

## **Minutes of Regular Meeting of the Authority**

1:00 p.m., Tuesday, August 27, 2019  
OETA Media Center Conference Room  
7403 N. Kelley Ave.  
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma

### **DIRECTORS PRESENT:**

Joy Hofmeister, Chair  
Terri Cornett, Vice Chair  
Cheryl Evans  
Lisa Greenlee  
Suzanne Lair  
Larry Rice  
Mike Martin  
Burns Hargis  
Joseph Harroz, Jr.

### **DIRECTORS ABSENT:**

Richard Beck  
Glen Johnson

**VISITORS PRESENT:** Chairman Robert Spinks of the Friends of OETA, Inc.; Reporter Tyler Talley of eCapitol; and, Attorney Patricia Sawyer of Whitten Burrage Law.

**STAFF PRESENT:** Executive Director Polly Anderson; Vice President of Content Production Bill Perry; Vice President of Finance Shawn Black; and, Vice President of Operations Janette Thornbrue.

The Oklahoma Educational Television Authority Board of Directors met in regular session at 1:00 p.m. on August 27, 2019 at OETA Network Headquarters in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma. A Notice of Meeting had been filed with the Secretary of State and copies of the Agenda were posted in accordance with provisions of the Open Meeting Act.

The Chairwoman called the meeting to order and Executive Director Polly Anderson called the roll. It was determined that a quorum was present and the meeting was called to order at 1:00 p.m. Chairwoman Hofmeister introduced herself and welcomed all guests. The board members also gave brief introductions as new members were in attendance.

### **Item #4**

The Chairwoman introduced Bill Perry and mentioned Roger Newton, two OETA employees who were retiring. It was noted that their combined service with OETA is 63 years. Mr. Perry was recently inducted in the National Academy of Television Arts & Sciences Gold Circle; only 3 Oklahomans have ever received this honor. Mr. Newton served day and night as a field engineer making sure the Tulsa and Cheyanne transmitters were always on. The Board congratulated them on their outstanding service with OETA and on their retirement. A retirement video from Governor Stitt for the two retirees was also viewed.

**Item #5**

Anderson indicated the first Friends of OETA, Inc. pledge drive for August was completed and highly successful and pledge numbers were provided. Additional staff and visitors present were also introduced.

**Action Item #6**

The Board reviewed the minutes for the regular meeting of June 25, 2019. Cornett made a motion to correct the misspelling of a name under action item 7, page 2. Hargis seconded the motion; the motion was adopted without objection. Anderson conducted roll call to adopt the minutes with the change. All were in favor and the motion passed.

**Action Item #7**

Financial and personnel reports were reviewed and the Board discussed. Seeing there were no questions, the Chairwoman entertained a motion to approve by Hargis. Martin seconded the motion. Roll was called; the vote was unanimous and the motion carried.

**Action Item #8**


The Chairwoman entertained a motion by Evans to move into executive session and it was seconded by Lair. The Executive Director called the roll. The vote was unanimous and the motion carried.

Chairwoman Hofmeister entertained a motion to come out of executive session. Cornett moved to come out of executive session and Harroz seconded. All were in favor and the motion passed; the Board came out of executive session. The Chairwoman noted no decisions were made or votes cast during executive session.

**Adjournment**

Chairwoman Hofmeister announced the time and date of the next Regular Authority Board Meeting set for October 22, 2019 at 1:00 p.m. There being no further business to come before the Authority, Chairwoman Hofmeister called for a motion to adjourn the meeting. Hargis moved to adjourn the meeting and Rice seconded the motion. All were in favor and the motion passed. The meeting was adjourned at 1:37 p.m.

Adopted this day of January 7, 2020.

  
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Joy Hofmeister, Chair

  
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Terri Cornett, Vice Chair