

**Minutes of Regular Meeting
Board of Trustees
Monday, April 11, 2022**

A Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees was held on Monday, April 11, 2022, beginning at 6:00 PM, in the Board Room of the Administration Building, 200 North College Street, Stanton, Texas 79782.

1. Call meeting to order and establish quorum

At 6:05 p.m., Mr. Louder called the meeting to order and established a quorum. Mrs. Cook was absent.

2. Public Comments / Open Forum / Student Recognition

No public comment was given.

3. Consent Agenda

- A. Board Minutes
- B. Monthly Finance Report
- C. Budget Amendments
- D. Quarterly Investment Report

Mr. Holland reviewed the quarterly investments report. Mr. Holland presented a cash summary as of March 31, 2022, an investment report to include current CD's, a report from Texas Class, and a report from TexPool. Mr. Holland said a slight increase in interest rates was having a positive effect on overall interest income for the District. Mr. Graham made a motion to approve the consent agenda items as presented except for payment to Amanda Louder. Mrs. Carson seconded the motion and the motion was approved 4-0-2 with Mr. Franklin and Mrs. Allred abstaining. Mr. Graham made a motion to approve payment to Amanda Louder. Mr. Franklin seconded the motion and the motion was approved 5-0-1 with Mr. Louder abstaining.

4. Administrative Reports

Mr. Holland reviewed the monthly Blue Cross Blue Shield insurance report, state aid through the 5th six weeks, current 2021-2022 revenue and expenditures to date, and spoke briefly about the possibility of a tax ratification to approve three additional cents to the maintenance and operations budget. Mrs. McCown, assistant superintendent, provided information on elementary and middle school benchmark data as well as current kindergarten through third grade tiered reading scores. Mrs. Ruiz, middle school principal, and Mrs. Miller, elementary principal, discussed intervention plans for their campuses related to recent benchmark testing.

5. Deliberation and Possible Action Regarding the 2022-2023 EMAT Instructional Materials and TEKS Certification

Mrs. McCown presented the 2022-2023 Allotment and TEKS Certification Form. Mrs. McCown reviewed information submitted by the District regarding curriculum materials used to covers the Texas Essential Knowledge and Skills as well as any supplemental materials currently being used by the District. Mr. Graham made a motion to approve the 2022-2023 EMAT Instructional Materials and TEKS Certification as presented. Mr. Franklin seconded the motion and the motion was approved 6-0.

6. Approve 2022-2023 School Calendar

Dr. Brandon presented staff survey results for two 2022-2023 school calendars. Dr. Brandon highlighted the differences in the calendars as well as conversations held with the District Leadership Team during calendar development. Mr. Reyes made a motion to approve the designated 2022-2023 school calendar as presented. Mr. Graham seconded the motion and the motion was approved 6-0.

7. Deliberation and Possible Action to Approve the TASB Risk Management Fund Interlocal Participation Agreement

Dr. Brandon reviewed his conversation with TASB regarding the interlocal participation agreement. Mr. Reyes made a motion to approve the TASB Risk Management Fund Interlocal Agreement as presented. Mr. Franklin seconded the motion and the motion was approved 6-0.

8. Deliberation and Possible Action to Replace Athletic Stadium Lighting

Dr. Brandon discussed with the board a complaints regarding the baseball stadium lights. Board members asked Mr. Simpson, Director of Facilities, several questions about current lighting and estimated life of bulbs. Mr. Simpson reported estimated costs related to current lamp replacement and cleaning versus the move to all LED lighting. Mr. Simpson said he recommended approving the bid by Basin Electric to replace current lighting at the baseball stadium and clean each fixture. Mr. Reyes made a motion to approve the bid by Basin Electric in the amount of \$28,358.00 for bulb replacement and fixture cleaning at the baseball stadium as presented. Mr. Graham seconded the motion and the motion was approved 5-0-1 with Mrs. Allred abstaining.

9. Deliberation and Possible Action to Approve a Request for Proposals for LED Lighting at Athletic Complexes

Mr. Louder tabled the agenda item regarding LED lighting to a future date.

10. Deliberation and Possible Action to Approve the Purchase of a District Vehicle

Dr. Brandon and Mr. Holland discussed the recent vehicle accident involving the CTE pickup and the insurance companies discussion about totaling the vehicle. Mr. Holland presented two proposals for a new vehicle. Board members reviewed bids and asked questions about specifications of the vehicle that was damaged. After some discussion, Mr. Graham made a motion to approve the bid by Wheeler Motor Company in the amount of \$45,855.00 for the 2023 Chevrolet, 2500 HD, 4WD, Crew Cab as presented. Mrs. Carson seconded the motion and the motion was approved 6-0.

