

AT A BOARD WORK STUDY OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE ECTOR COUNTY INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT HELD AT THE ADMINISTRATION BUILDING CONFERENCE ROOM A/B – 3rd FLOOR – 802 NORTH SAM HOUSTON, ODESSA, ECTOR COUNTY, TEXAS, AT 6:00 P.M., May 9, 2017 WITH THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS:

Present:

Ray Beaty, D.C.
Dr. Steve Brown
Teri Ervin
Carol Gregg
Dr. Donna C. Smith
Doyle Woodall

Absent:

Nelson Minyard

School Officials: Mike Adkins, Tom Crowe, David Finley, Roy Garcia, Carolyn Gonzalez, Ann McClarty, Brian Moersch, David Morris, Todd Vesely, Kellie Wilks

Others: Mike Atkins, Julia Willett-Weekly, Michael Neiman, Omega Loera, Adrian Garcia, Amy Harvey, Carla Byrne, Elaine Smith, Nancy Vanley, Jason Osborne, Rachel Duree, Marlane Burns, Delma Abalos, Mary Neff, Albessa Chavez, Betsabe Salcido, Lisa Wills, Donna Ziriaux, Sherrie Pickens, Adiel Alvarado, Regina Lee, Katy Taylor, Elaine Sparks, Mary Franco

23704 **Meeting Called to Order:** Teri Ervin, Board President, called the Board of Trustees Meeting to order at 6:03 p.m.

23705 **Presentation: Quarterly Update of Medical Clinic Services:** Benefits & Risk Management Director Donna Ziriaux introduced Executive Director of ProCare Julian Beseril, Executive Director of Regional Services & Clinic Operations Adiel Alvarado, Associate Director of Revenue Cycle Sherri Pickens, and Wellness Work Corporate Health Consultant Rachel Duree who provided Trustees with an update of the Medical Clinic services for the first quarter of the year. In November 2016 ECISD went into an agreement with MCHS to provide District employees faster and less expensive access to local clinics and care facilities. The following visits were reported for the first quarter in January 325, in February 376, in March 244, and in April 265. The MCHS representatives also reported that most of the comments they have received from ECISD employees have been positive.

No action required.

23706 **Presentation: School Health Advisory Council (SHAC) Yearly Report and Recommendations:** Health and P.E. Coordinator and SHAC District Liaison Michael Neiman along with SHAC Co-Chair Christen Abbott-Timmons presented their annual report. The committee made the following recommendations for Trustees consideration:

- Add additional police officers to Odessa and Permian High Schools

- Development of a C-SHAC (a campus-based SHAC that will operate in the same way and offer information/insights to the District SHAC)
- Steps to address the way transgender students are accommodated during the Human Growth & Development presentations which are currently separated into male and female groups

No action required.

23707 **Presentation: International Baccalaureate**: Odessa High School IB Coordinator Mary Neff presented this item for discussion. Ms. Neff described the balanced education offered by IB and talked about the courses offered and requirements. IB is recognized internationally for college admission, and is designed to prepare students for a university education. Texas' state supported universities award 24 hours credit for IB work, some schools will waive out-of-state tuition, and scholarships are often offered to IB graduates. This year's senior class of 28 IB Diploma candidates is Odessa High School's largest. Several Board members expressed their desire to see the program continue to grow and would like to see more students throughout the District recruited into the program.

No action required.

23708 **Presentation: 2016-17 House Bill 5 Community Engagement**: Director of State & Federal Programs and House Bill 5 Chair Julia Willett-Weekly provided Trustees with House Bill 5 Community Engagement survey results. HB 5 was created by the Texas Legislature to evaluate programs not tested through STAAR or other state assessments. There are nine community subcommittees that developed surveys for each campus to answer, this information will be posted on the District's website.

No action required.

23709 **Discussion of Request for Approval of 2017-2018 Gale Pond/Alamo Year-Round School Calendar**: Gale Pond Alamo Elementary Principal presented this item for discussion. The proposed start date is Monday, August 21, 2017 and ending on June 13, 2017 with three intersessions throughout the year. Gale Pond Alamo will be changing its magnet focus to STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Art, and Math) next year.

No action required.

(This item will be presented for board approval at the May 16, 2017 meeting.)

