

BURTON INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT
MINUTES OF VIDEO CONFERENCE/TELEPHONE CONFERENCE
REGULAR SCHOOL BOARD MEETING
MARCH 8, 2021

The Board of Trustees of Burton Independent School District met in a video conference/telephone conference regular session on Monday, March 8, 2021 at 6:00 p.m. in the Public link to the board meeting:
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88084519754?pwd=bGpWOHpma0ZKcEhzblFpbUhzWGtQdz09>
Meeting ID: 880 8451 9754 Passcode: 457021 or by calling the following number +1 (346) 248-7799, Meeting ID: 880 8451 9754 Passcode: 457021

Board Members present:

Demetrius Colvin, Sr., Jeff Harmel, Misty Lucherk, David Warner, Sr., Donna Putnam

Board Member absent:

Dean Fuchs

Administrators present:

Superintendent Edna Kennedy, Principals Matthew Wamble and Melinda Fuchs, Assistant Principal Jeremy Johnston, Jason Hodde, Athletic Director, and Caitlyn Blakey, Business Manager

Visitors: Alison Bryce – Banner Press

Joshua Blaschke – KWHI

Jonathan Purvis

Sanya Baumbach

Cathy Liles

The following business was transacted:

1. The meeting was called to order by President Demetrius Colvin, Sr. A prayer was given by Jeff Harmel, and the Pledge of Allegiance was led by Donna Putnam.
2. Open Forum
None
3. Principals' Report
 - a. Melinda Fuchs, elementary principal reported the following:
 - Spring Break is next week.
 - She is in the process of wrapping up observations this week.
 - Her campus will do Spring benchmarks the last week of March.
 - The Boys and Girls Club will be doing their summer program from June 7th to July 30th.
 - The elementary campus is working on TELPAS testing.
 - April 6 – Fourth grade Writing STAAR
 - STAAR alt2 will be administered the beginning of April.
 - A major stock show is being held. Good luck to participants.

- b. Matthew Wamble, secondary campus principal reported the following:
 - Our Panther Concert Band participated in the UIL competition and received all ones, which is the superior score. Several students also participated in the UIL Solo and Ensemble this past weekend. Three students received 1st Division. Sabrina Burke qualified to participate in the state solo and ensemble. A big congratulations to Mr. Silcox and the entire band for all their hard work.
 - The Burton Theater Arts Team will be traveling to Normangee High School on Thursday, March 10th to participate in the UIL One Act Play competition.
 - We are in the process of finalizing dates for senior activities. The Burton Junior/Senior Prom will be held on April 10, 2021 at the Burton High School from 7:00 p.m. – 11:00 p.m. All other dates for senior activities will be released soon.

4. Jason Hodde, athletic director reported that softball starts district play this week and has had a tournament. Baseball has finished their tournament. They will be playing in the Weimar tournament this weekend. Burton has a junior high school softball team who is playing in Franklin tonight. Track is getting started. There will be a track meet in Somerville this weekend. Fifteen – eighteen boys and twenty girls are participating in track. Due to stock shows, games are having to be moved around. Off season athletes are in a weight program two – three days per week.

5. Superintendent's Report
 - a. Dr. Kennedy gave an update on the TEA Survey-COVID-19 Vaccine results. Washington County is offering school staff registration for the two dose vaccine, and Norman's Pharmacy in Brenham is taking appointments for the one dose vaccine. Sixty-five percent of our staff are either already COVID-19 vaccinated, on a list waiting for the vaccine, or want to be vaccinated. COVID-19 report – Currently, one elementary student is in quarantine because of close contact through mid-spring break.
 - b. Cafeteria Management Services – Students are loving having options and are eating more. Offering the breakfast in the classrooms has been well received. Many students who bring their lunches are eating the free meal, too.
 - c. The district is currently working on scheduling with the custodial service.
 - d. The district will have early release on Friday, March 12, 2021 at 12:45 p.m. Spring Break is the following week.
 - e. There will be no school on April 1, 2021, bad weather day and April 2, 2021, Good Friday.
 - f. The district is compiling a list of community members and parents to discuss facility/bond needs.

6. A motion was made by Mrs. Lucherk and seconded by Ms. Putnam to approve the consent agenda as presented. Motion passed 5-0.

7. A motion was made by Mr. Harmel and seconded by Mr. Warner to approve the Texas Education Agency Waivers during the inclement weather week of February 15 – 19, 2021 as follows:
February 15 Staff Development – Remote

February 16 Student Instruction – Remote
February 17 – 19 School Closed-Missed School Days Waiver.
Motion passed 5-0.

8. A motion was made by Mr. Colvin and seconded by Mr. Warner to approve the resolution of the Board of Trustees of the Burton Independent School District regarding an inclement weather emergency as presented. Motion passed 5-0. The resolution approves adjustments to the school calendar, schedule, and payments to district staff for the inclement weather week of February 15-19, 2021.
9. A motion was made by Mrs. Lucherk and seconded by Mr. Harmel to approve the Education Service Center, Region VII Purchasing Cooperative Agreement/ Resolution as presented. Motion passed 5-0.
10. No action was taken regarding the Burton Special Services Cooperative Director Contract.
11. A motion was made by Mr. Colvin and seconded by Mrs. Lucherk to adjourn at 6:26 p.m. Motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Secretary

President