

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, June 16, 2014, beginning at 6:30 PM in the Board Room, 2781 FM 616, Bloomington, Texas.

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

Others present were Misty Brasfield, Dawn Guerra, Delores Warnell, Joel Benjegerdes, and Layne Elkins.

1. Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance

Board President, Joe Canales, called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM. Raymond Martinez 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 May 12, 2014 Special Meeting

B. Approve Minutes for May 19, 2014 Regular Meeting

C. Approve Minutes for June 2, 2014 Special Meeting

D. Finance

1. Accounts Payable

2. Finance Report

3. Investment Report

4. Substitute Report

E. 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 Raymond Martinez to accept the Consent Agenda as presented.

The motion passed unanimously.

4. Update on FEMA Safe Room/Gym

Joel Benjegerdes gave the Board an update, including photos, of the FEMA Safe Room/Gym.

5. Consider Termination of the Financial Advisory Contract with Southwest Securities

Ms. Warnell stated that the district's financial advisor, Victor Quiroga and his team, changed companies from Southwest Securities to Frost Capital Markets. In order for the district to continue to work with him,

the contract with Southwest Securities must be terminated. She recommended that the Board terminate the contract with Southwest Securities.

A motion was made by John Mendez and a second by Bacilio Cantu to terminate the contract with Southwest Securities.

The motion passed unanimously.

6. Consideration to Engage Frost Capital Markets as the District's Financial Advisor

Ms. Warnell recommended that the Board Engage Frost Capital Markets as the District's Financial Advisor in order to continue to do business with Victor Quiroga and his team.

A motion was made by John Mendez and a second by Raymond Martinez to engage Frost Capital Markets as the District's Financial Advisor.

The motion passed unanimously.

7. Consider Bids for Maintenance Tax Note Projects

Ms. Warnell presented three additional items that needed to be addressed for energy efficiency. 1) Replace doors at the Auditorium (\$10,146), 2) Fresh air exchange unit at Placedo Elementary to decrease humidity in the air, and 3) LED lighting bid – In House (not to exceed \$78,600).

A motion was made by John Ellsworth and a second by Bacilio Cantu to approve the bids and expenditures for the maintenance tax note as presented.

The motion passed unanimously.

They also asked that she look into flooring solutions and check on the coolers in the kitchens.

8. Consider LEA Determination Process

Ms. Warnell informed the Board that districts are rated on an annual basis, and the state makes a determination on the amount of technical assistance or intervention required from the state. She stated the areas that the state considers and explained the determinations. She informed the Board that BISD's determination was "Meets Requirement", which is the highest rating, in all categories considered.

9. Consider SHAC Report

The Board reviewed the SHAC Report for 2014-2015.

A motion was made by John Ellsworth and a second by Joe Canales to approve the SHAC Report as presented.

The motion passed unanimously.

10. Consider Wellness Procedures

Ms. Warnell stated that the Board previously adopted a wellness policy and procedures on April 17, 2006. The proposed policy and procedures reflects the current legislation as well as local policy and practice.

A motion was made by Bacilio Cantu and a second by Raymond Martinez to adopt the revised Wellness

Policy as presented.

The motion passed unanimously.

11. Consider Adoption of the Big Decision Curriculum

Ms. Warnell presented the recommendation from the SHAC Committee for the adoption of the Big Decision Curriculum. The Board had many questions on the implementation of the curriculum and asked that the district's RN, Amy Whaley come to the July meeting to explain the plans in more detail.

This item was carried to the July meeting.

12. Consider STAAR Update

Ms. Warnell gave the Board the preliminary STAAR results. She stated that the final scores will change when the state does their calculations. She also stated that there are areas of concern and they are taking steps to strengthen the overall curriculum, writing across the district and vertically aligning the math curriculum.

13. Consideration of Bids for Drainage and Covered Sidewalk at BMS

Ms. Warnell stated that this item was tabled at the May Regular meeting awaiting additional bids. Two additional bids have been received and was included in the Board packet. They were from 3T Construction and Superior Carports, Inc. With both bids, the concrete work would be completed in house with the maintenance department.

A motion was made by John Ellsworth and a second by Raymond Martinez to approve the recommendation of going with 3T Construction for \$11,270 as presented. This puts the total for the project to \$18,770.

The motion passed unanimously.

14. Consider Acceptance of Donations

Ms. Warnell stated that Bonnie Hybner wrote a grant for her classroom supplies and was awarded \$500 by the Retired Classroom Teachers Association.

A motion was made by Bacilio Cantu and a second by John Mendez to accept the donation/grant as presented.

The motion passed unanimously.

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

Nothing was discussed under this item.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:23 PM.