

1. GENERAL FUNCTIONS-OTHER

1.A. Call to Order

Meeting was called to order at 6:01 PM

1.B. Pledge of Allegiance

1.C. Texas Pledge of Allegiance

Pledge of allegiance and Texas pledge of allegiance were led by Boy scout troop #4

1.D. Roll Call

Trustees Present: Barnes, Borrego, Mendoza, Rodriguez, Simental, Trout, Zuniga

Student Advisor Present: Gustavo Ayala

Student Advisor Absent: Paris Gastelum

1.E. CISD Vision and Mission Statements

Mission: Mission was read by Mrs. Mendoza

Vision: Vision was read by Ms. Borrego

2. BOARD HONORS

2.A. Canutillo Middle School Varsity Choir Recognition for Earning a Second Superior Rating at the University Interscholastic League Music competition.

2.B. Alderete Middle School Varsity Choir Recognition for Earning the Excellence Award in Stage Concert at the University Interscholastic League Competition.

2.C. Canutillo High School Varsity Choir Recognition for Earning the Excellence Award During the University Interscholastic League Concert Evaluation.

Mr. Reveles introduced the choir groups from the different schools and they performed for the board of trustees and meeting attendees.

3. OPEN FORUM-OTHER

Any person wishing to address the Board during the period reserved for public comment at a Board meeting must sign up to be heard, in accordance with District policy BED(LOCAL):

Each participant will be limited to THREE MINUTES to make comments to the Board.

The Board is NOT permitted to discuss or act upon any issues that are not posted on the agenda for tonight's meeting.

For further information on those policies, contact the Superintendent's Administrative Assistant.

Ryan Romero regarding his experience with CTE and Issues with the Bond.

Mr. Romero mentioned that he used to be in the graphic design program with CTE however it was taken away due to funding. Mr. Romero wanted to comment that Mrs. Andrews is unfit for her position.

Gustavo Ayala - Teacher displacement/cutting of programs. He wanted to mention that as a student representative he has heard of 4 students displaced from their classes despite teacher's accomplishment.

Bernardo Varela – Regarding Vets. Mr. Varela wanted to mention that Mrs. Barnes' students does not attend CISD schools due to lack of trust with the district. CISD community is not to be trusted.

Lilia Maldonado - Budget – Mrs. Maldonado mentioned that she is a strong supporter of the CISD bond. She mentioned that teachers wear many hats at the campus. She believes that reduction of force needs to take place at central office first. She mentioned that HR addresses teachers due to snapshot day. RIF is difficult but needs to happen first at Central Office. Even though in favor of the bond. She is against allocating 100K for the TASB trip. She doesn't believe this is an appropriate time. She mentioned that the trip is a want and not a need. District needs need to be addressed first.

Yasmin Rayas – CHS Choir instructor. Mrs. Rayas mentioned that she has a student at CHS and she wants to mention that Mrs. Martinez was advocating for her students and she was removed from the program.

Kendra Smith - Choir - she is a parent of 5 students at the district. Her time as a RES parent and AMS have been great. She mentioned that she felt a change at the high school environment when Mrs. Martinez was moved to the CHS. Mrs. Smith mentioned that when they heard that the choir program will be changed, and Mrs. Martinez will be moved to another school. Mrs. Smith mentioned that she feels like this kind of situation is what pushes parents and students to enroll in another district.

Julie Scott - Nurses and Librarians- Mrs. Scott mentioned that she is pro bond, but she wants to speak on behalf of librarians and nurses. She understands that the board will take difficult decisions. She has volunteered with Nurses and librarians at the schools. She understands that LVN nurses can not work independently however a RN is needed due to complex student needs. She mentioned that nurses already know students and are doing a good job currently. She mentioned that another suggestion was to cut librarians and leave library aides in place. She mentioned that librarians

provide knowledge as teachers, technology, ids and other campus needs. She believes students will be receiving

Isabella Medina-Vought - Documentary for the bond- She mentioned that she would like to help the Canutillo district with a current project she took over to help the district. She mentioned that she knows a teacher with need, and they did a recording to create a documentary for the bond to share what is needed in the schools. She mentioned that she believes that students need a better environment to go to school.

Charlotte Scott - Bond. – she believes the bond needs to be passed due to having and aging building as a school. She mentioned that the librarians need to be retained to attend future generations of students. She is afraid the if the bond doesn't pass the district will lose students and programs.

Jaxson Harrison - Bond – 5th Grader at JDE and student council principal. He mentioned that his school and all the CISD schools need updates/upgrades. He understands that if schools are upgraded it will attract more students. He mentioned that adults need to do what is right for the students.

Allison Vasquez - Bond- JDE student. She feels like people need to think of all the CISD students and their hunger to learn.

