

Special Board Meeting Minutes of 08-18-2022

The Lamesa Board of Trustees met in a Special Board Meeting on Thursday, August 18, 2022 in the Board Room.

Board Members present: President Rebecca H. Gonzales, Ernest Ogeda, April Martinez, Beverly Brewer and Kevin Telchik. Cam Wade was not in attendance.

The following Administrators were present: Superintendent Jim Knight, Liz Oaks and Richard Soliz.

Mary Elizabeth Davis represented the Lamesa *Press Reporter*.

President Rebecca H. Gonzales called the meeting to order at 12:00 p.m.

Superintendent Jim Knight gave the invocation.

No one signed up for public speaking.

President Gonzales deliberated under Texas Education Code 11.060 and Board Policy BBC(LEGAL) regarding whether to appoint a replacement trustee to fill the vacancy created by the resignation of at-large trustee Kelli Merritt until the next trustee election (May 2023) or to call a Special Election for the November 8, 2022, uniform election date to fill the vacancy.

The Board went into Closed Session under Texas Government Code 551.074 to discuss possible candidates to be appointed to fill the at-large trustee vacancy created by the resignation of trustee Kelli Merritt at 12:02 p.m. The Board reconvened at 12:19 p.m.

Beverly Brewer made the motion to appoint Don Bethel as replacement trustee to fill the vacancy created by the resignation of at-large trustee Kelli Merritt until the next trustee election in May 2023 when the at-large term expires. Ernest Ogeda seconded it. It did not pass 2-3. Beverly Brewer and Ernest Ogeda for. Rebecca Gonzales, April Martinez and Kevin Telchik against.

April Martinez made the motion to appoint Ron Mann as replacement trustee to fill the vacancy created by the resignation of at-large trustee Kelli Merritt until the next trustee election in May 2023 when the at-large term expires. Kevin Telchik seconded it. It passed by a vote of 3-2. Rebecca Gonzales, April Martinez and Kevin Telchik for. Beverly Brewer and Ernest Ogeda against.

April Martinez made the motion to adjourn. Ernest Ogeda seconded it. It passed by a vote of 5-0.

Meeting was adjourned at 12:21 p.m.