23710 **Discussion of Request for Approval of Medicare Resolution**: Superintendent Tom Crowe presented this item for discussion. Employees hired prior to April 1, 1986 were not required to participate in Medicare. There are 54 current

employees of the District who fall into this category. Due to recent changes with TRS Care, this group of employees, at some point during their retirement will not have health care coverage. A survey was sent to the 54 exempt employees to ascertain if they would desire to begin making Medicare payments. Fourteen responded, indicating they would be interested in making Medicare payments to work toward earning 40 quarters of Medicare payments. Upon having 40 quarters of payments an individual qualifies for Medicare. Therefore, it is being recommended we pursue obtaining approval by the Social Security Administration to allow the 14 employees to begin making Medicare payments. This will also result in the District making its required Medicare payment per employee. The adoption of this resolution initiates the process of enrolling into the program.

No action required.

(This item will be presented for board approval at the May 16, 2017 meeting.)

23711 **Discussion of Request for Approval of Low Attendance Waiver:** Director of Information System/District PEIMS Coordinator Heather Potts presented this item for discussion. The T.E.A. allows districts/campuses to submit a Low Attendance waiver application that any instructional days with attendance at least ten (10) percentage points below the last school year's average attendance due to weather, health or safety issues be excluded from ADA calculations for the current school year. One ECISD campus, Zavala Elementary has been identified for meeting this criteria due to health reasons on February 3, 2017 and February 6, 2017.

No action required.

(This item will be presented for board approval at the May 15, 2017 meeting.)

23712 **Discussion of Request for Approval of Appointment of TASB Delegate and Alternate:** Superintendent Tom Crowe presented this item for discussion. A part of the Board's professional responsibility is participation in the annual Delegate Assembly of the Texas Association of School Boards. This participation is a way for District's needs and priorities to be heard at the state level. TASB is requesting the Board to consider sending experienced Board members. Doyle Woodall said he would be willing to serve as the TASB Delegate.

(This item will be presented for Board approval at the May 16, 2017 meeting.)

No action required.

23713 **Discussion of Request for Approval of Field Placement Interagency Affiliation Agreement between Ector County ISD and Angelo State University:** Executive Director of Guidance and Counseling Nancy Vanley presented this item for discussion. The purpose of this agreement is to allow ASU faculty, students, or graduate students to teach educational classes or observe in the school facilities with prior approval of ECISD officials. If approved this

agreement will become effective August 21, 2017 and will continue until December 15, 2017.

(This item will be presented for Board approval at the May 16, 2017 meeting.)

No action required.

23714 **Discussion of Request for Approval of Odessa High School Boys Gymnastics Out-of-State Travel to Tempe, Arizona:** Executive Director of Athletics Todd Vesely presented this item for discussion. Odessa High School Boy's Gymnastics is requesting permission to travel to Tempe, Arizona. The trip is scheduled for May 18 – May 21, 2017. The cost of the trip will require the use of activity funds and personal funds. There will be approximately 2 students from OHS traveling.

No action required.

(This item will be presented for Board approval at the May 16, 2017 meeting.)

23715 **Discussion of Request for Approval of Family, Career & Community Leaders of America (FCCLA) Student Out-of-State Travel to Nashville, Tennessee:** Executive Director of Career and Technical Education Carla Byrne presented this item for discussion. The Career and Technical Education department requests permission for one student and one teacher to travel to Nashville, Tennessee to participate at the FCCLA National competition. FCCLA Nationals provides students the opportunity to network and participate in various activities that promote participation in Family and Consumer Sciences occupations.

No action required.

(This item will be presented for Board approval at the May 16, 2017 meeting.)

23716 **Discussion of Request for Approval of Meal Prices for 2017-2018 School Year:** Director of School Nutrition Katy Taylor presented this item for discussion. In accordance with the Healthy Hunger-Free Kids Act of 2010, lunch prices must be increased for 2017-2018 school year. Three options were developed for Board of Trustees' consideration by School Nutrition Department.

Option #1: Lunch prices of \$2.35 for elementary and \$2.60 for secondary will meet the minimum requirement. Lunch prices will be required to go up again for SY2018-2019.

Option #2: Eventually, both elementary and secondary lunch prices will be equal as the government reimburses a set amount regardless of age. Increasing the elementary price to \$2.50 and leaving the secondary price at \$2.50 will bring us one step closer to this equivalency. Lunch prices may or may not go up again for SY2018-2019.

