

## Board Meeting Minutes of 03-29-2022

The Lamesa Board of Trustees met in a Regular Meeting on Tuesday, March 29, 2022 in the Board Room.

Board Members present: President Rebecca H. Gonzales, Beverly Brewer, Cam Wade, Ernest Ogeda, Melissa Cazares and April Martinez. Kelli Merritt was not in attendance.

The following Administrators were present: Superintendent Jim Knight, Liz Oaks, Richard Soliz, Stacy Stewart, Stephen Cross, David Ritchey and Jaime Bahlman.

Guest(s) in attendance: Noe Carrion and Justin Lindsey. Mary Elizabeth Davis represented the *Lamesa Press Reporter*.

President Rebecca H. Gonzales called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Superintendent Jim Knight gave the invocation.

No one signed up for public speaking.

President Gonzales announced Kelli Merritt resigned as of Saturday, March 26, 2022. She added the board will wait until after the Board Election to make a decision to fill Kelli's seat per the Attorney's counsel.

April Martinez made the motion to approve all consent agenda items. Melissa Cazares seconded it. It passed by a vote of 6-0.

David Ritchey, Principal of North Elementary, gave LISD's vision and mission overview. Mr. Ritchey stated that the mission statement was brought about by a collaboration of students, teachers, Central Office Staff, Principals, Nurses, Technology, Athletics, Board Member, Counselors and Eddie Coulson. The mission statement is "Effort Today, Success Tomorrow".

All Principals present gave a report of their campuses.

Chief Financial Officer Liz Oaks gave a brief report of the Texas Comptroller property value study findings. Oaks also gave a brief report of the ESSER money received and money spent and what it is that the Board would like to do moving forward.

Superintendent Knight gave a construction update. The Baseball/Softball field is done. It only lacks some gates. The tennis courts needs wind screens, the fence and lighting to be completed. All campuses have bullet resistant glass in the front offices. The High School Gym is on schedule. The Middle School and High School schedules may change to accommodate more coaches and same subject teachers to teach together. In order for all athletes to use the new gym, Athletics periods need to be in the morning or at the end of the day for boys and girls. Knight added that in order to get students on the pathway to their High School careers, he would like to offer CTE classes to the Middle School students. The portable building at Middle School will be

reimbursed by the insurance in the storm claim. Mr. Knight would like to reduce staff through attrition for 2022-23 school year. Finally, there will be a “Steered Straight” assembly on vaping for students on May 12<sup>th</sup> and for the parents/community that evening.

Beverly Brewer made the motion to approve Allotment and TEKS Certification 2021-22. April Martinez seconded it. It passed by a vote of 6-0.

April Martinez made the motion to approve the revision of Election Judges for the May Election. Cam Wade seconded it. It passed by a vote of 6-0.

April Martinez made the motion to approve Kim Barrington to serve on the Dawson County Appraisal Board to replace Don Bethel. Ernest Ogeda seconded it. It passed by a vote of 6-0.

Ernest Ogeda made the motion to approve district calendar for 2022-23 school year Option B. Melissa Cazares seconded it. It passed by a vote of 6-0.

The Board went into Closed Session at 7:46 p.m. as allowed under Texas Government Code 551.074. The Board reconvened at 8:16 p.m. No action was taken.

Beverly Brewer made the motion to adjourn. Ernest Ogeda seconded it. It passed by a vote of 6-0.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:17 p.m.