

Regular Meeting of 5-8-2018

The Lamesa Board of Trustees met in a regular meeting on Tuesday, May 8, 2018, in the Board Room.

The following Board Members were present: President Sonya Raney, Ernest Ogeda, Beverly Brewer, Rebecca Gonzales, Don Bethel, Albert Martinez, and Kelli Merritt.

The following Administrators were present: Superintendent Jim Knight, David Rodriguez, Rick Berry, DeAnn Drake, Melissa Oliva, Brad Froman, Serapio Arguijo, Chris Riggins, Shelley Mann, and Dalia Benavides, Sammy Sanchez, and Stacy Stewart.

Guests in attendance were: Dawn Jones, Debra Arguijo, Samantha Arguijo, and Serapio Arguijo, Sr. Russell Skiles represented the Lamesa *Press Reporter*.

President Sonya Raney called the meeting to order at 6:01 p.m.

Jim Knight gave the invocation.

President Sonya Raney read the results of the May 5, 2018 Bond Election 678 Votes For, 373 Votes Against. Don Bethel made the motion to adopt the Order declaring the results of the Bond Election and containing provisions necessary and incidental thereto. Albert Martinez seconded it. It passed by a vote of 7-0. Superintendent Knight and Board President Raney thanked all parents, volunteers, board, staff, community and Facility Committee for their hard work and support.

Don Bethel made the motion to approve the results from the May 5, 2018 District 2, Board Election. Beverly Brewer received 227 Votes and Weldon Baker received 123 Votes. Rebecca Gonzales seconded it. It passed by a vote of 7-0.

Bernett Hernandez administered the Oath of Office to Beverly Brewer, Albert Martinez, and Rebecca Gonzales.

Albert Martinez nominated Kelli Merritt to be Board President by acclamation. Rebecca Gonzales seconded it. It passed by a vote of 7-0.

Kelli Merritt presented Sonya Raney with some gifts in appreciation of her hard work and dedication to the Board.

Newly elected Board President Kelli Merritt opened the floor for nominations for Vice President. Don Bethel nominated Rebecca Gonzales for Vice President. Ernest Ogeda seconded it. It passed by a vote of 7-0.

Albert Martinez nominated Beverly Brewer for Secretary. Ernest Ogeda seconded it. It passed by a vote of 7-0.

Albert Martinez made the motion to approve all consent items. Rebecca Gonzales seconded it. It passed by a vote of 5 with 2 abstentions.

Mr. Knight introduced Serapio Arguijo, Middle School Principal and Stacy Stewart, Special Education Director.

All Principals present gave a brief report of their campuses.

Supt. Knight stated the Summer Leadership Institute will be at San Antonio from June 14-16 to attend the mandatory training on SB 1566-Evaluating and Improving Student Outcomes Training.

Albert Martinez made the motion to approve the Aramark Food Service Contract for 2018-2019. Don Bethel seconded it. It passed by a vote of 7-0.

Don Bethel made the motion to approve the purchase of buses on a lease purchase arrangement. Ernest Ogeda seconded it. It passed by a vote of 7-0.

President Kelli Merritt opened the floor for public hearing to discuss the High School Equivalency Program. No one signed up. Merritt closed the hearing. Brad Froman Principal of Lamesa Success Academy gave a brief report of the High School Equivalency Program.

Don Bethel made the motion to approve the Resolution to determine eligibility for tax credit and a request for additional state aid for Ad Valorem Tax Credit for the Mesquite Creek Wind Project. Rebecca Gonzales seconded it. It passed by a vote of 7-0.

There were no personnel resignations.

The Board went to Closed Session as allowed by the Texas Open Meetings Act, Texas Government Code, Section 551.074 at 7:13 p.m. The Board reconvened at 7:54 p.m. No action was taken.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:54 p.m.