

**ALEDO INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
REGULAR MEETING
August 21, 2017**

MINUTES

BOARD MEETING

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Aledo Independent School District was held on Monday, August 21, 2017, beginning at 6:00 P.M. in the Aledo I.S.D. Board Room with the following members present: President Jay Stringer, Secretary Jennifer Loftin, Bobby J Rigues, Forrest Collins, Julie Turner, and Dr. David Tillman. Vice President Hoyt Harris arrived at 6:08 p.m.

AGENDA

President Jay Stringer called the meeting to order at 6:04 P.M.

President Jay Stringer determined a quorum was present at this time.

Boy Scout Troop 1099 led everyone in the pledge of allegiance to the United States Flag.

At 6:07 p.m., the Board was called to executive session by President Jay Stringer, after citing Texas Government Code Section 551.076, Real Property, Location of Middle School No. 2 and Location of Elementary No. 6.

The meeting was declared in open session by President Jay Stringer, at 7:08 p.m. with no action taken.

President Jay Stringer led everyone in the pledges of allegiance to the United States and Texas Flags.

A moment of silent prayer or reflection was observed.

Dr. Derek Citty, Superintendent, announced upcoming district events, reported on convocation, and stated that Rick Herrin, Director of Communications, will be bringing a communication plan report in September.

Denise Dugger, Executive Director of Professional Development and Accountability, gave an overview of the District Accountability Ratings that were released on Tuesday, August 15 and told Trustees a full report will be presented at the September meeting.

Dr. Citty, Superintendent, introduced Leslee Barnes, Social Studies Specialist, Staci Hammer, ELA Specialist, and Kacy Mitchell, Instructional Technology Specialist and welcomed them all to Aledo ISD.

Lynn McKinney, Deputy Superintendent, and Trustee Julie Turner recognized Terry Snow, Science teacher at Aledo Middle School for being a Texas State Finalist for the Presidential Award of Excellence in Mathematics and Science Teaching.

Shawn Callaway, Executive Director of the Aledo ISD Education Foundation, announced \$265,000 was given to the District this past year and the Foundation had set their goal next year for \$289,000. Shawn explained to Trustees a new grant that is available this year, Fast Cash Grant, along with the annual teaching grants and he is visiting campuses and presenting to staff.

Dr. David Tillman reported the Community Partners met on August 4, their first meeting of the year and will meet again on September 1. Community Partners gave each new teacher \$100 to spend on their classroom and also gave money to the new teacher mentor program. Christi James is the new Community Partner Secretary and membership letters have been sent out.

Bobby J Rigues informed Trustees of changes in SB155 regarding 3 hours of additional Trustee training and what that will look like for student achievement and Forrest Collins spoke concerning HB21.

President Jay Stringer opened the floor for Public Comment. Robert Cox spoke about the budget, Mike Olcott spoke concerning the M&O tax rate, Anna Golden suggested language for the bond proposition, Jessica Brown spoke concerning the Superintendent contract and the bond election, Ella Bullock spoke about the bond, test scores and Superintendent contract, Mike Herring spoke about the bond, Jennifer Steward addressed property tax increases, and Mike Brasovan gave options for the growing student population.

A motion was made by Bobby J Rigues, seconded by Jennifer Loftin to approve the July 17, 2017 board minutes, monthly financial reports, agreement for attendance credits, instructional and athletic supplies vendor list, the 2017 – 2018 hazardous routes (attachment A), Tarrant County 4-H resolution, timeline for accelerated instruction waiver, teacher data portal waiver, and the 2017-2018 adult meal prices as presented.

Motion was: **7** FOR
 0 AGAINST

Jay Stringer introduced the Administrative Reports:

~2015 Bond Update – Walsh Elementary – Earl Husfeld, CFO, and Mike Trammell Buford-Thompson Construction, updated the board on completion of Walsh Elementary.

~2016-2017 Parent/Teacher Survey Report – Lynn McKinney, Deputy Superintendent, presented the results of the survey. Questions were asked and answered.

~2017-2018 Budget Update – Earl Husfeld, CFO, reviewed the 2017-2018 budget along with the proposed summary cost estimate, hiring schedule and proposed pay plans for exempt and nonexempt pay groups using TASB Model 3.

A recess was called at 8:53 p.m. The meeting reconvened at 9:01 p.m.

President Jay Stringer introduced Action Items:

A motion was made by Bobby J Rigues, seconded by Dr. David Tillman, to approve FEB (XHIBIT) – Resolution of the Board to delegate the approval of off-campus activities to the Superintendent for attendance accounting purposes as presented by administration.

Motion was: **7** FOR
 0 AGAINST

A motion was made by Dr. David Tillman, seconded by Forrest Collins, to use roof top units instead of geothermal on middle school no.2. No vote was taken.

A motion was made by Dr. David Tillman, seconded by Forrest Collins, to amend his motion to read to reduce the cost by \$1,000,000 of the proposed bond probable cost of Middle School No. 2 to re-evaluate the energy cost of roof top units compared to geothermal.

Motion was: **2** FOR
 5 AGAINST

A motion was made by Bobby J Rigues, seconded by Hoyt Harris, to approve transferring \$1,000,000 to the program and design contingency line item and removing the \$1,000,000 amount estimated for the synthetic turf line item as presented by administration.

Motion was: **7** FOR
 0 AGAINST

A motion was made by Forrest Collins, seconded by Jennifer Loftin to nominate Bobby J Rigues as a delegate to the Advocacy Institute Conference.

Motion was: **7** FOR
 0 AGAINST

A motion was made by Forrest Collins, seconded by Julie Turner to amend Board Policy BED(LOCAL) to extend time allotted for public comment to 60 minutes.

Motion was: **7** FOR
 0 AGAINST

A motion was made by Jay Stringer, seconded by Hoyt Harris to call a bond election on November 7, 2017 with two propositions; Proposition 1 for \$64,190,00 and Proposition 2 for \$8,760 totaling \$72,950,000.

Motion was: **7** FOR
 0 AGAINST

At 10:10 p.m., the Board was called to executive session by President Jay Stringer, after citing Texas Government Code Section 551.074 Personnel, Superintendent Contract.

The meeting was declared in open session by President Jay Stringer, at 11:45 p.m. with no action taken.

Trustee Comments/Acknowledgments – Lots of hard work, good meeting, interesting process to go through this bond, lots of great conversation, we are moving forward.

President Jay Stringer adjourned the meeting at 11:47 p.m.

SECRETARY _____ **PRESIDENT** _____

APPROVED _____, **2017.**