

SOPER BOARD OF EDUCATION
SPECIAL BOARD MEETING
Thursday, May 11, 2023
7:00 P.M.

The meeting was called to order by Angella Dancer at 7:00 p.m. Robert Spalding offered opening prayer.

Members present: Gaylon Branton, Angella Dancer, Bruce Roebuck, Robert Spalding, Arlis Young. It was determined there were enough members present for a quorum.

Administration present: Scotty Van Worth, Parker Harless

It was determined that the agenda for this meeting was posted in due time, and Robert Spalding moved to approve the minutes from the April 2023 Soper School Board meeting. Gaylon Branton seconded the motion. Gaylon Branton-Aye, Angella Dancer-Aye, Bruce Roebuck-Aye, Robert Spalding-Aye, Arlis Young-Aye

There were no visitors present.

The superintendent's report was given by Dr. Scotty Van Worth. He reported that they had finished the school year strong. Three retirees were honored at the staff lunch earlier that day. The state wide school report cards had recently been released and Soper was graded as one of the top schools for Choctaw County. Dr. Van Worth said that the end of year cook out was a big hit for all. They used the ground beef that we were able to acquire with the USDA grant for the hamburger patties. He went over the bills and financial reports and stated that the General Fund was looking outstanding, especially considering May's large payroll. He wrapped up his reports by going over some of the summer plans like having floors refinished, baseball/basketball camps happening and the summer school schedule.

Bruce Roebuck moved to approve the General Fund encumbrances 382-408 and payroll encumbrance 70135-70137 as well as checks. Robert Spalding seconded the motion. Gaylon Branton-Aye, Angella Dancer-Aye, Bruce Roebuck-Aye, Robert Spalding-Aye, Arlis Young-Aye

Parker Harless reported that Senior graduation will be held on May 13 and 10 a.m. He said the senior class had been a very pleasant group of kids and that there would be lots of scholarships announced at graduation.

Angella Dancer made a motion to approve using hours in place of days to calculate the 2023-2024 school year. Arlis Young made the second motion. Gaylon Branton-Aye, Angella Dancer-Aye, Bruce Roebuck-Aye, Robert Spalding-Aye, Arlis Young-Aye

The board then discussed the possible baseball coaching position for the 2023-2024 school year. It was announced that the current assistant baseball coach would be moving over to coach softball for next year. The board reviewed resumes that had already been submitted. They then discussed interviewing candidates at the next board meeting. No action was taken.

The board discussed two aide positions for the 2023-2024 school year. Dr. Van Worth recommended hiring Chelbi Snow for the elementary aide position and Alyssa Wisener for the PE aide position. Gaylon Branton motioned to approve hiring them both. Robert Spalding seconded the motion. Gaylon Branton-Aye, Angella Dancer-Aye, Bruce Roebuck-Aye, Robert Spalding-Aye, Arlis Young-Aye

Angella Dancer motioned to approve the contract services with OSSBA and LIFT. Bruce Roebuck seconded the motion. Gaylon Branton-Aye, Angella Dancer-Aye, Bruce Roebuck-Aye, Robert Spalding-Aye, Arlis Young-Aye

Gaylon Branton made a motion to approve the purchase request regarding two new copy machines from Miller Office Equipment. Bruce Roebuck seconded the motion. Gaylon Branton-Aye, Angella Dancer-Aye, Bruce Roebuck-Aye, Robert Spalding-Aye, Arlis Young-Aye

There was no new business to discuss.

A motion to adjourn was made by Gaylon Branton and was seconded by Arlis Young. Gaylon Branton-Aye, Angella Dancer-Aye, Bruce Roebuck-Aye, Robert Spalding-Aye, Arlis Young-Aye

Adjourned 8:18 p.m.

Bruce Redbeck

Guylen Branton

Lynda Carson

Julia Young

Robert Spalding

