

Board Meeting Minutes of 08-13-2019

The Lamesa Board of Trustees met in a Regular Meeting on Tuesday, August 13, 2019 in the Board Room.

Board Members present: President Kelli Merritt, Ernest Ogeda, Melissa Cazares, Rebecca Gonzales, Beverly Brewer, Albert Martinez, and Don Bethel.

The following Administrators were present: Superintendent Jim Knight, Chris Riggins, Doug Morris and Liz Poage.

Guest(s) in attendance: David Webb and Greg Salinas. Russell Skiles represented the *Lamesa Press Reporter*.

President Kelli Merritt called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Superintendent Jim Knight gave the invocation.

Albert Martinez made the motion to approve all consent items. Ernest Ogeda seconded it. It passed by a vote of 7-0.

Assistant Superintendent Chris Riggins gave a brief update on the school security audit. He stated LISD already has security plans in place but the audit suggests that there is room for improvement. LISD is currently working on the details to make those improvements.

Discipline, Special & Federal Programs Coordinator Doug Morris gave a brief summary of his duties and his new role with the District for the betterment of LISD.

Superintendent Jim Knight stated the football field is finished. August 26th is the target date for completion of the track. South and North Elementary campuses had some renovations with new paint and new carpet. All campus cafeterias had new appliances put in. The baseball/softball field will get a new press box and bleachers with a covering overhead. TASB Convention dates are September 20th-22nd. In conclusion, Knight stated that a notice of Budget and Proposed Tax Rate to be held on Tuesday, August 27th at 6:00 p.m. was published in the paper.

Don Bethel made the motion to act with respect to "Order authorizing the issuance of Lamesa Independent School District unlimited tax school building bonds, Series 2019; authorizing the levy of an Ad Valorem Tax in support of the bonds; approving an official statement; authorizing execution of a bond purchase agreement, and a paying agent/registrar agreement and authorizing other matters related to the issuance of the bonds". Ernest Ogeda seconded it. It passed by a vote of 7-0.

Don Bethel made the motion to adopt a board resolution authorizing the district to transfer sufficient surplus maintenance and operations funds as a loan to the district's interest and sinking fund for purpose of ensuring that the district's August 15, 2019 bond payment is wholly and timely paid. Ernest Ogeda seconded it. It passed by a vote of 7-0.

Don Bethel made the motion to approve a budget amendment from maintenance and operation funds to the district's interest and sinking fund. Melissa Cazares seconded it. It passed by a vote of 7-0.

Albert Martinez made the motion to approve local policies DEC, EIC & EIA. Ernest Ogeda seconded it. It passed by a vote of 7-0.

Albert Martinez made the motion to approve Title I Supplement/not Supplant exemption for TEA. Beverly Brewer seconded it. It passed by a vote of 7-0.

Rebecca Gonzales made the motion to approve the T-TESS Appraisal Calendar for 2019-20. Ernest Ogeda seconded it. It passed by a vote of 7-0.

Don Bethel made the motion to approve Chris Riggins, Brad Froman, and Jaime Bahlman as the T-TESS alternative appraisers for 2019-20. Albert Martinez seconded it. It passed by a vote of 7-0.

Don Bethel made the motion to appoint Melissa Cazares as the delegate to TASB 2019-20 Convention and Albert Martinez as the alternate. Ernest Ogeda seconded it. It passed by a vote of 7-0.

Rebecca Gonzales made the motion to approve ESC 17 Contracts for 2019-20. Beverly Brewer seconded it. It passed by a vote of 7-0.

Albert Martinez made the motion to approve check payment to Lamesa Bearing. Don Bethel seconded it. It passed by a vote of 6 with 1 abstention.

The Board went into Closed Session as allowed by the Texas Open Meetings Act, Texas Government Code, Section 551.074 at 7:20 p.m.

The Board reconvened at 8:00 p.m. No action was taken.

Rebecca Gonzales made the motion to adjourn. Ernest Ogeda seconded it. It passed by a vote of 7-0.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:00 p.m.