



## Board of Education

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**Monday, September 11, 2017**

Regular Board Meeting

### 1 OPENING ITEMS

1.01 The Meeting was called to order at 6:04 PM.

1.02 Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag/Moment of Silence

1.03 Roll Call

**Present:**

P. Lakatos, J. McCoy, R. Miller, D. Stellini, T. Zorn, B. Honeycutt  
B. Williams

**Excused:**

D. Meyers

1.04 Approval of Agenda

Motion by T. Zorn, support by J. McCoy, to approve the Agenda.

Ayes: 6      Nays: 0      Carried: 6 – 0

1.05 Approval of Minutes

- Regular Board Minutes 08.14.17
- Special Board Meeting Minutes 08.21.17
- Regular Board Meeting Minutes 08.28.17

Motion by T. Zorn, support by P. Lakatos, to approve Regular Board Minutes 08.14.17, Special Board Meeting Minutes 08.21.17, Regular Board Meeting Minutes 08.28.17.

Ayes: 6      Nays: 0      Carried: 6 – 0

### 2 REPORTS/PRESENTATIONS

2.01 Superintendent's/Asst. Superintendent's Report

**Superintendent's Report:**

- Working directly with principals and Pupil Accounting Director, Suzanne Maniaci, to monitor first week's enrollment trends. TSD normally waits until the ten day to process no show drops but we have begun the drop process today after trying to reach all of the no shows on the phone. Firm numbers will be forthcoming as soon as we have them.
- Thanks to Steve Woodworth for his work with McKinley properties to add two bus stops for elementary students living in The Ponds and who attend Myers Elementary School.
- High School merger updates: Continuing the search for a "Project Manager" to oversee the entire process of merging the two high schools. After much discussion with MASB, WRESA, and other Superintendents it is critical to get a PM to help guide the work.

- Worked with our Principals and Assistant Principals in focusing on the 5 C's – Customer Service, Communication, Collaboration, Culture, and Climate. Some of the Principals are already working on restorative practices and mediation into problem solving with their students.
- Communication on FB over the weekend indicated a few of the elementary playgrounds had some dated and potentially unsafe equipment. L. Hilliker and the principals are re-inspecting the areas to ensure that everything is safe and in good working condition. Several of the elementary schools have established a partnership with Home Depot Staff who have been extremely helpful with exterior upgrades and improvements.
- Thank you to the summer work crews for all of their work this summer preparing the schools for the new school year.
- Vivian Street to Eureka Road to Cherry Street resurfacing project – Working with all involved in managing the traffic flow for dropping off and picking up students at Eureka Heights. Expected Dates are September 13<sup>th</sup> – 27<sup>th</sup>.
- Big Thank you to Tom Zorn, Carly Lundgren and the DECA students for working so quickly to organize an official Red Cross donation center for cash donations going toward hurricane relief.

#### **Assistant Superintendent's Report:**

- First week of school – Special thanks to all staff in getting the schools ready.
- Johnson Pre-School – Warm welcome to the new Johnson Pre-School Principal Lee MacKenzie.
- TSD Instructional Coaches – The feedback from the Instructional Coaches and the TSD SI Leadership Team is overwhelmingly positive. Thank you to Superintendent Williams and the BOE for the ongoing support in this coaching initiative.
- HS Career Academies – Because of the hurricane, planning a visit with the Clearwater Schools has been put on hold.
- TSD Cabinet and TFT Executive join forces to support TSD Teachers - This week the TSD Cabinet and TFT Executive will stand united in a presentation at the WCCC. The goals of the presentation include TSD vision, 5 C's, teacher support, teacher efficacy, teacher evaluation, growth mindsets versus fixed mindsets and flattened leadership.
- RESA – RESA has asked for the Assistant Superintendent and the TSD SI Leadership Team to present our Coaching Model to the WRESA Curriculum Directors. They have been following our TSD Coaching journey and have been thoroughly impressed with our work. Because of our initiative, RESA is supporting TSD by providing an Elementary ELA Literacy Coach, this school year, two days a week, in two of our schools with the greatest needs. The School Improvement Leadership Team met with the RESA Coach to discuss ways she can support us in light of our new curriculum and the 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade Reading legislation requirements.

#### **2.02 Student/Staff Recognition**

None

#### **2.03 Audience Participation**

None

#### **2.04 Communications/Ambassador Updates**

J. McCoy – Holland Open House was held from 5:30-6:30. Truman orientation had a great presentation. Taylor Library is hiring student assistants.

