

**MINUTES**  
**Board of Education**  
**Special Meeting**  
**Broken Arrow Public Schools ISD No. 3**  
**Central on Main**  
**210 North Main Street**  
**Broken Arrow, OK 74012**  
**October 23, 2008**  
**6:30 p.m.**



Except for item #I, any agenda item may be considered and acted on in any order]

- 1 Call meeting to order and determine that a quorum exists. Meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by Mr. Terry Stover, president. Board members present: Mrs. Shari Wilkins, Mrs. Maryanne Flippo, Mrs. Stephanie Updike, Mrs. Sharon Whelpley.  
Staff present: Gary Gerber, Brian Beagles, Keith Isbell, Curtis Green, Ann Wade, Gary Chronister, Steve Nida, Rob Armstrong, Tom Sorrels, Philip Tucker, Rick Dale, Cathey Metevelis and Carol Vandiver.  
Others present: Harold, Matthew and Martha Vermillion, Valerie Chenoweth, Jenny Crum, Tina Webster, Trish Henley, Beth Snellgrove, Noreen Ruede, Julie Land, Keith Chenoweth, Kay Day, John Wilkins, Brian Davis, Cassandra Clark, Wendy Hardwick, Andy Clark and John Gardner. Press present: Bob Lewis, Broken Arrow Ledger; Sara Plummer, Tulsa World; Channel 2 News, Channel 6 News, Channel 8 News and Fox 23 News.
- 2 Motion, discussion and vote to appoint a Deputy Minutes Clerk for this meeting. Motion was made by Mrs. Whelpley with a second by Mrs. Flippo to approve Carol Vandiver as Deputy Minutes Clerk. Motion passed by unanimous vote.
- 3 Motion, discussion and vote to receive or not receive any comments from the public as to individual agenda items on this agenda. Motion was made by Mrs. Flippo with a second by Mrs. Wilkins to not receive any comments from the public as to individual agenda items on this agenda. Mr. Stover and Mrs. Updike made a statement to accept outside comments. Motion carried by the following vote: YES: Mrs. Wilkins, Mrs. Flippo, Mrs. Whelpley NO: Mrs. Updike, Mr. Stover
- 4 Motion, discussion and vote to go into executive session, pursuant to OKLA.STAT. tit. 25 § 307(B)(1) & (7), to receive information and discuss whether to dismiss or not dismiss Dr. Jim Sisney from his employment with the Broken Arrow School District. [Dr. Sisney has waived his right to a hearing on his possible dismissal]. Motion was made by Mrs. Whelpley with a second by Mrs. Flippo to enter executive session at 6:34 p.m. pursuant to OKLA. STAT. tit. 25 § 307(B)(1) & (7), to receive information and discuss whether to dismiss or not dismiss Dr. Jim Sisney from his employment with the Broken Arrow School District. Motion carried by unanimous vote.
- 5 Vote to acknowledge return to open session. Motion was made by Mrs. Whelpley with a second by Mrs. Wilkins to return to open session at 8:07 p.m. Motion carried by unanimous vote.
6. Board Clerk's statement of executive session minutes.  
  
The Board of Education, Doug Mann and John Priddy entered executive session at 6:34 p.m. pursuant to OKLA.STAT. tit. 25 § 307(B)(1) & (7), to receive information and discuss whether to dismiss or not dismiss Dr. Jim Sisney from his employment with the Broken Arrow School District. The Board of Education returned to Open Session at 8:07 p.m. This constitutes the minutes of the Executive Session.
7. Motion, discussion and vote to dismiss or not dismiss Dr. Jim Sisney from his employment with the Broken Arrow School District. Mrs. Flippo made the following motion: "I move, based on the reasons and information received by the board and discussed in executive session, that the employment of Dr. Jim Sisney with the Broken Arrow School District be terminated effective immediately with such termination being subject only to the District's obligations to Dr. Sisney under paragraph 20 of his employment contract." Mrs. Whelpley seconded the motion. Motion carried by the following vote: YES: Mrs.

Wilkins, Mrs. Flippo, Mrs. Whelpley NO: Mrs. Updike, Mr. Stover

8. If the Board of Education has voted to dismiss Dr. Jim Sisney from his employment with the Broken Arrow School District, then motion, discussion and vote to direct the interim superintendent of schools

(a) to notify Dr. Sisney, in writing, of the board's acknowledgement of Dr. Sisney's waiver of a right to a hearing on his possible dismissal, (b) that the board has taken action to dismiss Dr. Sisney, (c) that the Board acknowledges certain post-termination payments due to Dr. Sisney under paragraph 20 of his written employment contract and (d) of the lifting of restrictions on Dr. Sisney as to his being on District

property. Motion was made by Mrs. Flippo with a second by Mrs. Wilkins to direct the interim superintendent of schools (a) to notify Dr. Sisney, in writing, of the board's acknowledgement of Dr. Sisney's waiver of a right to a hearing on his possible dismissal, (b) that the board has taken action to dismiss Dr. Sisney, (c) that the Board acknowledges certain post-termination payments due to Dr. Sisney under paragraph 20 of his written employment contract and (d) of the lifting of restrictions on Dr. Sisney as to his being on District property. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

9. If the Board of Education has voted to not dismiss Dr. Jim Sisney from his employment with the District, then motion, discussion and vote to rescind the suspension of Dr. Sisney and reinstate him to the position of superintendent of schools.

10. Motion, discussion and vote to adjourn. Motion was made by Mrs. Updike with a second by Mrs. Whelpley to adjourn the meeting at 8: 12 p.m. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

I, the undersigned deputy minute clerk of the Board of Education of Broken Arrow Independent School District No. I-3 of Tulsa County, Oklahoma, do hereby certify that the notice of the date, time, place and agenda of the October 23, 2008, special meeting of the Board of Education was posted in prominent view in the front entrance of the Education Service Center, 601 South Main Street, Broken Arrow, Oklahoma, the principal office of the public body and at Central on Main, 210 North Main, at 4:00 p.m. on October 22, 2008.

(School Seal)

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Carol Vandiver, Deputy Minute Clerk

Minutes of October 23, 2008 Special Board Meeting

Maryanne Flippo  
Maryanne Flippo

Terry Stover  
Terry Stover

Stephanie Updike  
Stephanie Updike

Sharon Whelpley  
Sharon Whelpley

Shari Wilkins  
Shari Wilkins

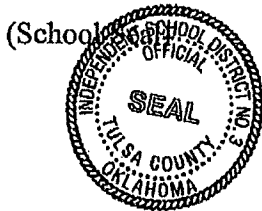
Gary W. Gerber  
Gary Gerber, Superintendent

STATE OF OKLAHOMA    )  
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COUNTY OF TULSA     )

I, the undersigned Clerk of the Board of Education of Broken Arrow Independent School District No. I-3, of Tulsa County, Oklahoma, do hereby certify that the date, time and place of this special meeting was filed in the office of the County Clerk of Tulsa and Wagoner Counties in Oklahoma.

I also certify that at least 24 hours prior to the meeting, excluding Saturdays, Sundays and Holidays, notice of the date, time, place and agenda of this meeting was posted in prominent view at the location of the meeting.

Witness my hand and seal of this School District this 8<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2008.



Stephanie Updike  
Clerk, Board of Education