Minutes of Regular Meeting

The Board of Trustees
Leander Independent School District

STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF WILLIAMSON

A meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Leander Independent School District was held on Thursday, November 18, 2021, beginning at 6:17 PM in the LEO Conference Center, 300 S. West Dr., Leander, TX 78641. The following members were present: Elexis Grimes, Sade Fashokun, Christine Mauer and Anna Smith. The following members were absent at roll call: Aaron Johnson (arrived at 6:19 PM), Trish Bode (arrived at 6:35 PM), Gloria Gonzales-Dholakia (arrived at 7:55 PM).

1. **CALL TO ORDER AND DECLARATION OF QUORUM**
2. **OPENING CEREMONY**
   A. Pledge of Allegiance
   B. Moment of Silence
3. **RECOGNITION**
   A. Spotlight on Learning: Whitestone Elementary
   B. 5A State Finalists Bands - Cedar Park HS, Rouse HS, Leander HS
   C. 6A State Finalists Bands - Vandegrift HS, Vista Ridge HS
   D. State Finalists Cross Country - Vandegrift HS, Cedar Park HS
4. **COMMUNICATIONS / ANNOUNCEMENTS**
   A. Superintendent Remarks
   B. Board Member Remarks
5. **CITIZEN COMMENTS**
   Twenty-one citizens addressed the Board of Trustees.
6. **PUBLIC HEARING**
   A. Public Hearing Schools FIRST (Financial Integrity Rating System of Texas)

   No citizens chose to speak during the Public Hearing.
7. **CONSENT AGENDA**

   I move the Board approve the Consent Agenda items as presented. This motion, made by Elexis Grimes and seconded by Christine Mauer, passed unanimously.

   A. Consider Approval of Minutes of Regular and Called Board Meetings
   B. Consider Approval of Budget Amendment
   C. Consider Approval of Innovative Course Proposals

8. **SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT**

   A. COVID Update

   B. Enrollment and Attendance Update

   C. Vision/Learning

9. **DISCUSSION / ACTION ITEMS**

   A. STUDENT EXPERIENCE

      1. Annual Demographic Report

      2. Discuss November 2 Bond Election Results and Plan for Accommodating Future Student Growth

      3. Consider Approval of District and Campus Improvement Plan Goals and Objectives

         I move that the Board approve the district and campus goals and objectives as presented. This motion, made by Anna Smith and seconded by Christine Mauer, passed unanimously.

   B. GOVERNANCE

      1. Strategic Planning Discussion

      2. Consider Approval of a Resolution Casting Votes for an Individual(s) to the Williamson Central Appraisal District (WCAD) Board of Directors

         I move the Board of Trustees approve the Resolution Casting its 785 votes for Hope Hisle-Piper to serve as on the Williamson Central Appraisal District (WCAD) Board of Directors. This motion, made by Gloria Gonzales-Dholakia and seconded by Anna Smith, passed unanimously.

   C. OPERATIONS

      1. Consider Approval of 2020-2021 Comprehensive Annual Financial Report

         I move that the Board of Trustees approve the 2020-2021 comprehensive annual financial report as presented. This motion, made by Anna Smith and seconded by Elexis Grimes, passed unanimously.

      2. Consider Approval of 2020-2021 Comprehensive Annual Financial Report

         Duplicate agenda item, see above.

      3. Purchasing Cooperative Annual Report

      4. Consider Approval of School Naming Project Charter

         I move that the Board approve the Elementary School #29 School Naming Committee Charter as presented. This motion, made by Anna Smith and seconded by Christine Mauer, passed unanimously.

      5. Consider Approval of the Adoption of the 2021 Property Tax Roll

         I move the Board of Trustees approve the 2021 Property Tax Roll in the amount of $433,375,521. This motion, made by Sade Fashokun and seconded by Anna Smith, passed unanimously.

6. Consider Approval of Capital Project Bond Fund Budget Amendments

   I move that the Board of Trustees approve the amendments to the project budgets under the Capital Project Bond funds to close out $24.8 million in budgeted savings to Project Savings. This motion, made by Sade Fashokun and seconded by Anna Smith, passed unanimously.

7. Business and Finance Monthly Reports
   a. Monthly Bond Status Report
   b. Monthly Financial Report
   c. Monthly Investment Report
   d. Monthly Tax Collection Report

10. **CLOSED SESSION**

First Closed Session: The Board of Trustees went into closed session at 8:15 PM after the Board President announced the right to do so under:

A. Texas Government Code 551.071: Consultation with attorney regarding pending or contemplated litigation, and/or attorney client privileged matter

D. Texas Government Code 551.071: Discuss Possible Litigation Regarding Second Access Road to Vandegift High School and Four Points Middle School

The Board Returned to open session at 9:05 PM.

Second Closed Session: The Board of Trustees went into closed session at 11:49 PM after the Board President announced the right to do so under:

A. Texas Government Code 551.071: Consultation with attorney regarding pending or contemplated litigation, and/or attorney client privileged matter

B. Texas Government Code 551.074: Personnel - deliberate the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties of a public officer or employee

C. Texas Government Code 551.0821: deliberation regarding matters whereby personally identifiable information regarding one or more students will be disclosed

E. Texas Government Code 551.074: deliberation and consideration of employment of Grandview Hills Elementary Principal

F. Texas Government Code 551.074: deliberation and consideration of employment of Knowles Elementary Principal

G. Texas Government Code 551.074: deliberation and consideration of employment of Chief of Diversity, Equity and Inclusion

The Board Returned to open session at 12:42 AM on November 19, 2021.

11. **ACTION PURSUANT TO CLOSED SESSION**

A. Consider Approval of Teacher and Administrator Contracts

I move that the Board of Trustees accept the recommendation(s) for administrator probationary employment contract for personnel addition(s) as presented, in accordance with the salary scale, policies and contract of Leander Independent School District for the 2021-22 school year. This motion, made by Sade Fashokun and seconded by Christine Mauer,

passed unanimously.

I move that the Board of Trustees accept the recommendation(s) for teacher employment contract for personnel addition(s) as presented, in accordance with the salary scale, policies and contract of Leander Independent School District for the 2021-22 school year. This motion, made by Sade Fashokun and seconded by Anna Smith, passed unanimously.

B. Consider Employment of Grandview Hills Elementary Principal

I move that the Board of Trustees accept the recommendation(s) of Kristin Britt for Principal at Grandview Hills Elementary School 1 year probationary employment contract for personnel addition(s) as presented, in accordance with the salary scale, policies and contract of Leander Independent School District for the 2021-22 school year. This motion, made by Sade Fashokun and seconded by Christine Mauer, passed unanimously.

C. Consider Employment of Knowles Elementary Principal

I move that the Board of Trustees accept the recommendation(s) of Yvette Venegas for Principal at Knowles Elementary School 1 year probationary employment contract for personnel addition(s) as presented, in accordance with the salary scale, policies and contract of Leander Independent School District for the 2021-22 school year. This motion, made by Sade Fashokun and seconded by Gloria Gonzales-Dholakia, passed unanimously.

D. Consider Employment of Chief of Diversity, Equity and Inclusion

No action was taken.

12. **BOARD MEETING DEBRIEF**

13. **ADJOURNMENT**

THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES, HAVING NO FURTHER BUSINESS, ADJOURNED THE MEETING.

Time: 12:44 AM on November 19, 2021.

These minutes were read and approved by the Board of Trustees on the 16th day of December, 2021.

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President Secretary

Copies of Board information referred to are attached to the official minutes or filed in the office indicated.