

BURTON INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT  
MINUTES OF REGULAR SCHOOL BOARD MEETING  
AUGUST 15, 2017

The Board of Trustees of Burton Independent School District met in regular session on Tuesday, August 15, 2017 at 7:06 p.m. in the Burton Independent School District Administration Office.

Board Members present:

Demetrius Colvin, Sr., Misty Lucher, Ronnie Hohlt, Felton Cox, Ande Bostain, Brian Jaeger, Linda Hasten

Administrators present:

Superintendent Edna Kennedy, Principals Karen Steenken and Melinda Fuchs, and Sheila Ripple, Business Clerk

Visitors: Willy Dilworth, Washington County Chief Appraiser  
Johnny Zolman, Field Representative from Region VI, ESC  
Melissa McCaghren – Banner Press  
Mark Whitehead – KWHI  
Johnnie L. Pitts  
Ken Gwyn  
Larry Winkelmann  
Brenda Ritter  
Jeff Harmel

The following business was transacted:

1. The meeting was called to order by President Demetrius Colvin, Sr. A prayer was given by Linda Hasten, and the Pledge of Allegiance was led by Brian Jaeger.
2. Open Forum  
Johnnie Pitts expressed concerns regarding the possibility of the district providing lunch for teachers, teacher salary increases, and students staying at school too long.
3. A motion was made by Mr. Jaeger and seconded by Mr. Bostain to go to executive session at 7:10 p.m. Motion passed unanimously. Board returned to open session at 7:27 p.m.
4. Action Taken on Items Discussed in Executive Session  
No action was taken.
5. Principals' Report
  - a. Melinda Fuchs, elementary principal reported the proposed enrollment at the elementary school is 240 students. She also stated that her campus met the state's accountability standards from the Texas Education Agency. Mary Jane Zorn will be employed to teach music on Thursday and Friday. Parent night is Thursday, August 17<sup>th</sup>. Mrs. Fuchs presented a thank you letter to the board for the BBQ lunch they prepared for the faculty and staff.

- b. Karen Steenken, secondary campus principal reported the proposed enrollment at her campus is 215 students. She presented an accountability summary to the board. Parent night is Thursday, August 17<sup>th</sup>. A football scrimmage will be held on Friday, August 17<sup>th</sup> at panther stadium.
6. Superintendent's Report
  - a. Dr. Kennedy presented an accountability summary of all campuses.
  - b. Burton Independent School District has received a financial rating of 100.
  - c. She also reported that the proposed enrollment for the district is 455 students and that all classes are full.
  - d. Dr. Kennedy stated that the City of Burton mayor would like to have a town meeting on September 6, 2017 in the Burton High School Auditorium.
7. A motion was made by Mr. Hohlt and seconded by Mrs. Lucherk to approve the consent agenda as presented. Motion passed unanimously.
8. A motion was made by Mrs. Lucherk and seconded by Mr. Jaeger to approve the following change to the graduation requirements: the course, BIM (Business Information Management) will be removed as a required course for all students to graduate. Motion passed unanimously.
9. A motion was made by Mr. Hohlt and seconded by Mrs. Lucherk to set August 28, 2017 at 6:30 p.m. as the date to Discuss Budget and Proposed Tax Rate at the Burton ISD Administration Office. Public comments on the budget and tax rate will be allowed at this meeting. Following any public comments, the board will adopt the budget and set the tax rate. Motion passed unanimously.
10. A motion was made by Mrs. Lucherk and seconded by Mr. Hohlt to publish the proposed tax rate at \$1.17 (\$1.04 Maintenance & Operation and \$0.13 Interest & Sinking Fund). Motion passed unanimously.
11. A motion was made by Mr. Bostain and seconded by Mr. Jaeger to accept the resignation of board member, Ronnie Hohlt. Motion passed unanimously.
12. A motion was made by Mr. Bostain and seconded by Mrs. Lucherk to appoint Jeff Harmel as the board member to fill the vacancy of former board member Ronnie Hohlt until the May school board election. Motion passed unanimously.
13. Jeff Harmel was administered the Oath of Office by Notary Public Sheila Ripple.
14. Nominations for secretary were opened. Linda Hasten nominated Felton Cox for secretary, and Misty Lucherk nominated Ande Bostain for secretary. Nominations ceased. Linda Hasten and Felton Cox voted for Felton Cox. Demetrius Colvin, Sr., Misty Lucherk, Jeff Harmel, Ande Bostain, and Brian Jaeger voted for Ande Bostain. Ande Bostain was elected secretary by a vote of 5-2.
15. A motion was made by Mr. Jaeger and seconded by Mr. Harmel to approve the district teacher appraisal calendar as presented. Motion passed unanimously. (Copy attached.)

16. The board discussed staff salaries. No action was taken regarding staff salaries.
17. No action was taken regarding employee benefits.
18. A motion was made by Mrs. Lucherk and seconded by Mr. Cox to adjourn at 8:37 p.m. Motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

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Secretary

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President