

Minutes of Regular Meeting

The Board of Trustees Bloomington Independent School District

A Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees of Bloomington Independent School District was held Monday, February 17, 2014, beginning at 6:30 PM in the Board Room, 2781 FM 616, Bloomington, Texas.

Board members present were Joe Canales, John Mendez, Gil Gonzalez, Raymond Martinez, John Ellsworth and Bacilio Cantu. Dewayne Janis was absent.

Others present were Duncan Morrow, Layne Elkins, James Pieper, Glenda Mendez and family, Priscilla Canales and family, Tristan Carpenter, Doug Fleeman, Tom Rehak, Sydney King and family, Edna Salinas, Misty Brasfield, David Thamm, Dawn Guerra and Delores Warnell.

1. Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance

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

2. Public Comments

There were no public comments.

3. Consent Agenda

A. Approve Minutes for January 13, 2014 Regular Meeting

B. Approve Minutes for January 21, 2014 Special Meeting

C. Finance

1. Accounts Payable

2. Finance Report

3. Investment Report

4. Substitute Report

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

A motion was made by John Ellsworth and a second by John Mendez to accept the Consent Agenda as presented.

The motion passed unanimously.

4. Recognize Student of the Month

James Pieper recognized Sydney King as student of the month for February.

5. Recognize Shining Star Student

James Pieper recognized Alexis Canales for Shining Star Student.

6. Recognize Academic All State Athletic Students

Layne Elkins recognized Tristan Carpenter and John Mendez III for academic all state athletic students.

7. Stadium Improvements and TSSI Gym

Tom Rehak updated the Board on the progress of the gym and presented pictures. He reported the 30 day forecast to the board. The Board asked him to check on whether the gym would have telescoping or fixed seating.

8. Consideration of bids relating to the sale of obligations designated as "Bloomington Independent School District Limited Maintenance Tax Notes, series 2014"

Consideration and approval of financial advisor's recommendation concerning this matter and other matters in connection therewith

9. Consideration and approval of a resolution by the Board of Trustees of the Bloomington Independent School District authorizing the issuance of obligations designated as "Bloomington Independent School Limited Maintenance Tax Notes, Series 2014", Making provision for the payment thereof by the annual levy of the district's maintenance and operations and ad valorem taxes; providing the terms and conditions of said obligations and resolving other matters incident and relating to the issuance, payment, security, sale and delivery of said obligations; authorizing the execution of a paying agent/registrar agreement and a purchase and investment letter; authorizing the payment of professional fees relating to this financial transaction; complying with the letter of representations with the depository trust company; authorizing the execution of any necessary engagement agreements with the district's financial advisors and/or bond counsel; and providing an effective date

Duncan Morrow presented information on the limited maintenance tax note. Six bids were received. They recommend that the district go with TIB with a locked in fixed interest rate of 2.39% for 10 years. He said that the district has the option to pay it off early. The district would begin paying towards the principal beginning 2-15-2015.

A motion was made by John Ellsworth and a second by Gil Gonzalez to approve the financial advisor's recommendation concerning the acceptance of bids relating to the sale of obligations designated as "Bloomington Independent School District Limited Maintenance Tax Notes, Series 2014 and the related resolution.

The motion passed with 5 votes for and 1 vote against (Cantu).

10. Technology Update - David Thamm

David Thamm reported to the Board the progress of technology initiatives in the district. He stated that we have upgraded the primary server, replaced computers district wide and upgraded the district internet speed to 50 mb/sec. We still need to upgrade computers to Windows 7, purchase more interactive white boards, replace the intercom system at BMS/BHS, and begin migration of security camera system to IP platform, which can be

managed in-house.

11. Consider Possible Approval of 2014-2015 Official School Calendar

Ms. Warnell presented the Board with the four options for 2014-2015 Calendar that the staff voted on. Calendar C received the most votes. John Ellsworth questioned why the founding father's birthday was not a chosen holiday on the calendar.

A motion was made by Bacilio Cantu and a second by Raymond Martinez to approve Calendar C as the official school calendar for 2014-2015 as presented.

The motion passed unanimously.

12. Consider Possible Approval of Out of State Travel

Ms. Warnell asked the Board to consider approval of out of state travel for a district employee.

A motion was made by Bacilio Cantu and second by John Mendez to approve out of state travel as presented with the addition of paying for the airfare.

The motion passed unanimously.

13. Consider Approval of 2 Year Extension of Grounds Maintenance Contract with Terry Fleeman

Ms. Warnell recommended extending the grounds maintenance contract with Terry Fleeman for \$40,000 per year ending July 2016.

A motion was made by John Ellsworth and a second by John Mendez to approve the two year extension of the contract as presented.

The motion passed unanimously.

14. Report 2012-2013 District Texas Academic Performance Report

Ms. Warnell presented the 2012-2013 District Texas Academic Performance Report. She said copies would be available at the campuses and a link would be available on the website.

The Board entered Executive Session at 7:35 PM and reconvened in Open Session at 9:07 PM.

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

A. Consider and Possible Approval of Administrator and Director Contracts

B. Consider Duties and Responsibilities of Public Officer

A motion was made by John Ellsworth and a second by Raymond Martinez to approve the Contracts as presented as well as extending Middle School principal to a 3 year Term Contract.

The motion passed with 5 votes for and 1 vote against (Cantu).

The meeting adjourned at 9:08 PM.