Option #3: Lunch prices of \$2.50 for elementary and \$2.75 for secondary more than meet the minimum requirement. Lunch prices would not go up again until SY2019-2020 or later. Keeping prices on the quarter makes collecting payments and providing change faster for the cashiers to allow students to get through the line more quickly.

No action required.

(This item will be presented for board approval at the May 16, 2017 meeting.)

23717 **Discussion of Request for Approval of Roofing Consulting Services RFQ at Various Campuses:** Interim District Operations Officer David Morris presented this item for discussion. Trustees were asked to review a recommendation on a Request for Qualifications for roofing consultant services. Several campuses were damaged in a hailstorm earlier this year. Mr. Morris reported that the District had received over four million in the insurance settlement. The recommended project consultant is Crenshaw Consulting, a company that has worked with the District in the past.

No action required.

(This item will be presented for board approval at the May 16, 2017 meeting.)

23718 **Discussion of Request for Approval of Selection of Authorized Broker:** Director of Finance Albessa Chavez presented this item for discussion. In accordance with Texas Government Code Section 2256.0025, and per TCG investment advisor recommendation, the District requests that the Board approve Global Financial Services LLC as a securities broker to work on behalf of Ector County ISD.

No action required.

(This item will be presented for board approval at the May 16, 2017 meeting.)

23719 **Discussion of Request for Approval of Budget Amendment #5:** Director of Finance Albessa Chavez presented this item for discussion. This amendment includes an increase for portable moving, infrastructure, site work, finishes, expansion construction and Board travel budgets. A Net Decrease in Fund Balance – General Fund (\$68,385).

No action required.

(This item will be presented for board approval at the May 16, 2017 meeting.)

23720 **Discussion of Request for Approval of Quarterly Investment Report** Director of Finance Albessa Chavez presented this item for discussion. The report represents investments for the months of January 2017 - March 2017. The

District's investments are governed by state laws and local policies. Every effort is made to maximize investment earnings while protecting the District's assets.

No action required.

(This item will be presented for Board approval at the May 16, 2017 meeting.)

23721 **Discussion of Request for Approval of Purchases over \$50,000:** Director of Finance Albessa Chavez presented purchases over \$50,000 as required by Board Policy CH (Local). There was only one contract/purchase in May that met this requirement, Flippin Group for Capturing Kids' Hearts professional development.

No action required.

(This item will be presented for Board approval at the May 16, 2017 meeting.)

23722 **Discussion of Board Policy FFA (Local) Student Welfare: Wellness and Health Services (First Reading):** Chief of Staff Brian Moersch along with Director of School Nutrition Katy Taylor presented this item for discussion. TASB periodically offers suggested changes to local policy. These policies are being presented for first reading. All districts with at least one campus participating in the National School Lunch Program and/or School Breakfast Program must have a Board-adopted wellness policy that meets the requirements of both the Healthy, Hunger-Free Kids Act of 2010 and the corresponding federal rules, effective August 29, 2016. Districts must comply by June 30, 2017.

No action required.

(This item will be presented for second reading and board approval at the May 16, 2017 meeting.)

23723 **Discussion of Request for Approval of Order Canvassing May 6, 2017 Board of Trustees Election Returns and Administration of Board of Trustees' Oath of Office:** Superintendent Tom Crowe presented this item for discussion. The canvass (*final cumulative and precinct by precinct results*) is the final step to closing the May 6, 2017 election which must be conducted at a properly posted meeting and must take place before newly elected board members can be installed. The administration of the Board of Trustees' Oath of Office will follow the canvass.

No action required.

(This item will be presented for board approval at the May 16, 2017 meeting.)

23724 **Request for Approval of Closed Meeting – Personnel Matters - Section 551.074 of the Texas Government Code (Discussion of Routine Personnel Report) [Board will deliberate the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline, or dismissal of public employees of the District]:**

No session held.

23725 **Information Items:** The Financials, Purchasing Report, and Routine Personnel Report were provided to the Board of Trustees.

No action required.

23726 **Adjournment:** Board President Teri Ervin adjourned the Board meeting at 8:23 p.m.

Board President
Teri Wheat Ervin, MEd

Board Secretary
Ray Beaty, D.C