Alyssa Montes - Bond – 5th grader at JDE. She is worried about the bond, and she would like for people to vote yes. She and her classmates wish they could vote.

DeVenny Tamayo - JDE – STUCO secretary. She mentioned that passing of the bond will provide CISD students with a better learning environment.

Sebastian Rueda - Stucco Historian - He wants people to vote yes as a Canutillo ISD student. He would like for schools to have the necessary repairs to assist in providing a better learning environment. Safer environment, and he would like to one day be able to choose NWECHS and have the safety of a safe building instead of portables.

Mason Ancheta - Bond – 4th grader of JDE - He lives in the far northeast of El Paso but he believes CISD is a great district. He mentioned that if his family could vote for the bond due to being a transfer. The bond would provide him with a new middle school close to JDE.

Silvestre Reyes - Historical Perspective on getting an education at Canutillo - he wants to thank the board for their dedication to Canutillo. He mentioned that he is proud to

hear the voices of the current students. He mentioned that Canutillo has come a long way from when he was the second graduating class at Canutillo. He mentioned that as a veteran he understands that he fought for the democracy to vote in times such as this. He strongly supports the bond and he understand how critical it is to this process. He mentioned that his great aunt was the first Reyes at the Canutillo District.

Zanaya Reyes - New student at Canutillo- She wants to thank the board for the effort to have a bond to provide them with a better future. She is proud that the Reyes family has attended the Canutillo for 100 years. She mentioned they have many years to go and they want the community to support the schools and the students

Orlando Garcia - Say Yes to the bond – He wants to thank the board for being here and to talk about the bond. He wants to mention that there are a lot of students with much more ahead of them. He mentioned that the bond will help in a lot of different ways.

Julian Garcia - Graduating from Canutillo and Say thank you and say yes to the bond. He wants to mention that as a student he started in JDE and he started at CHS during the pandemic. He mentioned that CHS has introduced him to incredible experiences. He would like for students to come to be provided with the same opportunities he did. He mentioned that as a first-time voter he will say yes to the bond.

4. **BOARD OF TRUSTEE BUSINESS**

4.A. Budget Presentation

Mrs. Borrego stepped out at 7:15PM

Mrs. Borrego returned at 7:17 PM

Mrs., Piekarski, Dr. Rico and Mrs. Pulley presented to the board the current situation for the budget.

Mrs. Piekarski and Mrs. pulley addressed questions from board president Rodriguez.

Mrs. Borrego wanted to clarify for the record that for the last weeks it was not just about the voting to reduce force in the district.

5. **CONSENT AGENDA-VOTING**

5.A. *BUSINESS SERVICES*

5.A.1. Approval of the Meeting Minutes

5.A.1.a. Approval of the Nov 8,2023 SBM Minutes

5.A.2. Approval of the Monthly Donations

- 5.A.2.a. Board Acceptance of the March 2024 Donations Report
 - 5.A.3. Approval of the Budget Amendments
 - 5.A.3.a. Budget Amendments March 2024
 - 5.A.4. Request for Approval to Renew Interlocal Agreement with West Texas Cooperative Region 17 for Child Nutrition Program 2024-2025
 - 5.B. *CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTION*
 - 5.B.1. Board Review and Approval of TEKS Certification
 - 5.B.2. Consider approval of amendment to EPCC MOU for Dual Credit Partnership Agreement.
 - 5.B.3. Approval of the 2023-24 Program Evaluation Committee Recommendation List as Presented by the C&I Department
 - 5.C. *HUMAN RESOURCES*
 - 5.C.1. Approval of the Renewal of Northwest Early College High School Probationary and Term Contract Teachers for the 2024-2025 School Year
Motion to approve consent agenda as presented by administration. Motion made by Mrs. Trout and second by Mrs. Mendoza.
All in favor, motion passes.
6. **EXECUTIVE SESSION Meeting was closed at 8:13 PM
To Consult with Attorney Under Sections 551.071, 551.072 and 551.074 of the Texas Government Code:**
- 6.A. Discussion regarding possible settlement and resolution of M. Alspini v. Canutillo ISD; Cause No. 2023dcv1219.
7. **NEW BUSINESS (continued); OTHER Session was continued at 8:13 PM**
- 7.A. Discussion and possible action regarding settlement demand and resolution of M. Alspini v. Canutillo ISD; Cause No. 2023dcv1219.
Mr. Blanco gave update on mediation on Alspini matter. He is recommending the board approve settlement agreement.
Motion to approve by Mrs. Borrego and second by Mrs. Mendoza.
All in favor, motion passes.
8. **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at **8:34 PM** under unanimous consent.

Presented to the Board of Trustees for approval on **December 17, 2024**. The minutes reflect all agenda items in the order as originally posted and do not necessarily reflect the order in which they were discussed.