BISD BOARD MEETING MINUTES JANUARY 25, 2024

REGULAR BOARD MEETING

1. Meeting was called to order by President Sarah Buenger at 5:30pm with all in attendance.

2. Invocation was provided by Daniel Symm, BJHS Principal

3. Pledge of Allegiance

4. OPEN FORUM/COMMUNICATIONS
   There were no public comments made.

5. PRESENTATIONS/RECOGNITIONS
   A. West End Campus Spotlight was presented by Dr. Tony Hancock, Principal and Student Leaders from the West End including Konnr Klump, Ford Savelle, Ethan Schumann, Willow Marek, Campbell Witte, McCre Wade who shared insights into what they love and are proud of at West End Elementary with several sharing how they feel like one big family!
   B. The BISD Board was recognized with gifts and cards for Board Appreciation Month
   C. Tyler Okonski was Recognized for winning first place for her Rodeo Art

6. REPORTS AND DISCUSSION ITEMS

   A. GOAL 1: LEARNING report was presented at the Agenda Review Meeting by Matthew Mahlmann, Director of Future Readiness who shared insights on Bellville ISD's PTECH Program including the high levels of performance in our first PTECH Cohort for Health Science this school year and expansion of the BISD PTECH program to include education and business for the 2024-2025 school year.

   B. GOAL 2: LEADERSHIP

      1. Financial report was presented at the Agenda Review Meeting by Assistant Superintendent of Finance & Operations, Dennis Jurek, noting local revenue decreasing from last year (as a result of the $100,000 homestead exemption and tax rate compression) and an increase in state revenue (though local revenue is still the largest portion of BISD's revenue sources); Also noting a negative amount in function 81 for the month as a result of some refunds received this month in that function; Also noting a negative balance in food service as a result not yet receiving grant funds in that department; Also noting diversification of our investment portfolio; Also noting capital improvements at the baseball fields with surface filled near the dugouts; Mr. Liscka asked about plans for bond sales and it was shared that those action steps will take in February through May for approval of the finance plan, establishing a range for acceptable rates, and approving the sale. At the Regular Board Meeting, Mr. Jurek gave insights on upcoming financial bond planning and a shout-out to the transportation team for navigating the weather conditions the last two days;

      2. A Capital Improvement Update was presented at the Agenda Review Meeting by Dr. Michael Coopersmith, Chief Operations Officer noting window film is complete with the exception of some calking needing to be redone and West End window film delayed until new windows are installed this summer; Dr. Coopersmith also noted a $20,000 rebate on work done at BJHS and the Learning Center and noting that everything with

the exception of the Learning Center HVAC and Roof (which were not replaced) all now being under warranty; Dr. Coopersmith also noted coming in under budget for OBP roof replacement based on the bid received; Also noting a 12-18 month lead time for OBP HVAC replacement; Also noting completion of GEO Tech report and traffic study for the new BJHS site; Mr. Stein asked about steps to address the leaks on the Admin Roof.

3. A report on the Vision, Strategic Action Plan, BISD Learning Center, and Long-Range Facilities Plans was presented at the Agenda Review Meeting by Dr. Nicole Poenitzsch, Superintendent, noting recent advisory committee meetings, progress with the BJHS design team and upcoming site visits, and work with the Texas Strategic Leadership Committee to progress toward presentation of an updated 5 year strategic action plan;

C. GOAL 3: CULTURE -Dr. Poenitzsch, Superintendent provided a report at the Agenda Review Meeting on the BISD Culture goal noting current openings, acts of appreciation, plans for recruitment for the 2024-2025 school year and the completion of the TASB Staffing Study.

D. GOAL 4: COMMUNITY-Dr. Poenitzsch Superintendent provided a report at the Agenda Review Meeting noting current enrollment, engagement opportunities with our Bellville Community including recent District Advisory, Long-Range Facilities, and campus design team meetings and an upcoming campus safety audit.

7. CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

The following items were approved with a motion by Grant Lischka, seconded by Heather Novicke (Vote 7-0)

A. Minutes from the Regular Board Meeting on December 18, 2023
B. Minutes from the Agenda Review Meeting on January 22, 2024
C. Budget Amendments and Donations
D. TASB Policy Update 121 (See policies listed on the Agenda)
E. TASB Policy Update 122 (See policies listed on the Agenda)

8. ACTION ITEMS

The following items were approved:

A. Receipt of a $200,000 Grant from the Moody Foundation and related actions to amend the Statement of Work and budget for completion of the BISD Learner Portfolio with a motion by Grant Lischka, seconded Kenneth Stein, (Vote 7-0);
B. Action on the 2024-2025 BISD Academic Calendar and waiver for 2100 minutes for Professional Learning with a motion by Heather Novicke, seconded by Regina Gillum (Vote 7-0);
C. Action on employee pay resolution during school closure on January 16, 2024 with a motion by Jim Batson, seconded by Jared Lischka (Vote 7-0);
D. Action on GKG (Local) Policy related to Community Relations-School Volunteer Program with a motion by Regina Gillum, seconded by Heather Novicke (Vote 7-0);
E. Action on Resolution regarding employment or volunteerism of Chaplains in accordance with Senate Bill 763 with a motion by Heather Novicke; Roll Call Vote: Grant Lischka (Yay), Heather Novicke (Yay), Jared Lischka (Yay), Jim Batson (Yay), Kenneth Stein (Yay), Regina Gillum (Yay), Sarah Buenger (Yay);

Motion carries (7-0)

F. Action on pursuing annexation of BISD school properties to the City of Bellville with a motion by Heather Novicke, seconded by Regina Gillum (Vote 7-0);
G. Action to establish a Competitive Sealed Proposals for the procurement method for replacement of the chiller at OBP with a motion by Jared Lischka, seconded by Heather Novicke (Vote 7-0);
H. Action to select a Job Order Contract as the procurement method for replacement of the roof on the BISD Administration Building with a motion by Jim Batson, seconded by Grant Lischka (Vote 7-0);
I. Action on purchase of OBP roof replacement by award of the proposal to Merritt Roofing with a motion by Grant Lischka, seconded by Regina Gillum (Vote 7-0);
J. Action on bid to transition to LED lighting district-wide and the corresponding budget amendment in th amount of $14,230.11 with a motion by Heather Novicke, seconded by Kenneth Stein (Vote 7-0) ;
K. Action to on Order of Election for BISD School Board on May 4, 2024 with a motion by Grant Lischka, seconded by Jim Batson (Vote 7-0);
L. Action on Notice of General Election for BISD School Board on May 4, 2024 with a motion by Regina Gillum, seconded by Heather Novicke (Vote 7-0)
M. Action on joint election agreement with Austin County for election on May 4, 2024 with a motion by Jared Lischka, seconded by Grant Lischka, (Vote 7-0)

9. EXECUTIVE SESSION

The Board convened in closed session at 6:09pm with a motion by Grant Lischka, seconded by Regina Gillum (Vote 7-0)

10. RECONVENE IN OPEN SESSION

The Board re-convened in open session at 7:44pm

A. The Board took action to approve the evaluation of the Superintendent and extend the Superintendent's contract to maintain a five year commitment with a motion by Grant Lischka, seconded by Regina Gillum (Vote 7-0)

11. DISCUSSION ITEMS: BOARD REPORT

Board discussed dates for upcoming Board Meetings including a Board Training on March 4, 2024 and also noting a possible date change to the February Meeting Date.

12. ADJOURN

A motion to adjourn was made at 7:45pm with a motion by Grant Lischka, seconded by Regina Gillum (Vote 7-0).

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BOARD PRESIDENT'S SIGNATURE DATE

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BOARD SECRETARY'S SIGNATURE DATE