

## Special Meeting

### Be It Remembered

The State of Texas §  
County of Fort Bend §  
Lamar Consolidated Independent School District §

#### Notice of Regular Meeting Held

On this the 1st day of August 2023, the Board of Trustees of the Lamar Consolidated Independent School District of Fort Bend County, Texas met in Special Session in Rosenberg, Fort Bend County, Texas.

#### CALL TO ORDER AND ESTABLISHMENT OF A QUORUM

This meeting was duly called to order by the President of the Board of Trustees, Mrs. Mandi Bronsell, at 6:30 p.m.

#### Members Present:

Mandi Bronsell	President
Zach Lambert	Vice President
Kay Danziger	Secretary
Suzanne Box	Member
Jacci Hotzel	Member
Jon Welch	Member

#### Members Absent:

Joe Hubenak	Member
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#### Others Present:

Dr. Roosevelt Nivens	Superintendent
Alphonso Bates	Deputy Superintendent
Greg Buchanan	Chief Operations Officer
Sonya Cole-Hamilton	Chief Communications Officer
Christi Cottongame	Chief Learning Officer
Jill Ludwig	Chief Financial Officer
Dr. Marlon Waites	Chief Student Services Officer

#### BUSINESS TRANSACTED

Business properly coming before the Board was transacted as follows: to witness—

#### OPENING OF MEETING

A moment of silence was observed. The pledge of allegiance and pledge to the Texas Flag were recited.

#### BOARD MEMBER REPORTS

Mrs. Danziger attended the novice academy for new teachers and the Back-to-School Block Party at Lamar Consolidated High School and Traylor Stadium.

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### **SUPERINTENDENT REPORT**

Dr. Nivens shared comments about the Back-to-School Block Party and the leadership trainings. He thanked those involved in the planning and execution of these events.

### **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION COMMENTS**

There were not any public participation comments.

### **ITEMS FOR CONSENT OF APPROVAL:**

It was moved by Mr. Lambert and seconded by Mrs. Hotzel that the Board of Trustees approve the consent agenda items, as presented.

The motion carried unanimously, 6-0.

### **CONSENT AGENDA**

#### **Consider approval of Policy Update 120 and Policy Update 121 and related local policies**

The Board of Trustees approved Policy Update 120 and Policy Update 121 and the related local policies.

### **ACTION ITEMS**

#### **Consider approval of date for public meeting to discuss budget and proposed tax rate**

Ms. Jill Ludwig presented information on the date for a public meeting to discuss the budget and proposed tax rate.

Mr. Welch asked what the District will do with the additional money collected. Ms. Ludwig said that all the funds will be placed into the fund balance and then be budgeted in subsequent years.

It was moved by Mrs. Danziger and seconded by Mr. Welch that the Board of Trustees approve the date for a public meeting to discuss the budget and proposed tax rate. The motion carried unanimously, 6-0.

#### **Consider approval of proposed tax rate that will be published in the notice for public meeting**

Ms. Jill Ludwig presented information on the proposed tax rate that will be published in the notice for public meeting.

It was moved by Mr. Welch and seconded by Mr. Lambert that the Board of Trustees approve the proposed tax rate that will be published in the notice for public meeting. The motion carried unanimously, 6-0.

#### **Consider approval of designation of officer/employee responsible for calculating the no-new-revenue tax rate and the voter-approval tax rate**

Ms. Jill Ludwig presented information on the designation of the officer/employee responsible for calculating the no-new-revenue tax rate and the voter-approval tax rate.

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It was moved by Mrs. Danziger and seconded by Mrs. Hotzel that the Board of Trustees approve the designation of the officer/employee responsible for calculating the no-new-revenue tax rate and the voter-approval tax rate, as presented. The motion carried unanimously, 6-0.

### **Consider approval of Lamar CISD 2023-2024 Student Code of Conduct**

Dr. Marlon Waites presented information on the Lamar CISD 2023-2024 Student Code of Conduct.

