

# Minutes of Regular Meeting

## The Board of Trustees

### Devine ISD

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A Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees of Devine ISD was held on Monday, June 17, 2024 beginning at 6:30 PM in the Devine Student Activity Center (DSAC), 194 Arabian Way, Devine, TX 78016

**Board Members Present:** Nancy Pepper (President), Keri James (Secretary), Alixana Buvinghausen, Chris Davis, Renee Frieda (arrived at 6:41 p.m.)

**Board Members Absent:** Carl Brown, Henry Moreno (Vice-President)

**Guests Present:** Shelby Spivey, Ronda Shelton, Kandy Stein, Bob Shelton, Brenden Morris, Darren VanFossen, Anton Riecher

**School Officials Present:** Dr. Todd Grandjean (Superintendent), Abigail Beadle (Special Programs Director), Juan Gonzalez (DHS Principal), Jenni Hagdorn (Special Ed Director), Shannon Ramirez (Finance Director), Geri Woods (Recording Secretary)

#### 1. Call to Order, Roll Call and Declaration of Quorum

Nancy Pepper called this meeting of the Devine Independent School District Board of Trustees to order at 6:40 p.m. and stated for the record that a quorum of board members was present, that this meeting had been duly called, and that notice of this meeting had been posted in accordance with the Texas Open Meetings Act, Texas Government Code Chapter 551. She further stated that trustees Keri James, Chris Davis, Ali Buvinghausen, and Nancy Pepper were present (Renee Frieda arrived after quorum established).

#### 2. Pledge of Allegiance and Invocation led by Nancy Pepper

#### 3. Citizen Communication

A. Public Comment for Non-Agenda Items. None.

B. Public Address for Items on the Agenda. None.

#### 4. Public Meeting to Discuss the 2024-2025 Budget and Proposed Tax Rate

Shannon Ramirez presented proposed budget and tax rate. No public comments were made.

#### 5. Adopt Devine ISD 2024 - 2025 Budget

Chris Davis moved and seconded by Renee Frieda to adopt the 2024 - 2025 proposed General Fund Budget, Debt Service Budget, and Cafeteria Fund Budget as presented. This motion Passed. Yea: 5, Nay: 0, Absent: 2

#### 6. Adopt Devine ISD 2023 - 2024 Final Amended Budget

Chris Davis moved and seconded by Keri James to adopt the 2023 - 2024 Final Amended Budget as presented. This motion Passed. Yea: 5, Nay: 0, Absent: 2

#### 7. Public Hearing on Accelerated Instruction Program

High School Principal, Juan Gonzalez presented Accelerated Instruction Report.

#### 8. Administrative Reports and Discussion

##### A. Central Office Reports

1. Superintendent's Monthly Reports on Personnel, Safety, and Board Priorities, Monthly Activity and District Event Calendars.

##### a. 2023 Bond Projects Update

Todd Grandjean introduced Bob Shelton, Architect and Brenden Morris, Weaver & Jacobs. Mr. Shelton presented schematic design plans and design timeline to the school board.

b. Consider and Discuss Teambuilding and Evaluating and Improving Student Outcomes Training Dates

Mrs. McAnelly is available to do this training in September or the first two weeks in October. The board would like to consider dates the first 2 weeks of September.

2. Special Programs, Curr. & Inst. Director Monthly Report

3. Director of Student Services Monthly Report

B. Monthly Business Reports, and Payment of Bills

**9. Consent Agenda**

Renee Frieda moved and seconded by Chris Davis to approve consent agenda as presented. This motion Passed. Yea: 5, Nay: 0, Absent: 2

A. Minutes of May 20, 2024 Regular Board Meeting and called meeting on June 11, 2024.

B. Approve Region 20 Commitments

C. Approve Donation from Devine Education Foundation

**10. Action Item (s)**

A. Chris Davis moved and seconded by Keri James to Approve the Bid from Anchor Fence for \$833,400.00 for the District-wide Fencing Project. This motion Passed. Yea: 5, Nay: 0, Absent: 2

B. Renee Frieda moved and seconded by Alixana Buvinghausen to Approve Truck Bid from Brown Chevrolet for \$61,000 as presented. This motion Passed. Yea: 5, Nay: 0, Absent: 2

C. Chris Davis moved and seconded by Renee Frieda to Approve Contract Award to Hellas Construction through BuyBoard for Track Resurfacing and Improvements in an amount not to exceed \$822,102.00 via Buyboard Coop and to authorize the superintendent to negotiate and execute the final terms of the agreement as presented. This motion Passed. Yea: 5, Nay: 0, Absent: 2

D. Renee Frieda moved and seconded by Keri James to approve the new Non-Exempt Professional Table as presented. This motion Passed. Yea: 5, Nay: 0, Absent: 2

E. Keri James moved and seconded by Chris Davis that the board add, revise, or delete (LOCAL) policies as offered by TASB Policy Service for consideration and according to the Instruction Sheet for TASB Localized Policy Manual Update 123. This motion Passed. Yea: 5, Nay: 0, Absent: 2

1. (LEGAL) Policies

2. (LOCAL) Policies (see list below)

BBD(LOCAL): BOARD MEMBERS - TRAINING AND ORIENTATION

BBFA(LOCAL): ETHICS - CONFLICT OF INTEREST DISCLOSURES

CKC(LOCAL): SAFETY PROGRAM/RISK MANAGEMENT - EMERGENCY PLANS

CKE(LOCAL): SAFETY PROGRAM/RISK MANAGEMENT - SECURITY PERSONNEL

CKEC(LOCAL): SECURITY PERSONNEL - SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICERS

CQC(LOCAL): TECHNOLOGY RESOURCES - EQUIPMENT

DCE(LOCAL): EMPLOYMENT PRACTICES - OTHER TYPES OF CONTRACTS

DGBA(LOCAL): PERSONNEL-MANAGEMENT RELATIONS - EMPLOYEE

COMPLAINTS/GRIEVANCES

EEH(LOCAL): INSTRUCTIONAL ARRANGEMENTS - HOMEBOUND INSTRUCTION

EFA(LOCAL): INSTRUCTIONAL RESOURCES - INSTRUCTIONAL MATERIALS

FNG(LOCAL): STUDENT RIGHTS AND RESPONSIBILITIES - STUDENT AND

PARENT COMPLAINTS/GRIEVANCES

GF(LOCAL): PUBLIC COMPLAINTS

F. Consider and Take Possible Action on Board Policy FDA (LOCAL)

Admissions Interdistrict Transfers to Set Tuition Fee. No action taken.

**11. Closed Session**

Nancy Pepper stated for the record that the Board of Trustees, beginning at 8:20 p.m., convened in a closed session in accordance with the Texas Open Meetings Act, for the purpose of discussing items listed under Texas Government Code Section 551.074 and 551.076. NO FINAL ACTION, DECISIONS, OR VOTES WILL BE TAKEN WHILE THE BOARD IS IN EXECUTIVE SESSION.

12. **Reconvene from Closed Session**

The board reconvened in open session at 8:45 p.m.

13. **Action Items Discussed in Closed Session**

A. Consider and Take Possible Action to Hire Professional Staff

Chris Davis moved and seconded by Renee Frieda to hire Mary Joyer-Ramon for Elementary Assistant Principal as recommended by the superintendent.

This motion Passed. Yea: 5, Nay: 0, Absent: 2

14. **Adjournment**

Chris Davis moved and seconded by Alixana Buvinghausen to adjourn. This motion Passed. Yea: 5, Nay: 0, Absent: 2

Meeting adjourned at 8:47 p.m.

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Board President

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Board Secretary