by the Welch Junior Class for valentine, bowling competition, Crush pop sales, and candy grams (removing skeet competition from the request per the recommendation of Superintendent Ramsey) and Welch Cheer for an Elementary minicamp to perform during a January basketball game. This motion, made by Jesse Highsmith and seconded by Shannon Walker, passed. Shane Burgess: Yea, Jesse Highsmith: Yea, Rowdy Layton: Yea, Brian Mooney: Absent, Shannon Walker: Yea
Yea: 4, Nay: 0, Absent: 1

Motion to adopt the Estimate of Needs as approved by the County Excise Board as the final budget for FY23. 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: Yea
Yea: 4, Nay: 0, Absent: 1

Motion to adopt the Welch Public School District's Section 125 Flexible Benefit Plan for Calendar Year 2023. This motion, made by Jesse Highsmith and seconded by Shannon Walker, passed.
Shane Burgess: Yea, Jesse Highsmith: Yea, Rowdy Layton: Yea, Brian Mooney: Absent, Shannon Walker: Yea
Yea: 4, Nay: 0, Absent: 1

Motion to adopt a Resolution for Craig County Oklahoma Hazard Mitigation Plant for 2022. 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: Yea
Yea: 4, Nay: 0, Absent: 1

Motion to approve a Senior Class out-of-state trip to Branson MO on May 9, 2023. 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: Yea
Yea: 4, Nay: 0, Absent: 1

Motion to approve fifteen (15) Welch Skills Center students that have met High School Graduation requirements early in their fourth year to receive their High School Diploma. 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: Yea
Yea: 4, Nay: 0, Absent: 1

Motion to convene in Executive Session pursuant to OKLA. STAT. Title 25 § 307 (B)(1), Supp.2002), to discuss the evaluation of the Superintendent so that the board can return to Open Session for possible board action. This motion, made by Jesse Highsmith and seconded by Shannon Walker, passed.
Shane Burgess: Yea, Jesse Highsmith: Yea, Rowdy Layton: Yea, Brian Mooney: Absent, Shannon Walker: Yea
Yea: 4, Nay: 0, Absent: 1

The Board convened in Executive Session at 5:48 PM.

The Board returned to Open Session at 6:17 PM.

President Burgess stated that he, Vice President Highsmith, Clerk Layton, and Member Walker, along with Superintendent Ramsey, convened in Executive Session at 5:48 PM to discuss the Superintendent's evaluation. No other items were discussed and no vote was taken while in Executive session.

There was no New Business presented for Board consideration.

Motion to adjourn. This motion, made by Jesse Highsmith and seconded by Shannon Walker, passed.
Shane Burgess: Yea, Jesse Highsmith: Yea, Rowdy Layton: Yea, Brian Mooney: Absent, Shannon Walker: Yea
Yea: 4, Nay: 0, Absent: 1

The meeting was adjourned at 6:18 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