P. Lakatos – Visited with D. Stellini all of the elementary and secondary schools.

D. Stellini – Saw that the gate at the Pond's was now open for students. People are very happy with the quality and quantity of work that our new IT Director is doing, kids were well behaved at the football game Friday night, Thursday night Hoover MS will be open for an hour for parents to come in to practice with their children using locker combinations.

B. Honeycutt – Attended the volley ball games. They did a good job.

#### **2.05 Committee Report**

Finance Committee will be meeting the end of October.

## **2.06 IT Dept. Technology Update**

Rob Ferrari, IT Director presented his update on the IT Department. The IT Department has been very busy servicing 800-1000 staff, student devices, tickets and many challenging items throughout the district.

**Motion by D. Stellini, support by T. Zorn, to close Reports/Presentations.**

Ayes: 6      Nays: 0      Carried: 6 – 0

## **3 DISCUSSION ITEMS**

### **3.01 Closed Session Filing Cabinet**

Discussion on purchasing a fire proof cabinet for closed session meetings. Maintenance will check throughout the district for an available cabinet. Also discussed housing various important documents and going to digital files.

### **3.02 Expanded use of District AMEX Card or incorporation of District MC or VISA**

Currently no card to use for paying for immediate purchases and conferences. Chase bank offers a purchase card program that may fit the needs of TSD with limitations and restrictions. More information will be made available to the BOE asap.

### **3.03 AASA Resolution**

Superintendent Williams read the AASA Resolution to the BOE for discussion and consideration at the next scheduled meeting.

**Motion by D. Stellini, support by R. Miller, to close Discussion Items.**

Ayes: 6      Nays: 0      Carried: 6 – 0

## **4 ACTION ITEMS**

**4.01 Consolidated Items: 1. Payment of Current Bills, 2. Payment of Current Bills on Hold, 3. Approval of Requisitions, 4. Approval of Requisitions on Hold, 5. Personnel Reports.**

**Motion by D. Stellini, support by P. Lakatos, to approve Consolidated Items.**

Ayes: 6      Nays: 0      Carried: 6 – 0

### **4.02 Independent Contracts/Request to Hire**

Request to Hire – H. Garvassi, Professional Development Sub Kinyon; J. Morrow, Professional Development Sub Truman; L. Lamar, Behavior Interventionist Kinyon; R. Birchard, Behavior Interventionist Kinyon; R. Reilly, Reading Interventionist Kinyon.

**Motion by T. Zorn, support by R. Miller, to approve Requests to Hire as presented.**

Ayes: 6      Nays: 0      Carried: 6 – 0

### **4.03 Request for Advanced Authorization to Hire/Recall**

**Motion by D. Stellini, support by T. Zorn, to approve Request for Advanced Authorization to Hire/Recall.**

Ayes: 6      Nays: 0      Carried: 6 – 0

## **5 Diamond Healthcare Staffing**

### **5.01 Diamond Healthcare Staffing Rate Schedule for approval**

**Motion by T. Zorn, support by P. Lakatos, to approve Diamond Healthcare Staffing Rate Schedule.**

Ayes: 6      Nays: 0      Carried: 6 – 0

## **6 CLOSED SESSION**

### **6.01 Closed Session**

Motion by D. Stellini, support by T. Zorn, to go into closed session.

#### **Admin Content**

The Board of Education went into closed session for the following:

Closed Session Minutes  
Negotiations  
Litigation  
Attorney Opinion

#### **Roll Call:**

Lakatos - Yes  
McCoy - Yes  
Meyers - Excused  
Miller - Yes  
Stellini - Yes  
Zorn - Yes  
Honeycutt - Yes

Ayes: 6    Nays: 0    Carried: 6 – 0

The Board went into closed session at 7:58 PM

The Board resumed from closed session at 8:54 PM

## **6 POSSIBLE ACTION FOLLOWING CLOSED SESSION**

### **6.01 Possible Action Following Closed Session**

None

## **7 ADJOURNMENT**

### **7.01 Adjournment**

Motion by R. Miller, support by P. Lakatos, to Adjourn the meeting.

Ayes: 6    Nays: 0    Carried: 6- 0

The Taylor School District Board of Education, Regular Board Meeting for Monday, September 11, 2017 adjourned at 8:55 PM.



Debbie Stellini, Secretary

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