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, May 23, 2024, beginning at 6:15 PM at Concordia University Texas, located at 11400 Concordia University Drive, Austin, TX 78726. The following members were present: Gloria Gonzales-Dholakia, Anna Smith, Christine Mauer, Trish Bode, Sade Fashokun, Paul Gauthier, and Francesca Romans.

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: Akin Elementary School
   B. Video Recognitions
      1. Career and Technical Education (CTE) Achievement: Journalism & Broadcast
      2. Career and Technical Education (CTE) Achievement: Robotics
      3. Career and Technical Education (CTE) Achievement: Speech & Debate
      4. Speech Language Pathologists Appreciation Week May 13 - 17
      5. Texas Association of Secondary School Principals (TASSP) Frank Kemerer Award - Michael Hjort, Rouse High School
      6. UIL Academics Medalists
      7. UIL Girls Golf State Medalists
      8. UIL Theatrical Design State Medalists
      9. UIL Track & Field State Medalists
4. **CITIZEN COMMENTS**
   One citizen addressed the Board of Trustees.

5. **CONSENT AGENDA**

I make a motion to approve the Consent Agenda as presented with the exception of "Consider Adoption of Policy GKB (LOCAL)." This motion, made by Trish Bode and seconded by Francesca Romans, passed unanimously.

I move to adopt policy GKB(LOCAL) as presented. This motion, made by Trish Bode and seconded by Christine Mauer, passed six in favor and one, Paul Gauthier, opposed.

A. Consider Approval to Call a Public Meeting for the Purpose of Adopting the 2024-2025 Budget and Discussion of the Proposed 2024 Tax Rate

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

C. Consider Adoption of Policy GKB(LOCAL)

D. Consider Approval of Board Resolution to Address Temporary Waiver of Policy EHDC(LOCAL) for Specific Students

E. Consider Approval of Texas Association of School Boards (TASB) 2024-2026 Advocacy Agenda Resolutions and/or Amendments

F. Consider Approval of Guaranteed Maximum Price #1 for the Science Materials and 18+ Building Project

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. Superintendent's Student Advisory Council (SSAC) Student Empowerment Report

B. GOVERNANCE

1. Authority of Trustee Paul Gauthier - Access to District Facilities & Employees

I make a motion to call a vote. This motion, made by Gloria Gonzales-Dholakia and seconded by Francesca Romans, passed six in favor and one, Paul Gauthier, opposed.

In light of Trustee Gauthier's continued willful disregard for the LISD Board Operating Procedures, I move that: Board Policy BE(LOCAL) be amended to include language from the Board Operating Procedures about trustee visits to District facilities; and Paul Gauthier be removed from all District and Board committees; and the Board hereby authorize the Superintendent or other appropriate administrators to file criminal trespass complaints against Trustee Gauthier if he continues to attempt to gain unauthorized entry school facilities; and the Board direct the Superintendent to notify all district administrators and supervisors that Paul Gauthier is not permitted to attend

staff meetings or otherwise enter classrooms or buildings unless he has made prior arrangements through the office of the Superintendent; and that Board Officers work with the District's communication team to deliver messaging to the staff about the appropriate role of school board trustees. This motion, made by Christine Mauer and seconded by Francesca Romans, passed six in favor and one, Paul Gauthier, opposed.

C. OPERATIONS

1. Consider Approval of Bond Oversight Committee's Recommendations

    a. Consider Approval of the Bond Oversight Committee's Recommendation to Use Bond Project Savings for Software and Data Cable Installation

    I move that the Board approve the Bond Oversight Committee's Recommendation to move $4,831,000.00 of the 2023 Interactive Panel Bond Project to the 2023 Bond Project Savings fund and then reallocate $4,831,000 to the Cedar Park High School, Vista Ridge High School, Running Brushy Middle School, and Bagdad Elementary School modernization projects fund to install digital paging/bell software systems and Cat 6 data cable. This motion, made by Christine Mauer and seconded by Francesca Romans, passed unanimously.

    b. Consider Approval of the Bond Oversight Committee's Recommendation to Move Funds into the 2023 Bond Project Savings and Use 2017 Bond Project Savings to Purchase New Transportation Vehicles

    I move that the Board approve the Bond Oversight Committee's Recommendation to reallocate $129,557 from the 2023 Bus Camera Project Savings to the 2023 Bond Project Savings fund and to use $144,000 of 2017 Bond Project Savings to purchase three Transportation Service Vehicles. This motion, made by Christine Mauer and seconded by Francesca Romans, passed unanimously.

2. Discussion of 2023-2024 Budget Projections
3. 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 Trish Bode and seconded by Francesca Romans, passed unanimously.

4. Business and Finance Monthly Reports
    a. Monthly Bond Status Report
    b. Monthly Financial Reports
    c. Monthly Investment Report
    d. Monthly Tax Collection Report
    e. Quarterly Cash Flow Report

8. **CLOSED SESSION**

   The Board went into closed session at 9:21 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

   The Board returned from closed session at 9:37 PM.

9. **ACTION PURSUANT TO CLOSED SESSION**
10. **BOARD MEETING DEBRIEF**
11. **ADJOURNMENT**

THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES, HAVING NO FURTHER BUSINESS, ADJOURNED THE MEETING.
Time: 9:37 PM

These minutes were read and approved by the Board of Trustees on the 27th day of June 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.