# Minutes of Regular Meeting

# The Board of Trustees Bloomington Independent School District

A Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees of Bloomington Independent School District was held Monday, December 16, 2019, beginning at 6:30 PM in the Board Room, 2781 FM 616, Bloomington, Texas.

Board Members present were Delores White, Blanca Wallace, Joseph Nelms and Javier Chavana. Joe Canales, E.R. Saenz, and John Ellsworth were absent.

Others in attendance were Mark Anglin, Kellye Chavana, Jennifer Perez, Carl Frisch, Louise Escalante-Torres, Lina Moore, Melinda Perez and Bret Baldwin.

#### 1. Call to Order, Roll Call and Pledge of Allegiance

Delores White called the meeting to order at 6:36 pm. Joseph Nelms led the Pledge of Allegiance and a moment of silence was observed.

#### 2. Public Comments

There were no comments

#### 3. Commendations/Board Recognition

A. PES Shining Star is Alex Perez

Melinda Perez, Principal, read the comments the teacher had written on why Alex Perez was chosen PES Shining Star.

#### B. BHS Student of the Month

Ms. Moore stated the student would be recognized in January.

## C. Employee of the Month is Jennifer Perez

Carl Frisch, BES Principal, spoke to the Board of the great qualities that Jennifer Perez exemplifies as a teacher on his campus. Ms. Perez received a certificate and a \$50 gift card from BISD.

#### 4. Consider Presentation from Straet Global Consulting - Bret Baldwin

Bret Baldwin presented to the Board information on his services to the district in assisting with the College, Career, and Military Readiness. His plan would be to increase services and certification in Global Business CTE classes he would be able to offer at BHS if he was hired as a consultant/teacher. Mr. Baldwin showed a clip of the Superintendent of Kennedy ISD speaking about the increase of CTE classes and the certifications his students receive before graduating from high school. The program would make high school graduates more valuable to major industries upon graduation.

## 5. Public Participation on Current Agenda Items

There was no one signed up for public participation.

### 6. Reports

### A. PES Principal - Melinda Perez

Ms. Perez informed the Board that students and teachers were doing the Power Hour and working in the program "Cap It". They are seeing progress and in January will be evaluating the student's progress. Ms. Perez stated that Pre-K being a full day next year will really be beneficial for students.

#### B. BES Principal - Carl Frisch

Mr. Frisch handed the Board information on the progress of the students in each grade level and each tested subject. It showed areas where students are still low and how he and his teachers are working hard to assist those students. BES is doing ok in the Approaches area, but they are not increasing the Meets and Master areas. Mr. Frisch stated that in his goals for fourth and fifth grades is he would like to have advanced classes. He is also asking his teachers to push their advanced students more and not just teach the class as a whole at the same level.

#### C. BMS Principal - Louise Escalante-Torres

Ms. Torres handed the Board information on the last Benchmark results. Ms. Torres also informed the Board that Speech was being offered to some students to take through the Edgenuity Program and they would be able to receive a half credit. She said possibly next year they would be able to include more subjects. Ms. Torres stated the Reading Plus program they implemented at the end of October, students have shown exceptional growth in their reading. Ms. Torres stated that attendance was slightly down, but many students had been affected with the flu and traveling for the holidays. Ms. Torres said that her attendance clerk was staying on top of student's absences and filing truancy on the students who meet the criteria.

#### D. BHS Principal - Lina Moore

Ms. Moore handed information to the Board on the high school assessments. Ms. Moore said that the students in Bob Academy have 28 credits with a possibility of a student being able to graduate by the end of the week. Ms. Moore stated that Mr. Jenkins is helping students in a study group to prepare for the TSI test. Teachers are still giving two DMAC assessments per 9 weeks, targeting the Meets and Masters.

#### E. Superintendent - Mr. Anglin

Mr. Anglin spoke to the Board on the SAF Grant he is working on for \$300,000 to be released this year and \$600,000 the next year. In January, he will have a structure of new school layout. This grant is not easy but will be a game changer for the district. Mr. Anglin stressed the importance of attending the Lonestar Governance Training that will be held at our district on February 14 and 15 all day. All Board has to attend as part of getting the grant.

#### F. Department Reports for Information Only

#### 7. Consider the Train Depot

This item was tabled until the next meeting.

The Board took a 5-minute break from 8:04 pm to 8:09 pm

#### 8. ITEMS OF BUSINESS

#### 9. Consent Agenda

- A. Approve Minutes for November 2019
- B. Finance
  - 1. Accounts Payable
  - 2. Finance Report
  - 3. Investment Report
  - 4. Donations

The Board were concerned on the cost of Waste Management (WM) and asked Mr. Anglin to look into the cost and contract with WM. Ms. Wallace asked about Cintas and UniFirst contracts. There were questions also on Rexal expenditures. Mr. Anglin stressed to the Board if they have questions on items, if they could please let us know ahead of the meeting so we could provide the answers.

A motion to accept the Consent Agenda was made by Joseph Nelms. A second was given by Blanca Wallace.

Motion passed 4-0 (Canales, Saenz, Ellsworth absent)

# 10. Consider and Take Possible Action on Approval of Contract with RS Network Consulting, LLC.

Mr. Anglin told the Board he had approved the contract with RS Network Consulting for the Safety and Security requirements that school districts will need to meet based on SB11 and HB3. They will assist us in meeting the guidelines required by the state. The district is working to receive a \$25,000 grant to help with the expenses.

Blanca Wallace made a motion to accept the contract with RS Network Consulting. Javier Chavana second the motion.

Motion passed 4-0 (Canales, Saenz, Ellsworth absent)

## 11. Consider and Take Possible Action on purchase of mule for district use

Mr. Anglin stated in the Boardbook were three bids from Velocity and Dale's Fun Center for mules. Mr. Anglin said that maintenance took the one we have to the shop and repairs would run \$2,000 to fix but due to the age of ours, it would make more sense to purchase a new one. Mr. Anglin made a recommendation to purchase the Kawasaki SX 2WD for 6,890.73.

A motion was made by Joseph Nelms to purchase the Kawasaki from Dale's Fun Center. A second was given by Blanca Wallace.

Motion passed 4-0 (Canales, Saenz, Ellsworth absent)

# 12. Future Agenda Items

Mr. Anglin will provide answers on Waste Management, Cintas contracts, and Rexal expenses.

The Board entered into Closed Session at 9:06 pm

# 13. Adjourn to Closed Meeting pursuant to Texas Government Code Section 551.071 and 551.074 of the Open Meetings Act for the following purpose:

A. Personnel Employment, Resignations, Assignments, Evaluations, Reassignments, Duties or Discipline

# 14. Reconvene Open Meeting

The Board reconvened at 9:58 pm. No action was taken during Closed Session.

Javier Chavana made a motion to adjourn. Blanca Wallace second the motion.

Motion passed 4-0 (Canales, Saenz, Ellsworth absent)

Meeting adjourned at 9:59 pm.

**Board President** 

Board Secretary