

10-19-2017 Minutes

The Lamesa Board of Trustees met in a regular meeting on Thursday, October 19, 2017, in the Board Room.

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

The following administrators were present: Superintendent Jim Knight, David Rodriguez, DeAnn Drake, Serapio Arguijo, Zakarl Wadley, Leroy Mitchell, Kortni Nowlin, Kevin Lewis, Brad Froman, Jaime Bahlman, Shelley Mann, Chris Riggins, and Doug Morris.

There were no guests in attendance.

Regina Crutcher represented the Lamesa *Press Reporter*.

President Sonya Raney called the meeting to order at 6:02 p.m.

Superintendent Jim Knight gave the invocation.

Albert Martinez made the motion to approve the minutes from September 21, 2017 and the ratification of all bills. Rebecca Gonzales seconded it. It passed by a vote of 6-0.

Mr. Knight thanked all Assistant Principals and Principals present for all of their hard work and dedication they put into each campus. October is Principals Appreciation Month. He honored: Jaime Bahlman, Shelley Mann, Kevin Lewis, Dalia Benavides, Zakarl Wadley, Serapio Arguijo, Leroy Mitchell, Doug Morris, and Chris Riggins.

Director of Special Programs Kortni Nowlin gave a brief report of all the programs she oversees. She oversees ESL, GT, Dyslexia, and Career & Technology.

Assistant Superintendent of Finance David Rodriguez gave a brief report on the TASA/TASB Convention in Dallas.

Assistant Superintendent of Curriculum DeAnn Drake gave a brief report on the district testing. Don Bethel left the meeting at 7:04 p.m. Drake stated the scores are 20% to 30% higher from the start of school. Mr. Bethel came back to the meeting at 7:07 p.m.

Superintendent Knight gave a brief presentation of the major changes of the 85th Legislature. Knight added the Facility Committee has met previously and have set

three goals: (1)Complete previous projects that were not finished due to lack of funds. (2)Partner with Howard College. (3)Career & Technology Center. Lastly, Knight gave an interpretation of the ruling and potential impact on Education Code 34.007. Currently, there is no Interlocal Agreement in place for public schools to transport students to and from school from within the Lamesa city limits.

The Board did not go into Closed Session.

Rebecca Gonzales made the motion to select, in accordance with Board policy CV(LOCAL), Construction Manager at-Risk as the construction delivery method that provides the best value to the District for a possible future school facilities Bond Projects. Don Bethel seconded it. It passed by a vote of 6-0.

There were no personnel resignations.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:12 p.m.