

**ALEDO INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT  
BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
REGULAR MEETING  
October 21, 2013**

**MINUTES**

**BOARD MEETING**

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Aledo Independent School District was held on Monday, October 21, 2013, beginning at 7:00 P.M. in the Aledo I.S.D. Board Room with the following members present: President Jay Stringer, Vice President David Davis, Secretary Johnny Campbell, Steve Bartley, Bobby J Rigues, Hoyt Harris, and Dr. David Tillman.

**AGENDA**

President Jay Stringer called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M.

President Jay Stringer determined a quorum was present at this time.

President Jay Stringer declared a moment of silence for the victims in the Sparks, Nevada tragedy.

Ms. Deborah Cano, Vanadagriff Principal, led everyone in the pledges of allegiance to the United States and Texas Flags.

Ms. Cano, Student Council Sponsor Marie Reneman, Assistant Principal Laura Creamer, and several student leadership students gave a presentation about the program at Vandagriff.

Dr. Derek Citty, Superintendent, thanked everyone for the kindness shown during the death of his Dad. Dr. Citty stated that Governor Perry had declared October 12 as Public School Human Resources Appreciation Day and also recognized October as Texas principals' month and publically thanked Aledo's principals. Dr. Citty also reported on several district events.

Mrs. Lynn McKinney, Deputy Superintendent, and Mr. Steve Bartley, presented the following commendations:

National Achievement Program Outstanding Participant – Phillip Elam

National Merit Commended Students – Jessie Chruscielski, Chandler Dean, Danielle Manley, Katherine Mazade, and Lauren McCraine

National Merit Semi-finalist – Angelique Morvant, Autumn Simpson, and Callie Wortham

Dr. David Tillman reported that the Community Partners membership has doubled over last year and they will be hosting a fajita dinner on November 14.

Mr. Hoyt Harris reported that the Aledo ISD Education Foundation Board is establishing gift levels, and a list of prospective donors.

Mr. Bobby J Rigues reported on the TASA/TASB convention that he attended last month.

President Jay Stringer opened the floor for Public Comment and Mr. David Denman spoke about the budget.

A motion was made by Vice President David Davis, seconded by Mr. Steve Bartley, to approve the September 10 and 16, 2013 Minutes, Monthly financials and Personnel recommendations on the Consent Agenda as presented by administration.

Motion was:     **7** FOR (President Jay Stringer, Vice President David Davis, Secretary Johnny Campbell, Bobby J Rigues, Steve Bartley, Hoyt Harris, and Dr. David Tillman)

**0** AGAINST

President Jay Stringer introduced administrative report items:

~ Demographer Update – Mr. Earl Husfeld, CFO, and Rocky Gardiner, Templeton Demographics, gave a power point presentation giving an update on the housing market and a ten year forecast on student growth.

~ Performance-Based Monitoring Analysis System Report – Ms. Denise Dugger, Executive Director of Professional Development and Accountability, reported on the annual evaluation of the District's performance and program effectiveness.

~ HB5 Update – Ms. Denise Dugger, Executive Director of Professional Development and Accountability, reported that this new house bill has 84 sections and addresses three large areas; Curriculum, Assessment, and Accountability. Scott Kessel, Coordinator of Student Services and Safety, gave a report on changes to the graduation requirements per HB5, and Kathy Allen, Director of Curriculum, reported on the advantage of the flexibility for students and also gave a brief report on the potential Aledo ISD and Bell Helicopter partnership and the opportunities that will be available for students.

~ School FIRST Report – Mr. Earl Husfeld, CFO, told the Board that once again Aledo scored a perfect 70.

~Art Work for the District Christmas Card – Dr. Derek Citty, Superintendent, announced the winners of the contest that Board members voted on earlier in the evening. They were:

First Place - # 79 – Chandler Hayes

Second Place - #78 – Autumn Roberts

Third Place - #34 – Serena Bastian

A brief recess was called at 8:32 P.M. The meeting resumed at 8:41 P.M.

A motion was made by Vice President David Davis, seconded by Dr. David Tillman to approve the Campus Plans for 2013-14 as presented by administration.

Motion was:       **7**           FOR (President Jay Stringer, Vice President David Davis, Secretary Johnny Campbell, Steve Bartley, Bobby J Rigues, Hoyt Harris, and Dr. David Tillman)  
                          **0**           AGAINST

A motion was made by Mr. Steve Bartley, seconded by Mr. Hoyt Harris, to approve the Guaranteed Maximum Price on the AHS/TLC projects as presented by administration.

Motion was:       **7**           FOR (President Jay Stringer, Vice President David Davis, Secretary Johnny Campbell, Bobby J Rigues, Steve Bartley, Hoyt Harris, and Dr. David Tillman)  
                          **0**           AGAINST

A motion was made by Mr. Hoyt Harris seconded by Dr. David Tillman, to approve the School Health Advisory Committee as presented by administration.

