Board Meeting Minutes of 07-21-2022

The Lamesa Board of Trustees met in a Regular Meeting on Thursday, July 21, 2022 in the Board Room.

Board Members present: President Rebecca H. Gonzales, Ernest Ogeda, April Martinez, Beverly Brewer, Cam Wade and Kevin Telchik.

The following Administrators were present: Superintendent Jim Knight, Liz Oaks, Richard Soliz, Jaime Bahlman, Timothy Drew and David Ritchey.

Guest(s) in attendance: Carter Schildknecht. Mary Elizabeth Davis represented the *Lamesa Press Reporter*.

President Rebecca H. Gonzales called the meeting to order at 6:01 p.m.

Superintendent Jim Knight gave the invocation.

Carter Schildknecht signed up for public speaking. She was given three minutes to speak.

Ernest Ogeda made the motion to approve all consent agenda items. Beverly Brewer seconded it. It passed by a vote of 6-0.

Human Resources Director Richard Soliz gave a brief update on staff and the Teacher Incentive Allotment for eligible teachers.

Chief Financial Officer Liz Oaks gave a lengthy budget discussion. Oaks stated it is an honor to receive recognition for transparency from the Texas Comptroller Glenn Hegar as posted on the LISD website.

Superintendent Knight gave a brief construction report. He stated everything seems to be on schedule. Knight brought to the board live streaming the future board meetings to ensure transparency for the community and stated he would like to put it as an action item for next month's meeting. Ernest Ogeda left the meeting at 6:51 p.m. He returned to the meeting at 6:52 p.m. There was discussion of TASB-CH Local Spending limit threshold from \$50,000 to \$10,000. After a lengthy discussion the Superintendent and the CFO will notify the Board of Capital Outlay Projects over \$25,000. The August Regular Board Meeting will be August 11th because school starts the following week. There will need to be a Special Board Meeting August 30th to adopt the budget and tax rate. Knight also discussed Policy Update 119. Primarily, the changes are on semantics. Finally, Knight discussed the drug policy has been in place since 2003.

Beverly Brewer made the motion to approve ESC 17 Contracts. April Martinez seconded it. It passed by a vote of 6-0.

April Martinez made the motion to approve Revised LOCAL Grievance Policies DGBA, FNG and GF as recommended by School Attorney. Ernest Ogeda seconded it. It passed by a vote of 6-0.

Ernest Ogeda made the motion to approve closed campus for all High School students for safety and security purposes. April Martinez seconded it. It passed by a vote of 5-1 Cam Wade against.

April Martinez left the meeting at 8:00 p.m. and returned at 8:01 p.m. Kevin Telchiik made the motion to approve the Interlocal Agreement between LISD and the City of Lamesa for commissioning of SRO Officers. Ernest Ogeda seconded it. It passed by a vote of 6-0.

Ernest Ogeda made the motion to approve 2% median raise for all staff members. Beverly Brewer seconded it. It passed by a vote of 6-0.

The Board went into Closed Session at 8:03 p.m. They reconvened at 8:38 p.m.

Beverly Brewer made the motion to approve a 2% raise for the Superintendent. Cam Wade seconded it. The motion was a tie 3-3. Beverly Brewer, Cam Wade and Ernest Ogeda was for and Rebecca Gonzales, April Martinez and Kevin Telchik was against. The motion did not pass.

Ernest Ogeda made the motion to approve 5% return to work incentive for all employees 2 ½ of base pay in August and 2 ½ of base pay in November. April Martinez seconded it. It passed by a vote of 6-0.

April Martinez made the motion to approve TTESS Calendar for 2022-2023. Cam Wade seconded it. It passed by a vote of 6-0.

Ernest Ogeda made the motion to approve TTESS Alternative Appraisers for 2022-2023. Beverly Brewer seconded it. It passed by a vote of 6-0.

Ernest Ogeda made the motion to authorize administration to publish notice of a public hearing to consider the donation of the V.Z. Rodgers campus real property to a 501 (C)(3) nonprofit organization in accordance with Texas Education Code 11.1541. April Martinez seconded it. It passed by a vote of 6-0.

Beverly Brewer made the motion to approve hiring of administrators and teaching staff. Ernest Ogeda seconded it. It passed by a vote of 6-0.

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

Meeting was adjourned at 9:12 p.m.