

REGULAR MEETING OF BOARD OF EDUCATION  
Stephenville, Texas

October 21, 2019

The Stephenville Independent School District Board of Education met in regular session at 5:30 pm in the Bond Auditorium of the Administration Building, October 21, 2019 with the following members present:

President Dr. Ann Calahan  
Dr. Ed Dittfurth  
Secretary Mrs. Sherrie Evans

Dr. Robert Barberee  
Mrs. Keri Vanden Berge  
Mr. Cole Gilliam Parks

Member Absent: Mr. Scott E. Osman

Superintendent Mr. Matt Underwood, Ms. Kathy Hampton, Mrs. Teri Hodges, Mr. Keith Starnes, Mr. Shelby Womack, Mrs. Jennifer Salyards, Mrs. Amber Lemons, Mrs. Joanie Bennett, Mrs. Brittany Magin, and Mrs. Daresa Rhine.

Others Present: Ms. Ashley Inge – Stephenville Empire-Tribune, Mr. Joshua Cogburn - Huckabee and Associates, and Mr. Jordan Williams.

Invocation

The Invocation was provided by Chamberlin Elementary student, Khole Pack.

Recited U.S. and Texas Pledges of Allegiance

The U.S. and Texas Pledges of Allegiance were led by Chamberlin Elementary student, Luke Stokes.

I. Call to Order and Announce Quorum Present

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

II. Proclamations/Recognitions

-Bosque Adventure T-shirt design winners: Hook Elementary 4<sup>th</sup> grade students: Libby Post and Caleb Jones.

III. Teacher Spotlight

Chamberlin Elementary teachers Room Transformations: Joanie Bennett and Brittany Magin and students Khole Pack, Luke Stokes, Lainey Virgin, and Andersyn Boyd.

IV. Approval to move Donation: Jevan Snead Memorial Fund

The motion was made by Dr. Dittfurth and seconded by Dr. Barberee to move agenda item: Donation: Jevan Snead Memorial Fund into the Consent Agenda.

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

V. Approval of Consent Agenda

The motion was made by Mrs. Vanden Berge and seconded by Mrs. Evans to approve the Consent Agenda including:

- Minutes: September 16, 2019 – Regular Meeting
- Review of Monthly Bills
- Review of additional vendors
- Monthly Financial Statements
- 1<sup>st</sup> six weeks attendance
- Donation: Jevan Snead Memorial Fund

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

VI. 2018 Bond Program Update

Mr. Josh Cogburn with Huckabee and Associates presented an update on the 2018 Bond Program.

VII. Hear Report and Conduct Public Hearing on Financial Integrity Rating System of Texas (F.I.R.S.T.)

Mrs. Teri Hodges reported on F.I.R.S.T. A public hearing was conducted. No public comments were made. The hearing was closed.

VIII. Recognition of CAFR (Comprehensive Annual Financial Report)

Mrs. Teri Hodges presented the CAFR (Comprehensive Annual Financial Report) with a District Superior Rating.

IX. Bilingual/ESL Evaluation presentation

Mrs. Kelly Magin presented the Bilingual/ESL/evaluation.

X. Approval of Class Size Waiver – 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade

The motion was made by Mr. Parks and seconded by Dr. Dittfurth to approve the Class Size Waiver – 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade.

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

XI. Approval of Walsh Gallegos Trevino Russo & Kyle P.C.

The motion was made by Mrs. Evans and seconded by Dr. Dittfurth to approve Walsh Gallegos Trevino Russo & Kyle P.C. as attorney on retainer for the district.

The following individuals voted in favor of the motion: Dr. Calahan, Dr. Dittfurth, Mrs. Evans, Dr. Barberee, and Mrs. Vanden Berge.

The following individual recused himself from the vote: Mr. Parks

The motion passed.

XII. TASA/TASB Convention Report

Dr. Calahan, Mrs. Vanden Berge, Mrs. Evans, and Dr. Underwood discussed sessions from the TASA/TASB Convention.

XIII. Heard Superintendent's Report including:

- Erath County Appraisal District – Board of Directors – 2 year term (2020-2021)
- After School Program Agreement with City of Stephenville
- Raise Your Hands Texas Grant
- Apple Digital Leadership Initiative
- FMC Appraisal
- Strategic Planning
- Safety and Security Update
- QSCB Audit

XIV. Closed Session

President Calahan announced to those present that the Board would adjourn into Closed Session pursuant to the provisions of Section 551.071 through and/or 551.086 (Approximately: 6:38 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  
-Discuss purchase, exchange, lease, or value of real property (551.072)

XV. Open Session

The Board reconvened to Open Session (Approximately: 7:23 pm)

XVI. Personnel

The motion was made by Mrs. Vanden Berge and seconded by Mrs. Evans to accept recommendations for resignations and hiring by the Administration.

Employment:

Josh Sepeda – Teacher/Coach – Stephenville High School  
Effective: October 7, 2019

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

XVII. Adjourn

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

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

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President