

REGULAR MEETING OF BOARD OF EDUCATION  
Stephenville, TX. 76401

January 16, 2024

The Stephenville Independent School District Board of Education met in Regular Session at 5:30 pm in the Bond Auditorium of the Administration Building, January 16, 2024 with the following members present:

Mr. Chad Elms, President	Mrs. Sherrie Evans
Mr. Donny Hill, Vice President	Mr. Ben McCleery
Dr. Robert Barberee, Secretary	Mr. Matt Miller
Dr. Ed Dittfurth	

School Personnel Present: Superintendent Dr. Eric Cederstrom, Mr. Tim Sherrod, Ms. Kathy Hampton, Mr. John Briese, Mrs. Kelly Magin, Mrs. Mica Rudd, Mrs. Krista Skiles, Mr. Victor Saucedo, Dr. Josh Holt, Mrs. Stephanie Traweek, Mr. Tom Airola, Mrs. Carey Arthur, Mrs. Renee Goodwin, Mr. Sterling Doty, Mrs. Brenda Perez, Mrs. Jennifer Salyards, Mr. Koory Arthur, Mrs. Sarah Osterloh, Mrs. Loretta Greeney, and Mrs. Norma Cervetto.

Others Present: Mr. David Finley, Ms. Mildred Bautista, Mr. Bryan Sumruld with Parkhill Architects, Mr. Eric Bunner, Mr. Bailey McDonald, Crossland Construction Company; Mr. Robert Gadbois with Owners Building Resource LLC.

Invocation

The Invocation was provided by Hook Elementary student Barrett Marcum.

Recited U.S. and Texas Pledges of Allegiance

The U.S. and Texas Pledges of Allegiance were led by Hook Elementary student Abigail Castellanos.

I. Call to Order and Announce Quorum Present

President Elms called the meeting to order and announced a quorum present.

II. Proclamations/Recognitions

The following Proclamations/Recognitions were presented:

-Chamberlin Elementary – UIL 2<sup>nd</sup> Graders  
-School Board Appreciation Month

III. Consent Agenda

The motion was made by Mr. McCleery and seconded by Mrs. Evans to approve the Consent Agenda as presented.

- Minutes: December 18, 2023 – Regular Meeting
- Review Check Registry
- Review of Additional Vendors
- Monthly Financial Statements
- Auto, Property, and Liability Insurance Renewal

All members voted in favor of the motion. The motion carried.

IV. Stadium Update – Parkhill/Crossland

A walk-through rendering and update of the stadium was presented.

V. Approval to Officially Call for School Board Election and set Canvass Date

The motion was made by Dr. Dittfurth and seconded by Mr. Miller to officially call for school board election on Saturday, May 4, 2024 for the election of trustees for Place 1, Place 2, Place 3 (full three year terms) and Place 4 (unexpired one-year term) and set Wednesday, May 15, 2024 Board Meeting – 12:00 noon as the date for the Official Canvassing of election returns, 2655 W Overhill, Stephenville TX 76401

Called

All members voted in favor of the motion. The motion carried.

VI. Consider Resolution to Employ or Accept as Volunteer Chaplains

The motion was made by Mr. Elms to revise the wording on the Resolution to Employ or Accept as Volunteer Chaplains at next month's meeting.

The motion died for lack of a second.

The motion was made by Dr. Dittfurth and seconded by Mr. McCleery to table Action Item VII – Consider Resolution to Employ or Accept as Volunteer Chaplains to next months meeting.

All members voted in favor of the motion. The motion carried.

VII. Heard Superintendent's Report

- Construction Update
- School Board Legislative Update Cluster Training – Monday, March 25, 2024 – 6:00 pm-8:30 pm @ Huckabay ISD
- TASB SLI (Summer Leadership Institute) meeting dates:

- June 12-15, 2024 – San Antonio
- June 19-22, 2024 – Fort Worth
- TASA/TASB Convention – September 27-29, 2024 – San Antonio

VIII. Closed Session

President Elms announced to those present that the Board would adjourn into Closed Session pursuant to the provisions of Section 551.071 and/or 551.086 at approximately 7:10 pm.

- Discuss Personnel Matters and/or Hear Complaints against Personnel (551.074)
  - Deliberate appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties or discipline of contract and/or at-will employees
  - Deliberate superintendent appraisal (551.074)
  - Deliberate superintendent contract (551.074)
- Discuss purchase, exchange, lease, or value of real property (551.072)
- Discuss the deployment, specific occasions for, or implementation of, security personnel or devices (551.076)

IX. Open Session

The Board reconvened to Open Session at approximately 9:29 pm

X. Personnel

Resignation:

Janet Ruiz – Bilingual Teacher – Gilbert Intermediate  
Effective: December 20, 2023

XI. Approval of Extension of Superintendent Contract and Appraisal

approve The motion was made by Dr. Dittfurth and seconded by Mr. Elms to the extension of the Superintendent’s contract and review of appraisal.

All members voted in favor of the motion. The motion carried.

XII. Board Communications and Future Action Items

Requested Communications/Discussions:

- Report on Staffing and ESSER Funds
- Discuss Student Cell Phone policy
- Appreciation Dinner

XIII. Adjourn

No further business appearing before the Board, the meeting adjourned.

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_

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Secretary

President