

**Regular Meeting  
March 5, 2024**

The meeting was called to order by President Leah Cooper at 6:00 pm.

Members present were Jason Bonner, Tolesia Smith Davis, Leah Cooper, Rusty Mauldin, Michael Williams and Kirstin Johnson. Joey Romano was absent.

District personnel present were Michael Walker, Clint Coyne, Mike Wood, Jay Patrick, Lynn Phillips, Bettie Duffie, Cynthia Munoz, Lisa Robinson, Josh Robinson, and Rebecca Pearl.

Others present included several members of the Strutters and the high school and junior high Winterguard.

Ms. Davis gave the invocation.

Ms. Cooper led everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag.

There was no one present for Public Comment.

Campus and Administrative reports were given at this time. Mr. Walker asked Lisa Robinson and Josh Robinson to introduce their students who have had a busy spring with several competitions. They showed the board their numerous awards and trophies. The Board congratulated the groups and soloists and wished them luck in upcoming competitions. Mr. Coyne gave a facilities update stating the maintenance crew is keeping pace with incoming and closing tickets. Current projects are making progress and Mr. Coyne said maintenance has a plan in place for projects to tackle over spring break. Mr. Williams thanked Mr. Coyne for doing such a thorough job. Mr. Coyne then spoke of Ms. Stephanie Holman and the school nutrition program. Ms. Holman has received several grants that will help fund the school nutrition program. She has also been invited to speak at the annual state food service conference in Austin later this summer. Mr. Coyne then gave an update on the School Safety Grant and the status of the prospective JROTC program.

Dr. Phillips gave the annual report (22-23) related to student test scores and growth. Dr. Phillips pointed out a few high points of information including almost all areas showed growth across the district. The district also saw an increase in the number of students taking dual credit courses in both math and science. There was no need for a motion/action on this item.

Mr. Bonner made a motion to approve the certification of unopposed candidates, Tolesia Smith Davis (Place 6) and Michael Williams (Place 7) and order a cancellation for the Trustee Election to be held on May 4, 2024, in accordance with Section 2.053(a) of the Texas Election Code. Mr. Mauldin seconded the motion, motion carried 6-0.

Mr. Jay Patrick explained the E-Rate category 1 and category 2 bid proposals and the scope of work that needed to be completed. Mr. Patrick mentioned the district will be reimbursed 80% of

the cost of approved projects. He recommended awarding the category 1 bid to ETEX Phone Coop and the category 2 bid to Cynergy. A motion was made by Ms. Davis, seconded by Mr. Williams, to approve the 24-25 E-Rate category 1 & 2 bid proposals as presented and recommended by Mr. Patrick. Motion carried 6-0.

Mr. Williams made a motion to approve the 2024-25 budget calendar, as presented. Mr. Mauldin seconded the motion. Motion carried, 6-0.

Ms. Robinson explained the need for entering into a shared service arrangement with Longview Regional Day School for the Deaf. We currently utilize this service, and Ms. Robinson is very pleased with the program. Motion by Ms. Johnson, duly seconded by Mr. Bonner. Motion carried 6-0.

Motion made by Mr. Mauldin to approve the purchase of an overlay for the high school field house weight room floor. Motion seconded by Mr. Williams; motion carried 6-0.

Following an explanation of the necessary budget amendments, Mr. Bonner made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda (previous minutes and budget amendments), as presented. Motion was duly seconded by Mr. Mauldin. Motion carried, 6-0.

At 6:52 the board convened into executive session.

The board reconvened into open session at 8:03 pm to continue regular business.

There were no personnel needs.

Due to no other business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:04 p.m.

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President's Signature

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Secretary's Signature