

MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE STANTON INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT HELD ON THE 11TH DAY OF FEBRUARY, 2019 AT 6:00 P.M. IN THE SCHOOL ADMINISTRATION BUILDING.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Darren Patrick, Edward Armendarez, Reggie Franklin
Marty Graham, Ramiro Reyes, Jeremy Louder.
Daniel Ramos

MEMBERS ABSENT:

SCHOOL OFFICIALS PRESENT: Dr. Merl Brandon, Superintendent
Jan McCown, Asst. Superintendent
Brad Holland, Chief Financial Officer
Leah Mitchell, Elementary Principal
Matt Turney, High School Principal
Cody Hogan, Athletic Director
Jay Baker, Technology Director
Dennis Simpson, Maintenance Director

GUESTS PRESENT: Wilma Stirl

Call meeting to order and establish quorum:

Mr. Franklin called the meeting to order at 6:02 p.m. and established a quorum.

Public Comments / Open Forum:

No public comment was given.

Consent Agenda:

Mr. Holland presented a budget amendment increasing Fund 199-Revenues by \$191,300.00 and increasing 199-Expenditures by the same amount. The \$191,300.00 was distributed in Functions 31-(\$15,000), 36-(\$6,300), and 91-(\$170,000).

Mr. Reyes made a motion to approve consent agenda items excluding payments to Franklin & Son and Wes-Tex. Mr. Ramos seconded the motion and the motion was approved 4-0-3 with Mr. Louder, Mr. Ramos and Mr. Graham abstaining. Mr. Louder made a motion to approve payments to Franklin & Son and Wes-Tex. The

motion was seconded by Mr. Armendarez and approved 4-0-3 with Mr. Franklin, Mr. Patrick and Mr. Ramos abstaining.

Public Hearing: 2017-2018 Texas Academic Performance Report

At 6:10 p.m., Mr. Franklin, moved to a public hearing to review the 2017-2018 Texas Academic Performance Report (TAPR). Mrs. Jan McCown, Assistant Superintendent, led the presentation. Mrs. McCown presented STAAR and EOC scores for each grade level and subject area. Mrs. McCown presented the STAAR and EOC data disaggregated by the percent of students scoring Approaches, Meets, and Masters as well as by the State, Region, and District. Additional data was presented on attendance rate, annual dropout rate, and college, career, and military readiness (CCMR). Mrs. McCown told the audience that copies of the TAPR report were available online, at each campus office or at central office.

Mr. Franklin asked for public input regarding the TAPR report. Hearing none, Mr. Franklin reconvened the regular board meeting at 6:24 p.m.

Consider Homestead exemption for 2019:

Mr. Louder made a motion to approve the Homestead Exemption for 2019 at the current deduction of 15%. Mr. Patrick seconded the motion and the motion was approved 7-0.

Approve a Resolution for Joint Election:

Mr. Reyes made a motion to approve the resolution for joint election between Stanton ISD and the City of Stanton, as presented. Mr. Graham seconded the motion and the motion was approved 7-0.

Approve Contract with City Of Stanton for Joint Election Services:

Mr. Reyes made a motion to approve the contract with the City of Stanton for joint election services as presented. Mr. Graham seconded the motion and the motion was approved 7-0.

Order Election for District's #1 and #5 and One At-Large Seat on the Stanton ISD Board of Trustees:

Dr. Brandon reviewed the election timeline and current open seats. Mr. Reyes made a motion to order an election for District's #1, #5 and one at-large seat on the Stanton ISD Board of Trustees. Mr. Graham seconded the motion and the motion was approved 7-0.

Approve Board Resolution Extending Depository Contract with Community National Bank:

Mr. Holland reviewed the current depository contract with Community National Bank and recommended extending the contract. Mr. Ramos made a motion to approve the resolution extending the depository contract with Community National Bank as presented. Mr. Reyes seconded the motion and the motion was approved 7-0.

Consider, Discuss, and Take Appropriate Action to Approve a change order to the existing 2014 Architect Agreement with BGR Architects to add the Middle School Remodel Project to their scope of work:

Dr. Brandon discussed with the board the scope of work for the proposed middle school summer remodel and how the scope of work was closely tied to the design work provided by BGR in the 2014 bond project. Mr. Reyes made a motion to approve a change order to the existing 2014 Architect Agreement with BGR Architects to add the Middle School Remodel Project to their scope of work. Mr. Graham seconded the motion and the motion was approved 7-0.

