

Notes of Regular Meeting

The Board of Trustees

Bloomington Independent School District

(These are notes from the meeting and are not the approved minutes. The official minutes will be taken to the Board for approval at the next Regular Board Meeting.)

A Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees of Bloomington Independent School District was held Monday, June 18, 2012, beginning at 6:30 PM in the Board Room, 2781 FM 616, Bloomington, Texas.

Board members present were John Cranfill, John Mendez, Joe Canales, John Ellsworth, Dewayne Janis. David Hoffman and Raymond Martinez were absent.

Also present were Duncan Morrow (Southwest Securities), David Thamm, Dawn Guerra, and Delores Warnell.

Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance

Board President, John Cranfill, called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm. John Ellsworth led the Pledge of Allegiance and a moment of silence was taken.

Public Comments

There were no Public Comments.

Consent Agenda

Approve Minutes for May 21, 2012 Regular Meeting

Approve Minutes for May 29, 2012 Special Meeting

Finance

Accounts Payable

Finance Report

Fund Balance Report

Investment Report

Substitute Report

After Bond Report

A motion was made by John Ellsworth and a second by Dewayne Janis to approve the Consent Agenda as presented.

The motion passed unanimously.

CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL TO REENGAGE SOUTHWEST SECURITIES AS THE DISTRICT'S FINANCIAL ADVISOR

Ms. Warnell recommended continuing to use Southwest Securities for the district's financial advisor.

A motion was made by Joe Canales and a second by John Ellsworth to approve the reengagement of Southwest Securities as the district's financial advisor.

The motion passed unanimously.

CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF AN ORDER BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE BLOOMINGTON INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF “BLOOMINGTON INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT UNLIMITED TAX REFUNDING BONDS, SERIES 2012”; LEVYING A CONTINUING DIRECT ANNUAL AD VALOREM TAX FOR THE PAYMENT OF THE BONDS; PRESCRIBING THE FORM, TERMS, CONDITIONS, AND RESOLVING OTHER MATTERS INCIDENT AND RELATED TO THE ISSUANCE, SALE, AND DELIVERY OF THE BONDS; AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A PAYING AGENT/REGISTRAR AGREEMENT, AN ESCROW AGREEMENT, AND A PURCHASE AND INVESTMENT LETTER; COMPLYING WITH THE LETTER OF REPRESENTATIONS WITH THE DEPOSITORY TRUST COMPANY; DELEGATING THE AUTHORITY TO CERTAIN MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES AND DISTRICT STAFF TO EXECUTE CERTAIN DOCUMENTS RELATING TO THE SALE OF THE BONDS; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE

Duncan Morrow from Southwest Securities informed the Board that interest rates are at an all time low. He stated that some of the bonds could be refinanced at a lower interest rate and save the district money. Ms. Warnell recommended that the Board approve the refinancing of Bonds as presented.

A motion was made by Joe Canales and a second by John Mendez to approve the recommendation as presented.

The motion passed unanimously.

Bond Project

After Bond List

Ms. Warnell gave the Board price estimates and bids on the items on the prioritized After Bond List. She recommended that they approve the playground equipment for \$30,000, the doors and keys for \$25,000, the fencing at Placedo Elementary for \$1,350, and painting in the High School Gym for \$8,000.

A motion was made by John Cranfill and a second by John Ellsworth to approve the recommendation as presented.

Discussion on where the items were on the priority list took place.

The motion failed with 1 vote for and 4 votes against (Cranfill, Janis, Canales, Mendez).

The Board re-prioritized the list.

Ms. Warnell recommended that they approve the doors and keys for \$25,000, the fencing at Placedo Elementary for \$1,350, playground equipment for \$30,000, and painting in the High School Gym and other out buildings at the High School campus for \$1,300.

A motion was made by John Cranfill and a second by John Ellsworth to approve the recommendation as presented.

The motion passed unanimously.

Update on Stadium Improvements and TSSI Gym

Ms. Warnell gave the Board an update on the budget and design of the TSSI Gym and stadium improvements. She stated that everything is within the approved 3.6M budget. She presented them with a design from the architect and stated that they are in the design phase so if there are any changes or modifications that the

Board would like to make, this is the time to make them. The Board made clear that contingency money cannot be spent without Board approval.

Technology Summer Plan

Ms. Warnell informed the Board that all the hardwiring has been started for the installation of the document cameras and some of the installations have been started. They will all be done before the summer is over. All interactive whiteboards will be done as well. The dissemination of the computer lab is also on the summer to-do list.

Consider Approving Letter of Commitment for Texas High Performance Schools Consortium

Ms. Warnell presented to the Board a letter of commitment for Texas High Performance Schools Consortium. The cost would be \$500 to join that would come out of the General Fund.

A motion was made by Dewayne Janis and a second by John Mendez to approve joining the Consortium as presented.

The motion passed unanimously.

Consider Approval of Lawn Services Contract

Ms. Warnell stated that all bids went up considerably by adding in the athletic fields. She recommended negotiating with the lowest previous bid and see what the district could include and stay within \$40,000/year.

A motion was made by Dewayne Janis and a second by John Mendez to approve entering into contract with Fleeman's Landscaping Services for lawn services not to exceed \$40,000/year.

The motion passed unanimously.

Facility and Safety Committee Report

Mr. Canales stated that the facilities have come a long way since the walkthroughs began and that he appreciated all the hard work. The Board was given an overview of the findings from the last walkthrough in their packet.

Energy Committee Report

Mr. Ellsworth stated that the committee met on the last day of school. He asked Ms. Warnell if Mr. Thompson was asked about the well being potable. Ms. Warnell stated that in order for it to be potable water, the district would have to put in a water treatment plant similar to what is at the High School campus and would have to go through getting permits and reporting through TCEQ. She stated that it will be non-potable.

Departmental and Campus Report of Previous Month and Upcoming Activities - Athletics, Business Manager, Cafeteria, Counselor, Maintenance, School Health, Technology, Campus Principals, and Superintendent.

The Board reviewed the departmental and campus reports.

The Board entered Executive Session at 8:12 pm and reconvened in Open Session at 8:44 pm.

**Personnel Employment, Resignations, Assignments, Evaluations, Reassignments, Duties or Discipline
(Texas Government Code §551.074)**

Consider Employment Agreement for Counseling Grant Counselors

Ms. Warnell recommended the employment of Jill O'Neill and Toi Auten under an Employment Agreement as Counselors under the Counseling Grant.

A motion was made by John Ellsworth and a second by Dewayne Janis to approve the recommendation as presented.

The motion passed unanimously.

Consider Teacher Resignation

Ms. Warnell recommended that the Board accept the resignation of Tracie Depine as Middle School Teacher for the 2012-2013 school year.

A motion was made by Dewayne Janis and a second by John Mendez to approve the recommendation as presented.

The motion passed unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 8:45 pm.