Seminole Public Schools

Resolution to Change School Calendar and Ensure Employee Pay

Whereas, Wednesday, March 11, 2020, the World Health Organization declared the Coronavirus a pandemic after the virus spread to more than 100 countries worldwide: and,

Whereas, Friday, March 13, 2020, the President of the United States declared a national emergency due to the Coronavirus/ COVID-19 global pandemic; and,

Whereas, Friday, March 13, 2020 the Governor of the State of Oklahoma declared an emergency for all 77 counties in Oklahoma over COVID-19 concerns: and,

Whereas, Wednesday, March 25, 2020, the Oklahoma State Board of Education voted to keep Oklahoma's school buildings closed and implement distance learning plans for the remainder of the school year due to COVID-19; and

Whereas, due to the above, Seminole Public Schools is moving the last day of school from May 20, 2020 to May 15, 2020; and

Whereas the Seminole Public Schools Board of Education and Administration are committed to ensuring that closing schools early will not result in a financial burden to any District employees.

Therefore, be it resolved, that despite the change to the last day of classes for students, the Seminole Public Schools Board of Education directs the Superintendent of Seminole Public Schools to grant any support staff, teachers, administrators and professional technical employees paid Emergency Administrative Leave necessary to allow such employees to be paid throughout the duration of their original 2019-2020 employment contracts. (Per the Executive Rule as designated by the Superintendent of Seminole Schools 03/18/2020)

Adopted and approved this <u>13th</u> day of <u>April</u> , 2020.
Marci Donaho
President, on behalf of the Seminole Public Schools Board of Education