

Title VI Meeting Minutes

August 21st 2024, 6:00 pm

Lucy Smith Cener

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1. Call to Order

Nellie Meashintubby called the meeting to order at 6:01 pm on August 21st 2024, at McAlester High School Lucy Smith Center

2. Roll Call

Kimberly Alexander conducted roll call. The following person were present: Kimberly Alexander, Nellie Meashintubby, Rachel Harrison, Jennifer Watkins and Samantha Weiher.

3. Approval of Agenda

Kimberly Alexander makes a motion to approve the agenda, second by Rachel Harrison. All vote in favor, motion passes.

4. Land Acknowledgement

a) **The Choctaw Nation Reservation is part of the Caddo, Wichita, Pawnee and Arikara homeland. The Shawnee and Quapaw had settlements here in the 1700s and early 1800s. The Osage and Kiowa visited the area. The Quapaw ceded the land that is now the Choctaw Reservation through treaty to the United States before the US ceded it to the Choctaw Nation. Shortly after the Trail of Tears, the Chickasaw lived here among the Choctaw. Through this land acknowledgement, we would like to remember those who came before us and whose land we inhabit.**

5. Approval of minutes from May 15th, 2024

Samantha Weiher made a motion to approve the minutes from May 15^h 2024. Rachel Harrison seconds. All vote in favor, motion passes.

6. Recognition of Guest

Welcome to our guest and thank you for attending tonight.

7. Approval of Expenditures

See attachment; \$1035.00 paid and \$12,412.00 encumbered to date including salaries. A motion to accept the expenditures was made by Jennifer Watkins and second by Rachel Harrison. All vote in favor, motion passes.

8. **Director's Report**

- 1) We have elections for the Parent Committee board for the 2024 -2025 school year. We have one position open. Kimberly Alexander's term has expired. She currently holds the secretary position.
- 2) Mrs. Ashley Gragg read aloud the roles and responsibilities of the Parent Committee Board positions.
- 3) Our child count for 2024 – 2025 school year is out 1111as of today. We have been allocated \$253,035 for this year.
- 4) 24 – 25 year long plan. See Attachment. Mrs. Ashley Gragg has laid out what we currently have planned for this year.

9. **New Business**

- 1) We need to vote on our new Teacher Representative. Jennifer Watkins made a motion to accept Jax Franklin as our Teacher Representative for 24-25 school year. Rachel Harrison seconded. All vote, motion passes.
- 2) We need to vote on our new Student Representative. Jennifer Watkins made a motion to accept Stephen Gragg as our Student Representative. Rachel Harrison seconded. All vote, motion passes.
- 3) We need to vote on the dates for our meetings for 24-25 school year. Jennifer Watkins makes a motion to approve the dates for the Parent Committee meetings for the 24-25 school year. Samantha Weiher seconded. All vote, motion passes.
 - August 21, 2024
 - September 18, 2024
 - November 13, 2024
 - January 22, 2025
 - March 12, 2025
 - May 14, 2025
- 4) Discussion of IPP for the 24-25 school year and any recommended changes. Due to a new law in Oklahoma that states text message communication must include a parent, we need to update our policy.
- 5) Jennifer Watkins made a motion to accept the change to our policy with the wording of "2.2 The parents of Indian children will be notified of any and all meetings at which they can provide input on the content of the educational program and activities. Notification of meeting will be posted on website, social media posts, by text message and by **digital communication applications provided by the LEA.**" Rahel Harrison seconded. All vote, motion passes.

10. **Next Meeting**

September 18, 2024 at 6:00 pm is our next meeting. We will be having elections.

11. **Adjournment**

A motion to adjourn was made by Jennifer Watkins and second by Jax Franklin. All in favor, motion passes. Adjournment was at 6:20pm.