



BOARD BRIEFS

Mineral Wells Independent School District

A Summary of Actions by the Board of Trustees Regular Meeting of May 8, 2017

The Board of Trustees met on May 8, 2017 for the purpose of holding a regular board meeting. Members present were Maria Jones – President, Sunny Lee – Vice President, Scott Elder – Secretary, Donna Henderson, Laretta Poole, and Joe Ruelas.

Action Items:

1. Approved the Monthly Financial Reports and Accounts Payable Listing as presented.
2. Approved the Water, Electricity, and Gas Reports as presented.
3. Approved the board meeting minutes for April 10, 2017 as presented.
4. Approved Education Service Center Region 11 Contract for Services for the 2017-2018 as presented.
5. Approved the e-rate RFP for wide area networks be awarded to Unite Private Networks as presented.
6. Approved renewal of existing Lease Agreement with Mineral Wells Sports Association, Inc. as presented.
7. Approved Resolution Authorizing Initiation of Proceedings for Sale of Real Estate in the City of Mineral Wells, Palo Pinto County, Texas as presented.
8. Approved revisions to Board Policy FFA(LOCAL) – Student Welfare: Wellness and Health Education as presented.
9. Closed Session Items:
 - Approved employment of the following new personnel: Kaitlin Perkins (Lamar Teacher/K), Kaitlin Blackwell (Lamar Counselor), Tonya King (Travis Teacher/Skills), Tiffany Remington (MWJH Teacher/MH/Girls Coach), Hunter Pearce Fincher (MWJH Teacher/TX Hist/Boys Coach), Sarah Perry (MWHS Teacher/MH), Martha Casey (MWHS Nurse), William Grisham (MWJH Teacher/Coach) Ilona Hellie (DSC/SPED Diagnostician) Sheena Scarbrough (Lamar Teacher/1) Claudia Hale (Lamar Nurse), Brittany Sorrells (Houston Teacher), Lauren Salter (Houston Teacher), Angie Myrick (Houston Teacher), Jeffrey Huff (MWHS Teacher/Coach).
 - Approved the following contract update: Janalee Martin from Lamar/Teacher to DSC/Instructional Technologist.

Information Items:

1. Board held a workshop at 5:30 p.m. to discuss Planning, Agenda Review, Bond Update, and Hiring Authority.
2. Comments and Compliments:
 - Karyn Bullock, Communications Director, recognized the following:

4A Soccer State Recognitions.

THSCA Academic All-State: 2nd Team - Angel Terrazas; Honorable Mention – Erik Juarez, Peyton Malone, Stormie Mayo.
TASCO Academic All-State: Gabby Gutierrez, Peyton Malone, Stormie Mayo, Angel Terrazas, Erik Juarez, Jose Gonzales, Jose Perez.
TASCO All-State: 1st Team – Reagan Carter.
TGCA Academic All-State: Peyton Malone, Stormie Mayo.

4A State Powerlifting. Johnny Morales, Jace Duncan

FFA State Competition.

Nursery/Landscape: Paige Riney, Carli Fenner, James Baker (29th place team in State)
Floriculture: Brei Ruelas, Sunny Hopkins, Emma Bullock, Andrey Ortiz (42nd place team in State)
Forage: Alexa Hampton, Taylor Dow, Mason Gopffarth, Jared Singleton (38th place team in State)
Poultry: Noah Kuhn, Rachel Carter, Breanna Seaton, Hailey Tincher (21st place team in State)

SkillsUSA State 4A Competition.

Career Promotion Demonstration: Team Sierra Fenley and Claire Rasmussen (7th in State)
Architectural Drafting: Mark Cotton II (7th in State)
Technical Drafting: Weston Newman (7th in State) and Wayne Fowler (8th in State)
Gabriel Bonifacio, Justin Hearn, and Erik Juarez participated as a team building a ping-pong table and received a Superior Rating at State.
Josue Valle built a dining room table and received a Superior Rating at State.
Automotive Competition: Ty Fain (1st place ribbon), Angel Terrazas (1st place ribbon), Trace Coe (Honorable Mention)

4A UIL Academic Team State Meet.

Calculator Applications: Kate Gilbreath (18th)
Social Studies: Tyler Fowler (7th), Zach Collins (14th), Brady Huseman (25th), Brandon Williams (24th). Team finished 4th in State. Michael Riggins also qualified in Social Studies but was unable to attend.

Globals - DI.

MWHS Destination Imagination Team competed at state competition in Lubbock on April 8. The State of Texas affiliate is the largest DI affiliate and only about 3% of approximately 4000 teams across the State advance to the Global competition. MWHS team *Twenty One Vikings* (Engineering Challenge) will be advancing to Global competition at Knoxville, Tennessee in May. Team members: Kate Gilbreath, Noah Kuhn, Caleb Wise, Raelynn Westbrook.

TMSCA – Texas Math and Science Coaches Association State Meet. 6th Place Team Overall
Number Sense – 5th place Team: K'yondric Cotton (9th), Noah Kuhn (2nd), Manuel Garcia (5th).
Calculator – 6th place Team: K'yondric Cotton (10th), Kate Gilbreath (8th), Noah Kuhn (6th), Manuel Garcia (9th)
Math – 8th place Team: Noah Kuhn (8th)
Science – 9th place Team: Noah Kuhn (8th)
TOP GUN AWARD: Sophomore – Noah Kuhn.

- John Kuhn, Superintendent, spoke briefly about the Multi-Cultural Block Party and presented a video from the event. The block party, described as a huge success, was held at the Lamar campus with lots of food, entertainment, vendors, games, informational booths, and many participants.
 - John Kuhn recognized Della Enriquez as winner of the Brad Jones Insurance Agency Teacher Recognition Contest and announced that she was awarded \$100 in classroom supplies. A special thanks to Brad Jones Insurance Agency for their recognition of our hard-working teachers.
 - John Kuhn recognized the Travis Art Department and called on Travis art teachers, Skipper Bennett and Debra Strandberg, to share about the latest art project... the horses. Mr. Bennett and Ms. Strandberg shared a video and explained that this was a year-long project for the 2016-2017 Travis Advanced Art Team. It began by studying American sculptor, Deborah Butterfield, and her horses. Ms. Butterfield is known for her sculptures of horses made from pieces of wood and other found objects. Following a field trip to Amon Carter to view art, photos and sculptures of horses, the advanced art team began their own works of art. Their completed projects have been on display on the front lawn of Travis Elementary and will remain through May 19. As an added bonus, Travis has been invited to write about their art program for a national magazine.
 - John Kuhn read and presented a Proclamation for MWISD Alumnus of Distinction to Adrian D'mitri Colbert. Adrian, former student/Ram athlete and recently drafted into the National Football League by the San Francisco 49ers, returned to Mineral Wells and visited teachers and students, sharing words of encouragement and building pride among our student body.
 - John Kuhn shared a brief STAAR Shout Out to MWISD Students video from some of their biggest fans: Mineral Wells Fire Department, Mineral Wells Police Department, former Ram and now San Francisco 49er, Adrian D'mitri Colbert, Channel 8 News Team, and former student and Grammy Award winner, Shane McAnally.
3. Maria Jones, Board President, reported that board members will be attending the Summer Leadership Institute in Fort Worth, Texas, June 22-24, to get continuing education hours.
 4. John Kuhn, Superintendent, reported that although PK, 2nd, 5th, and 11th grade enrollment was up, the district average enrollment is down 23 from last year.
 5. Randy Marshall, Transportation Director, presented information on transportation changes for 2017-2018.

Information:

The Board received calendars for May and June.

Next Regular Meeting will be on June 12, 2017

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