

Board Meeting Minutes of 03-23-2023

The Lamesa Board of Trustees met in a Regular Meeting on Thursday, March 23, 2023 in the Board Room.

Board Members present: President Rebecca H. Gonzales, Ron Mann, Cindy Martinez, Kevin Telchik, Trey Barrera, Ernest Ogeda and April Martinez.

The following Administrators were present: Superintendent David Ritchey, Dr. Gregory Nelson, Ron McBee, Maranda Watson, Jerry Birdsong, Joey Hannaway, Melanie Jasper, Jaime Bahlman, and Stacy Stewart.

Guest(s) in attendance: Josh Peterson, Alexis Peterson, Michael Boyd, Wally Garza, Frankie Sauseda, Kendall Meeks, Tippy Browning, Patty Browning, and Mike Hughes. Mary Elizabeth Davis represented the *Lamesa Press Reporter*.

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

Kendall Meeks gave the invocation.

No one signed up for public speaking.

April Martinez made the motion to approve the special board minutes of February 13, 2023, regular board minutes of February 16, 2023, special board minutes of February 23, 2023, and special board minutes of March 7, 2023. Ernest Ogeda seconded it. It passed by a vote of 7-0.

Dr. Gregory Nelson gave a brief report of the Investment and Financial Report. He also stated we are currently awaiting one more bid for student accident insurance for athletics and all students. Ron Mann made the motion to approve the Financial Report. April Martinez seconded it. It passed by a vote of 7-0.

All Principals present Joey Hannaway, Maranda Watson, Melanie Jasper and Jerry Birdsong gave a brief report of their campus.

Superintendent Ritchey stated the Legislature is discussing Safety & Security, the Voucher System and Teacher shortage. Ritchey stated the lift is being installed at the Middle School gym next week for handicap accessibility. The weight rooms are complete at the High School. The 2023-2024 school calendar will be discussed in executive session in regards to the District of Innovation Plan. Ritchey added he would like to change the HS/MS classroom schedules. He would like to add a period to shorten the classes and possibly reduce the number of students per class period. Mr. Ritchey introduced the Chief of Police Josh Peterson and Lieutenant Wally Garza. Ritchey went on to say that he would like to start mending fractured relationships between the Lamesa Police Department and LISD. In conclusion, Mr. Ritchey will edit and make revisions to the current FFI (LOCAL) Policy regarding bullying and cyber bullying and bring it before the board for approval at the next board meeting.

The Board went to Closed Session as allowed by the Texas Government Code, Section 551.074 at 6:58 p.m. The Board reconvened at 8:52 p.m. No action was taken.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:52 p.m.