

REGULAR MEETING OF BOARD OF EDUCATION

Stephenville, Texas

November 16, 2015

The Stephenville Independent School District Board of Education met in regular session at 5:30 pm in the Bond Auditorium of the Administration Building, November 16, 2015 with the following members present:

President Dr. Ann Calahan
Vice President Mr. Gary Sult
Dr. Ed Dittfurth

Mr. Scott E. Osman
Mr. Cole Gilliam Parks
Mrs. Keri Vanden Berge

Member Absent: Mrs. Sherrie Evans

School Personnel Present: Superintendent Mr. Matt Underwood, Mrs. Kathy Haynes, Ms. Deborah Hummel, Mr. Shelby Womack, Mr. Keith Starnes, Mr. Mike Childs, Mrs. Jennifer Ryan, Mrs. Stephanie Traweek, Mrs. Kristi Mayes, and Mrs. Norma Cervetto.

Others Present: Mr. Brad Keith with The Flash and Mrs. Autumn Owens, with the Stephenville Empire-Tribune.

Invocation

Mr. Cole Gilliam Parks provided the Invocation for the Board of Trustees.

Recited U.S. and Texas Pledges of Allegiance

The U.S. and Texas Pledges of Allegiance were recited.

I. Call to Order and Announce Quorum Present

President Calahan called the meeting to order and announced a quorum present.

II. Proclamations/Recognitions

SHS: Reagan Drake – ATSSB All-State Jazz Band
SHS: Cross Country Regional Finalist (Honeybees)
SHS: Cross Country Regional Finalist (Yellow Jackets)

III. Approval of Consent Agenda

The motion was made by Mr. Sult and seconded by Mrs. Vanden Berge to approve the Consent Agenda including: Minutes: October 19, 2015 Regular Meeting, Review of Monthly Bills, Approval of additional vendors, Cash and

Investment Report, General Operating Fund, Debt Service Fund, and Child Nutrition Fund, Budget Amendment, Second Six Weeks Attendance as presented.

All members voted in favor of the motion. The motion carried.

IV. Heard Annual “Highly Qualified” Report

Mrs. Kathy Haynes presented the annual “Highly Qualified Report”. As required, the report will be posted to the Stephenville ISD website. No action is required.

V. Canvassing of Votes and Declaring Results of the November 3, 2015 Tax Ratification Election

President Calahan read the November 3 2015 Tax Ratification Election results as follows:

Tax Ratification Election

For: 1353 (71.44%)

Against: 541 (28.56%)

Results: Declaring the passage of the November 3, 2015 TRE Election

A copy of the results is attached hereto and shall become an official part of these minutes.

VI. Approval of Certified Values for 2015

The motion was made by Mr. Sult and seconded by Mr. Osman that the board approve the Certified Values for 2015 as presented.

All members voted in favor of the motion. The motion carried.

VII. Approval of Technology purchase – iPad Minis at Hook Elementary

The motion was made by Dr. Dittfurth and seconded by Mr. Sult to approve the technology purchase for student iPad Minis for Hook Elementary as presented.

All members voted in favor of the motion. The motion carried.

VIII. Heard the TASA/TASB Convention Report

Discussion was held regarding the convention sessions that were attended by the school board members.

IX. Heard Superintendent’s Report

- Head Start
- S&P Rating Raised to AA
- NIMS Grant Partnership with FMC/Ranger College
- Public Adjustor
- TASB Business Recognition Program
- TASB Update 103 – First reading

X. Closed Session

President Calahan announced to those present that the Board would adjourn into Closed Session pursuant to the provisions of Section 551.071 through and/or 551.086. (Approximately: 6:32 pm)

XI. Open Session

The Board returned to Open Session. (Approximately: 7:08 pm)

XII. Personnel

As authorized by the Board of Trustees at the June 15, 2015 Regular Meeting Superintendent Underwood accepted the following resignations/retirements:

Resignations/Retirements:

Cathy Wittie – Teacher – Central Elementary (Retirement)
Effective: December 31, 2015

Neida Griffin – Assistant Principal – Hook Elementary
Effective: November 3, 2015

XIII. Adjourn

No further business appearing before the board, the meeting adjourned.

ATTEST: _____ CORRECT: _____
Secretary President