Minutes of Regular Meeting with Public Hearing

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, June 15, 2023, beginning at 6:15 PM in the LEO Conference Center, 300 S. West Dr., Leander, TX 78641. The following members were present: Trish Bode, Gloria Gonzales-Dholakia, Anna Smith, Paul Gauthier, Christine Mauer and Francesca Romans. Sade Fashokun arrived at 6:21 pm.

1. **CALL TO ORDER AND DECLARATION OF QUORUM**
2. **OPENING CEREMONY**
   A. Pledge of Allegiance
   B. Moment of Silence
3. **RECOGNITION**
   A. Career and Technical Education (CTE) Achievements: Journalism, Speech and Debate
   B. UIL Academics Medalists
   C. Special Olympics Summer Games Medalists
   D. Destination Imagination Medalists
   E. Math Pentathlon Medalists
4. **CITIZEN COMMENTS**
   Seven citizens addressed the Board of Trustees.
5. **PUBLIC HEARING**
   A. Public Hearing on the 2023-24 Budget and Proposed Tax Rate
6. **CITIZEN COMMENTS FOR PUBLIC HEARING ON THE 2023-24 BUDGET AND PROPOSED TAX RATE**

   One citizen addressed the Board of Trustees.
7. **CONSENT AGENDA**

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

   A. Consider Approval of Minutes of Regular and Called Board Meetings
   B. Consider Approval of Expedited Waiver for Staff Development

8. **SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT**

   A. Safe and Innovative Learning Environments

   B. Empowered Student Learning

9. **DISCUSSION / ACTION ITEMS**

   A. STUDENT EXPERIENCE

      1. Discussion of LISD Reading Intervention Redesign

      2. Consider Approval of Instructional Materials Selection World Languages Update

         I move that the Board of Trustees adopt the instructional materials as presented for use and subsequent purchase using the Leander Independent School District 2023 Instructional Materials Allocation. This motion made by Gloria Gonzales-Dholakia and seconded by Christine Mauer, passed unanimously.

   B. GOVERNANCE

      1. Board Member Committee Updates

      2. Legislative Update

      3. Board Purpose Statement & Evaluation Discussion

   C. OPERATIONS

      1. Discussion of School Naming Process for Elementary #30

      2. Consider Approval of 2023-2024 Accelerated Instruction Budget

         I move that the Board of Trustees approve $295,043 of the 2023-2024 proposed budget to be utilized for additional accelerated instruction in the 2023-2024 school year, to comply with the requirements of HB 5 from the 83rd legislative session. This motion made by Christine Mauer and seconded by Francesca Romans, passed unanimously.

      3. Consider Adoption of the 2023-2024 Budget

         I move that the Board of Trustees adopt the 2023-2024 General Fund, Child Nutrition, and Debt Service Fund budgets, as presented. This motion made by Christine Mauer and seconded by Anna Smith, passed unanimously.

      4. Consider Approval of a Resolution Committing and Assigning Fund Balance

         I move that the Board of Trustees approve the Resolution Committing and Assigning a Fund Balance as presented. This motion made by Christine Mauer and seconded by Francesca Romans, passed unanimously.

      5. Consider Approval of 2022-2023 Final Budget Amendments

         I move that the Board of Trustees approve the final budget amendment for the General Operating, Debt Service, and Child Nutrition funds for 2022-2023, as presented. This motion made by Christine Mauer and seconded by Francesca Romans, passed unanimously.

      6. 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**

The Board of Trustees went into their first closed session at 8:03 pm after the Board President announced the right to do so under 10.E.

The Board of Trustees went into their second closed session at 8:57 pm after the Board President announced the right to do so under 10.A, 10.B, 10.C and 10.D.

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

D. Texas Government Code 551.074: personnel - reorganization of the Board of Trustees

E. Texas Government Code 551:071: consider next litigation options regarding second access road to Vandegrift High School

The Board of Trustees returned to open session after their first closed session at 8:47 pm.

The Board of Trustees returned to open session after their second closed session at 9:18 pm.

F. **ACTION PURSUANT TO CLOSED SESSION**

A. Consider Reorganization of the Board of Trustees

I move to nominate Gloria Gonzales-Dholakia as president of the Leander ISD Board of Trustees. I move to nominate Anna Smith as vice president of the Leander ISD Board of Trustees. I move to nominate Christine Mauer as secretary of the Leander ISD Board of Trustees. This motion made by Trish Bode and seconded by Francesca Romans passed six in favor and one, Paul Gauthier, opposed.

G. **BOARD MEETING DEBRIEF**

H. **ADJOURNMENT**

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

Time: 9:19 PM

These minutes were read and approved by the Board of Trustees on the 24th day of August, 2023.

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President Secretary

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