01-19-2016 School Board Meeting Minutes

The Lamesa Board of Trustees met in a regular meeting on Tuesday, January 19, 2016, in the Board Room.

The following board members were present: President Sonya Raney, Ernest Ogeda, Beverly Brewer, Rebecca Gonzales, Albert Martinez, and Kelli Merritt. Don Bethel was not in attendance.

The following administrators were present: Superintendent Jim Knight, David Rodriguez, Melissa Oliva, Debbie Park, Shelly Mann, Jesse Galdean, Brad Froman, Misty Castro, Serapio Arguijo, Doug Morris, and Keith Emfinger.

Guests in attendance were: Kaylee Hernandez, Stace Hernandez, Anthony Hernandez, Martha Hernandez, Tony Hernandez, Crystal Hernandez, Raider Smith, Keziah Salazar, Irene Salazar, AJ Baler, Maria Meador, Aracy Dominguez, Mari Dominguez, Halie Ortiz, Gaby Rodriguez, Martin Moreno, Jr., Jayd Brackeen, Sonia Barron, Ivy Brackeen, Nayeli Dominguez, Susan Wilsoon, Peggy Ledesma, Jaeden Ledesma, DeAndra Flores, Deneen Bertadillo, Ruben Cardoza II, Jesse Granado, Otilia Granado, Sally Castro, Helen Vargas, Tabrina Tijerina, Erica Plaza, Mary Plaza, Richard Archer, Tyer Archer, Casie Archer, Gracie Huffaker, Rylon Archer, Cooper Archer, and Kelli Archer. Regina Crutcher represented the Lamesa *Press Reporter*.

President Sonya Raney called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Superintendent Jim Knight gave the invocation.

Misty Castro, Principal of North Elementary, presented her UIL contestants that competed in Sweetwater. The students placed first place in 4th grade Art, first place in 5th grade Art, first place in 5th grade Maps, Charts, and Graphs, first place in 4th grade Spelling, second place in 5th grade Dictionary Skills, second place in 5th grade Listening, second place in 4th grade Number Sense, second place in 5th grade Number Sense, and third place in 5th grade Music Memory. Ms. Raney thanked the students and parents for all of their hard work and for representing Lamesa ISD well.

Albert Martinez made the motion to approve the minutes of December 15, 2015. Ernest Ogeda seconded it. It passed by a vote of 6-0.

Kelli Merritt made the motion to approve the November payment for Lamesa Bearing. Rebecca Gonzales seconded it. It passed by a vote of 5-0 with 1 abstention.

Rebecca Gonzales made the motion to ratify bills for December as presented. Ernest Ogeda seconded it. It passed by a vote of 6-0.

There were no budget amendments.

There were no bids to consider.

Mr. Knight and staff presented the Board of Trustees with a gift in recognition of School Board Appreciation. Susan Wilson from the ATPE Organization also presented the trustees with a gift basket.

Albert Martinez made the motion to approve the District Wellness Policy. Ernest Ogeda seconded it. It passed by a vote of 5-0 with 1 abstention.

Albert Martinez made the motion to approve the revised District Calendar for 2015-2016. Rebecca Gonzales seconded it. It passed by a vote of 6-0.

The Board went into Closed Session as allowed by the Texas Open Meetings Act, Texas Government Code, Section 551.074 at 6:28 p.m. The Board reconvened at 6:50 p.m. No action was taken.

There were no items to consider on items deliberated in closed session.

Mr. Knight stated he met with almost all entities in the district the first two weeks as Superintendent. He presented the board with an enrollment history of LISD from 2006 to 2015 showing steady growth. He also notified the Board of a possible public funded housing unit from Stonebridge to come to Lamesa. It is still in the preliminary stages. Finally, Mr. Knight stated the LHS Renovation Project Phase III is moving along with a possible May 2016 finished project.

David Rodriguez Executive Director of Finance and Operations stated currently LISD has \$21,758,063.97 in all savings accounts. He introduced Naomi Whitby, Interim Director of Aramark Food Services.

All principals present gave their campus report.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:20 p.m.