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, April 25, 2024, beginning at 6:15 PM in the Concordia University Texas, 11400 Concordia University Drive, Austin, TX 78726. The following members were present: Gloria Gonzales-Dholakia, Anna Smith, Christine Mauer, Trish Bode, Sade Fashokun and Francesca Romans. Paul Gauthier was absent.

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: Cox Elementary School
   B. Video Recognitions
      1. Administrative Professionals Week, April 22-26
      2. Career and Technical Education (CTE) Achievement: Family, Career and Community Leaders of America (FCCLA)
      3. Career and Technical Education (CTE) Achievement: Health Occupation Students of America (HOSA)
      4. Career and Technical Education (CTE) Achievement: JROTC
      5. Career and Technical Education (CTE) Achievement: SkillsUSA
      6. Heller Awards for Young Artists
      7. UIL Soccer State Medalists
4. **CITIZEN COMMENTS**
   One citizen addressed the Board of Trustees.
5. **CONSENT AGENDA**

I move the Board approve the Consent Agenda items as presented. This motion, made by Anna Smith and seconded by Christine Mauer, passed six in favor and one, Paul Gauthier, absent.

A. Consider Approval of Minutes of Regular and Called Board Meetings

B. Consider Approval of 2024-2025 Hazardous Routes

C. Consider Approval of Certification of Provision of Instructional Materials Survey 2024-2025

6. **SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT**

A. Safe and Innovative Learning Environments

B. Empowered Student Learning

C. Empowered Staff Learning

7. **DISCUSSION / ACTION ITEMS**

A. STUDENT EXPERIENCE

1. Safe and Innovative Learning Environment Formative Review

B. GOVERNANCE

1. Consider Approval for Trustees to Attend the Mexican American School Boards Association (MASBA) Conference

I move the Board of Trustees approve that Leander ISD pay the cost for Trustees Gloria Gonzales-Dholakia, Anna Smith and Trish Bode to attend the MASBA conference in September 2024. This motion, made by Sade Fashokun and seconded by Francesca Romans, passed six in favor and one, Paul Gauthier, absent.

C. OPERATIONS

1. 2024-2025 Budget Development Update
2. Discussion of 2024-2025 Total Compensation Recommendation
3. Discussion of 2023-2024 Budget Projections
4. Consider Approval of Budget Amendments

I move that the Board of Trustees approve the budget transfers and amendments to the 2023-2024 budget as presented. This motion, made by Anna Smith and seconded by Christine Mauer, passed six in favor and one, Paul Gauthier, absent.

5. Consider Approval of Early Release of Critical Positions

I move that the Board of Trustees approve the addition of 7.0 teacher positions for the 2024-2025 school year as presented. This motion, made by Anna Smith and seconded by Christine Mauer, passed six in favor and one, Paul Gauthier, absent.

6. Discussion and Consider Approval of Establishing an Empowerment Grant Fund

   I move that the Board of Trustees approve transferring $2 million from the general fund to set up the LISD Empowerment Grant Fund. This motion, made by Anna Smith and seconded by Christine Mauer, passed six in favor and one, Paul Gauthier, absent.

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

8. **CLOSED SESSION**

   The Board went into closed session at 9:20 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

   D. Texas Government Code 551.074: deliberation and consideration of employment of Parkside Elementary School Principal

   E. Texas Government Code 551.074: personnel - consideration of Term, Probationary, NonChapter 21 employment contract renewals for teachers and other professional educators

   The Board returned from closed session at 10:01 PM

9. **ACTION PURSUANT TO CLOSED SESSION**

   A. Consider Approval of Parkside Elementary School Principal

   I move that the Board of Trustees accept the recommendation(s) of Kelly Looman for Principal at Parkside 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 2023-24 school year. This motion, made by Anna Smith and seconded by Christine Mauer, passed six in favor and one, Paul Gauthier, absent.

10. **BOARD MEETING DEBRIEF**

11. **ADJOURNMENT**

THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES, HAVING NO FURTHER BUSINESS, ADJOURNED THE MEETING.
Time: 10:02 PM

These minutes were read and approved by the Board of Trustees on the 23rd day of May 2024.

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President Secretary

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