11. Review and Discuss District of Innovation Revisions

Dr. Brandon presented the recent revisions and approval of the 2022 District of Innovation Renewal Plan. Dr. Brandon also discussed the process required by TEA for final approval. Dr. Brandon told the board the final amended renewal plan would be voted on by the board during the regular June board meeting.

12. Review Annual Report of Board Member Training

Dr. Brandon presented the annual report of board member training and TASB requirements for annual training. Mr. Louder reviewed the report and found members to be compliant.

At 7:29 p.m., Mr. Louder moved the board into closed session for the purposes of personnel and real property. Mr. Louder told the board he had to leave for a family event and asked Mr. Reyes, vice-president, to complete the remainder of the meeting.

13. Closed Session (Texas Government Code, Subchapters D and E)

A. Personnel - Texas Government Code, Section 551.074

B. Deliberation About Real Property - Texas Government Code, Section 551.072

At 8:40 p.m., Mr. Reyes moved the board back to regular session.

14. Deliberation and possible action to adopt Board resolutions authorizing the District's purchase of up to two separate tracts of real property with improvements located in the city of Stanton, Martin County, Texas, and to authorize the Board president and/or Superintendent to execute the contract to purchase such real property and to take any and all action necessary to negotiate, prepare, execute and file all documents necessary to effectuate the consummation of the conveyance, titling, recordation, and closing of the two tracts of real property.

Dr. Brandon reviewed resolutions and purchase terms for two tracts of real property located in Stanton, Texas. Mr. Franklin stated, I move that we adopt a resolution authorizing the District to purchase the real property known as 901 W. School Street, Stanton, Texas, from Anna and Abraham Neufeld, authorizing the Board president or superintendent to execute the purchase agreement for the property on behalf of the District, and authorizing the superintendent and/or Board president to take any and all action necessary to complete the conveyance, titling, recordation, and closing of the purchase of such real property. Mr. Graham seconded the motion and the motion was approved 5-0. Mr. Franklin stated, I move that we adopt a resolution authorizing the District to purchase the real property known as 904 W. School Street, Stanton, Texas, from Kenneth Cook, authorizing the Board president or superintendent to execute the purchase agreement for the property on behalf of the District, and authorizing the superintendent and/or Board president to take any and all action necessary to complete the conveyance, titling, recordation, and closing of the purchase of such real property. Mr. Graham seconded the motion and the motion was approved 5-0.

15. District Personnel

A. Resignations

Board members reviewed personnel resignation letters. Mr. Graham made a motion to accept resignations from Danny Saenz, Donovan Armendarez, Graden Long, Kaitlyn Armendarez, Laci Phillips, Stephanie Mizelle, and Chris Estrada. Mr. Franklin seconded the motion and the motion was approved 5-0.

B. Personnel-Deliberation and possible action to:

1. Renew or propose the nonrenewal of term contract employees in accordance with Chapter 21, Subchapter E, Texas Education Code; renew or terminate probationary contract employees effective at the end of their current probationary contract periods in accordance with Chapter 21 Subchapter C, Texas Education Code; renew or terminate contract employees on contracts not governed by Chapter 21, Texas Education Code, effective at the end of their current contract periods; and authorize the superintendent to deliver, on Board's behalf, any required notices(s) to such employees in accordance with the Texas Education Code.

2. Offer employment contract(s) to certified and/or non-certified administrator employment applicants(s) for initial assignment by Superintendent to one or more of the following positions: central office administrator; campus principal; assistant principal; and other professional administrative support positions.

3. Offer employment contract(s) to other certified and/or non-certified professional employment applicant(s) for initial assignment by Superintendent to administration, classroom teaching, counseling, librarian, nurse, and other professional instructional and/or professional support positions.

Mr. Franklin moved that the Board find that it is doubtful whether Ms. Amber Peterson should be given a term contract and, consequently, Ms. Peterson should be offered a fourth year probationary contract for the 2022-2023 school year. Mr. Graham seconded the motion and the motion was approved 5-0. Dr. Brandon presented a list of teacher contract renewals for the 2022-2023 school year from each campus principal. Mr. Franklin made a motion to approve the teacher contract renewal list from each campus principal, subject to assignment, as presented. Mr. Graham seconded the motion and the motion was approved 5-0. Mr. Franklin made a motion to approve a one-year, probationary Non-Chapter 21 contract, subject to assignment to Mrs. Kaitlyn Russ; a one-year, probationary Non-Chapter 21 dual-assignment contract, subject to assignment to Mr. Addison Russ; and Non-Chapter 21 Professional Personnel Contracts, subject to assignment, to Mrs. Shasta Bryan and Mrs. Elizabeth Garza. Mr. Graham seconded the motion and the motion was approved 5-0.

16. Adjourn

Mrs. Carson made a motion to adjourn. Mr. Graham seconded the motion and the motion was approved 5-0.



Board President

5/9/2022
Date