OKLAHOMA LANDMARKS INVENTORY NOMINATION

Oklahoma Historic Preservation Survey, Oklahoma State University, 502 Math-Science Bldg., Stillwater, OK 74078

SOURCE OF NOMINATION: Contract Survey

KENWOOD SCHOOL

LOCATION: Unmarked Streets, Kenwood, Oklahoma 040, Delaware County 041; SW 1/4, Sec. 8, T 21 N, R 22 E

CLASSIFICATION: building; public; public acquisition--N/A; occupied; unrestricted; present use--educational

OWNER: Salina Board of Education, Rt. 1, Box 154, Salina, OK 74365

LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION: Delaware County Courthouse, Jay, OK 74346

DESCRIPTION: good condition; altered; original site

The Kenwood school is a rectangular shaped $(60' \times 46')$ structure constructed of rusticated and coursed native stone now is painted white. The roof is gabled with an asymetrical center gable that contains the front entryway which is slightly recessed and arched with cut stone keystone. The metal sash windows have continous concrete sills. Wood insets cover the upper portions of some of the windows. A semi-circular ventilator with louver board rests in the center gable. Unfortunately additions to the sides of this structure destroy its integrity and prevent its inclusion to the National Register.

SIGNIFICANCE: 1936; builder/architect: unknown

This school is significant because it constituted an economically important community resource. Its construction provided wages from some 21,000 man-hours of labor for local families which were infused back into the depressed local economy. Jobs generated by the construction of the school restored a sense of pride to many men who might otherwise have been unable to provide for their families. The school has served for many years as an educational facility for children of the community which is predominately now Cherokee Indian. Architecturally the building is notable for vernacular characteristics.

GEOGRAPHICAL DATA:

Acreage: less than two acres

Quadrangle: West Lake Eucha, Okla. 1:24,000/7.5 min.

UTM: Undetermined

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION: Block 13, Lots 10,11, and 12, Kenwood Plat Map of 1923

PICTURE REFERENCE: None