

LITTLE AXE BOARD OF EDUCATION  
SPECIAL MEETING  
MINUTES  
MARCH 28, 2018

The Little Axe Board of Education met in special session, Wednesday, March 28, 2018 in the Administration Building meeting room. Cathey Miller, Board Clerk, posted the agenda and meeting notices between 1-5 p.m. Tuesday, March 27, 2018. The President, Beverly Felton, called the meeting to order. Roll call was made with the following members present:

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| Beverly Felton – President      | Rickey Gourley - Member |
| Tessa Proffitt – Vice President | Al Heitkamper- Member   |

Let the minutes reflect Tommy Hamilton was absent and there was a quorum.

FLAG SALUTE

Mrs. Felton led the flag salute.

RECOGNITION OF VISITORS

Brendon Thomas said he would like to be in school because he doesn't have time to waste, and would like to get done and get on with his life. He said he and some of his peers will be going to college and some are going to the military.

Tyler Trott said she absolutely agrees that the teachers need raises and the school needs funding but this walkout is hurting the high school students who are going to college. She also said the walkout is affecting the AP classes and AP tests; if students are not in school they are not learning.

Mr. Bounds was asked by Mr. Colby to speak for him because he could not be here and he depends on his check from the school to support his family. Mr. Bounds also said AP Teachers need time to teach for AP Testing, and he 100% supports funding for education but feels the timing is not right for the teachers to walkout. He would like to see 3 to 5 teacher from each site to delegate for Little Axe so our students can be in class and the school be represented.

REQUEST

Discussion of possible April 2, 2018 Teacher Walkout

Authorize/not authorize Superintendent Thomas to release school if it is evident that sufficient staff will not be present to care for students.

On motion by Mr. Heitkamper and seconded by Ms. Proffitt, the board voted to Authorize Superintendent Thomas to release school if it is evident that sufficient staff will not be present to care for students.

Mr. Heitkamper- aye

Ms. Proffitt –aye

Mr. Gourley –aye

Ms. Felton - aye

Discussion and possible action of possible scenarios of school dismissal/return in the event of a school walkout.

Mr. Thomas said if he dismisses school we would let public know by announcing it on the local news channels, on Facebook, and through our push text system.

The board asked Mr. Thomas to let the public know by Friday at noon if he is dismissing school for Monday of next week. If the walkout lasts longer the board gave Mr. Thomas authority to dismiss as needed and let the public know on Saturday's by 10:00 a.m. and Tuesday's by 5:00 p.m. if releasing for 2 days at a time.

ADJOURNMENT

On motion by Mr. Heitkamper and seconded by Ms. Proffitt, the board voted to adjourn at 7:30 p.m.

Mr. Heitkamper- aye

Ms. Proffitt –aye

Mr. Gourley –aye

Ms. Felton - aye

Respectfully submitted,



Cathey Miller  
Board Clerk

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