Mrs. Danziger asked if the changes gave administration discretion when a student commits an infraction. Dr. Waites said most of the infraction consequences have been moved to the mandatory category.

Mr. Lambert asked if the District gave citations during the previous school year. Mr. Juan Nava said the District did not give out any citations because of a bill passed by the 83rd Legislature in 2013.

Police Chief Henry Garcia provided additional information regarding LCISD PD issuing citations to students.

The Trustees discussed possible verbiage changes to the presented Student Code of Conduct.

### **ADJOURNMENT TO CLOSED SESSION PURSUANT TO TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE SECTIONS 551.071, 551.072, 551.074, and 551.082, THE OPEN MEETINGS ACT, FOR THE FOLLOWING PURPOSES:**

1. Section 551.074 - For the purpose of considering the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline or dismissal of a public officer or employee or to hear complaints or charges against a public officer or employee.
  - a. Approval of personnel recommendations for employment of professional personnel
  - b. Employment of professional personnel (Information)
  - c. Employee resignations and retirements (Information)
2. Section 551.072 - For the purpose of discussing the purchase, exchange, lease or value of real property
  - a. Land
3. Section 551.071 - To meet with the District's attorney to discuss matters in which the duty of the attorney to the District under the Texas Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct of the State Bar of Texas clearly conflicts with the Open Meetings Act, including the grievance/complaint hearing.
  - a. Any item listed on the agenda
  - b. Discuss pending, threatened, or potential litigation, including school finance litigation

The Board adjourned to Closed Session at 7:26 p.m. for the purposes listed above.

### **RECONVENE IN OPEN SESSION**

The Board reconvened in Open Session at 8:13 p.m.

It was moved by Mrs. Box and seconded by Mr. Welch that the Board of Trustees approve the Lamar CISD 2023-2024 Student Code of Conduct with an amendment to the Lamar CISD Discipline Code Chart to include the verbiage "Violations of the law shall be reported to the LCISD Police and forwarded to the proper authorities." The motion carried unanimously, 6-0.

### **Consider approval of Parent/Guardian Standards of Conduct**

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Dr. Marlon Waites presented information on the Lamar CISD Parent/Guardian Standards of Conduct.

Mrs. Danziger asked if a standard of conduct existed before this document. Dr. Waites said there is similar information in the athletic section of the handbook.

It was moved by Mrs. Box and seconded by Mrs. Hotzel that the Board of Trustees approve the Lamar CISD Parent/Guardian Standards of Conduct. The motion carried unanimously, 6-0.

### **INFORMATION ITEMS**

#### **Preliminary Results of Lamar CISD New Money Bond Sale, Series 2023A, 2022 Bond Referendum**

Ms. Jill Ludwig presented information on the preliminary results of the Lamar CISD New Money Bond Sale, Series 2023A, 2022 Bond Referendum.

### **FUTURE ACTION ITEMS**

#### **Discussion of adoption of 2023-2024 budgets and Compensation Plan**

Ms. Jill Ludwig presented information on the adoption of 2023-2024 budgets and Compensation Plan.

#### **Discussion of adoption, by ordinance, the 2023 tax rate for 2023-2024 school year**

Ms. Jill Ludwig presented information on the adoption, by ordinance, the 2023 tax rate for the 2023-2024 school year.

#### **Discussion of 2023 tax year appraisal roll and new property value**

Ms. Jill Ludwig presented information on the 2023 tax year appraisal roll and new property value.

#### **Discussion of certification of 2023 tax year anticipated collection rate**

Ms. Jill Ludwig presented information on the certification of 2023 tax year anticipated collection rate.

### **FUTURE CONSENT ITEMS**

There were not any future consent items pulled to be presented as action items on the August 15, 2023 Board meeting agenda.

### **FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

There were not any agenda items that were requested to be added to the August 15, 2023 Board meeting agenda.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 8:23 p.m.

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**LAMAR CONSOLIDATED INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT**

**Signed:**

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**Mandi Bronsell**  
**President of the Board of Trustees**

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**Kay Danziger**  
**Secretary of the Board of Trustees**