OKLAHOMA LANDMARKS INVENTORY NOMINATION

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

SOURCE OF NOMINATION: Contract Survey

SUNNYSIDE SCHOOL

LOCATION: Vicinity of Broken Arrow, Oklahoma 040, Wagoner County 145; SW corner, Sec. 8, T 18 N, R 16 E

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

OWNER: Trustees, Sunnyside Baptist Church, Rural Route 4, Broken Arrow, 74012

LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION: Wagoner County Courthouse, Wagoner OK 74467

DESCRIPTION: good condition; altered; original site

Designed as a two room facility, the Sunnyside School building is a single story, rectangular (28' x 72') structure constructed of rusticated and coursed native sandstone, now painted white. The roof, now of composition shingles, is hipped, but a centrally placed cross gable covers the recessed two-door front entryway. The west window openings, which reach to the eaves, retain their original wood sash windows. On the east rear has been attached a stucco building with a sheet metal addition to it, both of which cover completely the original structure.

SIGNIFICANCE:

1941-42; architect/builder: Okla. State Dept. of Education pattern book

In a strictly agricultural community, the construction of the Sunnyside School facility meant jobs for workers long unemployed as a consequence of the depression and the drought. Equally important was that the building provided a modern environment supportive of real educational development among an isolated people. Within the community, the structure was totally unique in terms of type, style, workmanship and materials.

GEOGRAPHICAL DATA:

Acreage: one acre

Quadrangle: Oneta, Okla. 1:24,000/7.5 min.

UTM: undetermined

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION: Go east of Broken Arrow on 71st street seven miles into Wagoner

County, then one mile south. The Sunnyside school building is on the northeast corner of the interesction on property described as one acre in the SW corner of Sec. 8, T 18 N, R 16 E.

PICTURE REFERENCE: none