

BURTON INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT  
MINUTES OF REGULAR SCHOOL BOARD MEETING  
SEPTEMBER 13, 2021

The Board of Trustees of Burton Independent School District met in regular session on Monday, September 13, 2021 at 6:00 p.m. in the Burton Independent School District Administration Office.

Board Members present:

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

Board Members absent:

David Warner, Sr., Dean Fuchs, Brian Hinze

Administrators present:

Superintendent Edna Kennedy, Principals Matthew Wamble and Melinda Fuchs, and Caitlyn Blakey-Staal, Business Manager

Administrators absent:

Assistant Principal Jeremy Johnston, Jason Hodde, Athletic Director

Visitors: Joshua Blaschke -KWHI  
Alison Bryce – Banner Press  
Jennifer Mills  
Vicki Bernet  
Mike Clyde  
Jonathan Purvis  
Eddy Jezisek

Madison McCoy-Hood  
Avery Applewhite  
Peyton Sigsbee  
Samantha Angell  
Daisy Cleboski  
Vivian Layman

The following business was transacted:

1. The meeting was called to order by President Misty Lucherk. A prayer was given by Demetrius Colvin, Sr., and the Pledge of Allegiance was led by Vicki Bernet's class.
2. Open Forum  
The following students from Vicki Bernet's science class: Samantha Angell, Avery Applewhite, Daisy Cleboski, Vivian Layman, Madison McCoy-Hood, and Peyton Sigsbee gave a presentation about their recycling project. They received the Brazos Valley Council of Government's (BVCOG) Regional Solid Waste Management Award for Environmental Education and Outreach.

Jennifer Mills, a new PreK teacher, was introduced to the board.

3. Principals' Report
  - a. Melinda Fuchs, elementary principal reported the following:
    - The school year is running smoothly. We are wrapping up all of our beginning of the year assessments.

- Students are out this week competing in the Washington County Fair. On Thursday, some students will be participating in the Champion Drive at the fair.
  - We have been doing remote learning and remote conferencing daily with students who have been identified as having COVID-19 or as a close contact. We have been utilizing a retired teacher to help us out for remote learning where she is face to face with the child over the computer screen.
- b. Matthew Wamble, secondary campus principal reported the following:
- We have a lot of students participating in the Washington County Fair this week showcasing their projects. Good luck to all our students this week.
  - We will have our first blood drive of the year on September 29<sup>th</sup> from 8:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. in the Burton High School auditorium.
  - Our academic UIL teams are starting to take shape for both the Junior High and High School. Junior High will compete in December, and the High School competition will take place during the spring semester. Coach Ramsey is the coordinator this year for both the Junior High and High School teams.
  - Mrs. Rhodes and Mrs. Wilson have been coordinating our upcoming testing dates and parent meetings (PSAT/SAT, ASVAB, FAFSA Parent Night and Parent Scholarship Meeting) SAT school day will be held on October 13<sup>th</sup>.
  - The high school will be selling t-shirts to honor “The Fighting for a Cure” Cancer initiative. T-shirts will be \$15 each. The deadline to order is Tuesday, September 21<sup>st</sup>.
4. Eddy Jezisek presented an update on accountability results for 2021.
5. Dr. Kennedy presented the athletic director’s report. She gave an update on the progress of athletics. The district athletic programs are doing well.
6. Superintendent’s Report
- a. Dr. Kennedy thanked the teachers and administrators for working so hard especially during COVID-19.
  - b. She said Good Luck to all our students who are participating in the Washington County Fair this week.
  - c. She also announced that the Champion Drive will be held on Thursday at the Washington County Fair.
  - d. Dr. Kennedy stated that the COVID-19 dashboard is up and running. She gave a brief update on COVID-19 cases within the district.
  - e. Dr. Kenney passed out flyers with bond information and discussed information on the flyers with the board. Bond information boards will be coming soon. Messaging is going out on social media regarding the upcoming bond election.
  - f. The next regular school board meeting is scheduled for October 11, 2021.
7. A motion was made by Ms. Putnam and seconded by Mr. Colvin to approve the consent agenda as presented. Motion passed 4-0.
8. A motion was made by Mr. Colvin and seconded by Ms. Putnam to approve a joint election agreement with Washington County. Motion passed 4-0.

9. A motion was made by Mr. Harmel and seconded by Mr. Colvin to appoint the following election officials:

Precincts 410, 413, & 208          Burton Community Center  
Election Judge – Gail Stanley  
Alternate Election Judge and Clerk – Sharon Chapman  
Clerk – Bertha Upshaw

Precincts 311, 312          St. Peter's Lutheran Church  
Election Judge – Ruth Schulenberg  
Alternate Election Judge and Clerk – Stephanie Jarvis  
Clerk – Susan Kiel

Early Voting Clerk – Tracie Ely  
Deputy Early Voting Clerk – Dana Moreno

This motion also appoints Gail Stanley – Election Judge, Sharon Chapman – Alternate Election Judge and Clerk, and Bertha Upshaw – Clerk to serve as the Early Voting Ballot Board. Motion passed 4-0.

10. The board discussed the student transfer policy. The district has accepted 119 student transfers for the 2021-2022 school year. The district can accept or deny student transfers. Approximately, \$11,000 per student is received by the district. If the district did not accept these transfers, approximately \$1,300,000 more would be sent back to the state.
11. A motion was made by Mrs. Lucherker and seconded by Ms. Putnam to adjourn at 6:43 p.m. Motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

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Secretary

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President