Motion was:       **7**           FOR (President Jay Stringer, Vice President David Davis, Secretary Johnny Campbell, Bobby J Rigues, Steve Bartley, Hoyt Harris, and Dr. David Tillman)  
                          **0**           AGAINST

A motion was made by Mr. Steve Bartley, seconded by Vice President David Davis, to approve the Budget Amendment as presented by administration..

Motion was:       **7**           FOR (President Jay Stringer, Vice President David Davis, Secretary Johnny Campbell, Bobby J Rigues, Steve Bartley, Hoyt Harris, and Dr. David Tillman)  
                          **0**           AGAINST

A motion was made by Vice President David Davis, seconded by Mr. Hoyt Harris, to approve the changes to the Board Operating Procedure Manual as presented by administration.

Motion was:       **7**           FOR (President Jay Stringer, Vice President David Davis, Secretary Johnny Campbell, Bobby J Rigues, Steve Bartley, Hoyt Harris, and Dr. David Tillman)  
                          **0**           AGAINST

A motion was made by Dr. David Tillman, seconded by Vice President David Davis, to approve the out of state AHS Band trip to Colorado as presented by administration

Motion was:       **7**           FOR (President Jay Stringer, Vice President David Davis, Secretary Johnny Campbell, Bobby J Rigues, Steve Bartley, Hoyt Harris, and Dr. David Tillman)  
                          **0**           AGAINST

At 9:07 P.M., the Board was called to executive session by President Jay Stringer, after citing Texas Government Code Section 551.074 to discuss Personnel; Deliberation regarding approval of a finding in accordance with Texas Education Code 21.210(c)(2) and 19 Texas Administrative Code 249.14(g), that good cause did not exist for Jennifer Blakely, a term contract teacher, to abandon her employment contract, abandon her position and attempt to resign from Aledo ISD, and Deliberation regarding the notification to the State Board for Educator Certification of the term contract teacher, Jennifer Blakely's abandonment of her employment contract and seeking sanctions for abandonment of her position.

The meeting was declared in open session by President Jay Stringer, at 9:30 P. M. with no decision made in Executive Session.

Superintendent Dr. Derek Citty stated that It is recommended that the Board approve a finding in accordance with Texas Education Code Section 21.210(c)(2) and 19 Texas Administrative Code Section 249.14(g), that good cause did not exist for a term contract

teacher's abandonment of her employment contract, Jennifer Blakely, abandonment of her position and attempt to resign from Aledo ISD.

A motion was made by President Jay Stringer, seconded by Vice President David Davis, to move that the Board issue a finding in accordance with Texas Education Code Section 21.210(c)(2) and 19 Texas Administrative Code 249.14(g), that good cause did not exist for Jennifer Blakely, a term contract teacher to abandon her employment contract, abandon her position, and attempt to resign from Aledo ISD.

Motion was: **7** FOR (President Jay Stringer, Vice President David Davis, Secretary Johnny Campbell, Bobby J Riques, Steve Bartley, Hoyt Harris, and Dr. David Tillman)

**0** AGAINST

Superintendent Dr. Derek Citty stated that It is recommended that the Board send information required by 19 Texas Administrative Code 249.14(g) to the State Board for Educator Certification seeking sanctions for a term contract teacher's, Jennifer Blakely, abandonment of her employment contract.

A motion was made by Secretary Johnny Campbell, seconded by Dr. David Tillman, to move that the Board authorize the Board President to send a letter to the State Board for Educator Certification seeking sanctions for Jennifer Blakely, a term contract teacher's abandonment of her employment.

Motion was: **7** FOR (President Jay Stringer, Vice President David Davis, Secretary Johnny Campbell, Bobby J Riques, Steve Bartley, Hoyt Harris, and Dr. David Tillman)

**0** AGAINST

Trustee Comments/Acknowledgements – President Jay Stringer made the following announcements:

On December 9 there is a webinar concerning the Superintendent Evaluation Process. Email Mrs. Roe if interested.

Several Board Training Opportunities are coming up including Corpus Christi in February.

Announcement will be made in December reporting Board training hours – all have met or exceeded.

The Aledo ISD App is great and all board members are invited to any and all events.

November 18 is the next regular board meeting and November 20 is the board policy review meeting.

The Board thanked administration and staff for their hard work and thanked campus staff for all the hard work in preparing the campus plans.

President Jay Stringer adjourned the meeting at 9:43 P.M.

SECRETARY \_\_\_\_\_ PRESIDENT \_\_\_\_\_

APPROVED \_\_\_\_\_, 2013.