Consider, Discuss, and Take Appropriate Action Regarding Asbestos Abatement Proposal:

Mr. Dennis Simpson, Director of Facilities and Maintenance, explained to the board a delay in the bid process for asbestos abatement and that the District had not received any bid packets by the advertised deadline. Mr. Simpson said he would advertise the proposal another two weeks and plan to bring the proposals to the board in the March board meeting. Mr. Franklin tabled the agenda item until March.

Consider, Discuss, and Take Appropriate Action Regarding Adopting a Resolution Selecting a Construction Delivery Method for the Middle School Remodel Project:

Dr. Brandon and Mr. Simpson discussed various construction delivery methods and why a competitive sealed proposal was the best fit for the middle school project. Mr. Simpson discussed the scope of the project and a projected timeline. Mr. Louder made a motion to adopt a resolution selecting competitive sealed proposals as the construction delivery method for the summer middle school remodel project. Mr. Graham seconded the motion and the motion passed 7-0.

Bond Construction Update:

Dr. Brandon told the board that several dates in March were now being considered for mediation.

Administrative Reports:

Elementary Report:

Mrs. Mitchell reported on campus activities, testing, and reading growth charts by grade level and teacher.

Middle School Report:

Mr. Avila reported on enrollment, robotics, upcoming parent nights, cheerleading, tutorials, and upcoming events.

High School Report:

No high school report was given.

Athletic Report:

Dr. Brandon presented athletic information regarding basketball records, softball, powerlifting results, and character development lessons Coach Hogan had initiated during the athletic periods.

Maintenance Report:

Mr. Simpson reported on current warranty items being addressed by BTC. Mr. Simpson also discussed emergency lighting, a collapsed drain line in the elementary basement, and the construction of a temporary wall in the elementary library.

Technology Report:

Mr. Baker provided a report presenting information on work order numbers, Chromebooks at the high school, mobile hot spots available for student check out, internet availability on two buses, deployment of new switches, and addition of new security cameras.

Federal Programs / ESL Report:

Mrs. Snellgrove reported on ELL numbers, TELPAS training, ISS placement numbers, DAEP, attendance, District Leadership Team topics, and textbook adoptions.

Assistant Superintendent for C & I Report:

Mrs. McCown referenced the earlier TAPR presentation and discussed professional development and curriculum in place to target areas of concern. Mrs. McCown also discussed the need for an additional Reading Specialist to address the large number of students reading below grade level.

CFO Report:

Mr. Holland presented the monthly insurance report, pupil projection report and reviewed the 2018-2019 revenue and expenditure report.

Superintendent Report:

Dr. Brandon discussed a TEA Statement of Impact report for the Texas Leadership Charter Academy. Dr. Brandon said he intended to report little or no impact on Stanton ISD.

District Personnel:

A. Resignations

B. Employ Personnel

There were no resignations or personnel considered.

Closed Meeting:

A. Personnel – Texas Government Code, Section 551.071

Mr. Franklin moved the board into closed session at 7:32 p.m.

Mr. Franklin reconvened the regular board meeting at 8:58 p.m.

Review, Discuss, and Take Appropriate Action Regarding Superintendent Evaluation and Contract:

Mr. Franklin received input from each board member regarding Dr. Brandon's evaluation. Mr. Franklin compiled the input and presented the evaluation to Dr. Brandon. Mr. Graham made a motion to extend Dr. Brandon's superintendent contract through June 30, 2022 with an annual salary of \$138,000 beginning July 1, 2019.

Action Items Discussed in Closed Meeting:

No new action other than that of a listed agenda item was taken as a result of closed session.

Issues / Concerns for Future Agenda or Administrative Reports:

Mr. Ramos expressed a concern regarding items being reported as stolen in the high school boy's athletic area. Dr. Brandon told the board he would look into the situation.

Adjourn:

Mr. Ramos made a motion to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Mr. Reyes and approved 7-0.

	
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If, during the course of the meeting, discussion of any item on the agenda should be held in a closed meeting, the board will conduct a closed meeting in accordance with the Texas Open Meetings Act, Texas Government Code, Chapter 551, Subchapters D and E or Texas Government Code section 418.183(f). Before any closed meeting is convened, the presiding officer will publicly identify the section or sections of the Act authorizing the closed meeting.