

**ALEDO INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT  
BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
REGULAR MEETING  
November 13, 2017**

**MINUTES**

**BOARD MEETING**

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Aledo Independent School District was held on Monday, November 13, 2017, beginning at 6:00 P.M. in the Aledo I.S.D. Board Room with the following members present: President Jay Stringer, Secretary Jennifer Loftin, Julie Turner, Forrest Collins, and Bobby J Rigues. Vice President Hoyt Harris and Dr. David Tillman arrived at 6:04 P.M.

**AGENDA**

President Jay Stringer called the meeting to order at 6:00 P.M.

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

Scott Kessel, Director of Student Services and Safety, reviewed the proposed cultural inclusiveness plan, the process, how it relates to TEKS and the school counseling program, the implementation plan and evaluation. Trustee Collins led a discussion on the values of Aledo ISD. Questions were asked and answered.

Earl Husfeld, CFO, announced due to the Parker County Appraisal Office being closed on Friday, November 10, for Veteran's Day, he has not received the canvass election results for the bond. Discussion was held about the next steps for the bond and it was decided that Dr. Citty and Earl Husfeld would contact Baseline and Associates to get information about polling the community.

Dr. Citty informed Trustees of two emails he had received asking for votes for the Parker County and Tarrant Appraisal Districts Board of Directors.

A brief recess was called at 6:45 P.M.

The meeting reconvened at 7:01 P.M.

Dan Peterson, principal of Aledo High School, led everyone in the pledges of allegiance to the United States and Texas Flags.

A moment of silent prayer or reflection was observed.

Dan Peterson presented the 2016-2017 Aledo High School year in review including academics, CTE programs, and the Fine Arts programs and discussed their many accomplishments. Mr. Peterson also spoke of the many accomplishments the high school has had for this year.

Dr. Derek Citty, Superintendent, announced upcoming district events, and encouraged Trustees to check out each campus calendar for specific events on the campuses. Dr. Citty spoke concerning three separate and unrelated lockdowns the District has recently undertaken. He briefed Trustees on the procedures the District follows and announced the Parent University on December 11 will review the Emergency Management protocols with all attendees. He encouraged everyone to attend.

Lynn McKinney, Deputy Superintendent, reviewed the preliminary 2018-2021 Strategic Plan Development Timeline. President Stringer shared information about the District vision and mission statements and the feedback he received from TASB and Region XI.

Lynn McKinney, Deputy Superintendent, and Hoyt Harris presented certificates to Landry Kasper, a Barbara Bush Foundation for Family Literacy Essay Contest winner, Joey Paul, Jake Albin, and Olivia Ramirez for Citation Winners of the Citation of Excellence Competition and for receiving 8<sup>th</sup> place in the UIL State Marching Contest, and Graydon Morris for State Cross Country Champion and his sister Gracie Morris for receiving 3<sup>rd</sup> place.

Trustee Julie Turner spoke to the other Trustees concerning how to follow up on items from previous board meetings and suggested a rolling to do list that Trustees could add to. She passed out a sample.

Jennifer Loftin announced the Education Foundation Fast Cash Grants presentations are so fun to watch and said the Foundation has awarded over \$10,000 to teachers in these grants. The Innovative Teaching Grants are being reviewed and a total will be brought to the December Board meeting. She also stated that plans for the annual Bearcats and Boots and the Don R. Daniel Golf Tournaments are well under way.

Dr. David Tillman will bring a Community Partners report at next month's meeting.

Bobby J Rigues presented the legislative report and explained that the State Board of Education is required to adopt a long range plan and have organized an 18 member steering committee to have this plan in place by 2018 that will take them through 2030. They are holding community forums across the state and one is to be held on December 5 beginning at 6:30 at Region XI. You must register to attend as space is limited.

Forrest Collins shared interesting news that educators are stepping up to run for public offices. He listed the names and offices they are running for and also spoke about Dallas County Schools being voted out.

President Jay Stringer opened the floor for Public Comment and there were none.

A motion was made by Bobby J Rigues, seconded by Julie Turner to approve the minutes from the October 12 and 16, 2017 board meetings, the monthly financial reports, opposition to the Lead International Academy Charter School, and the Aledo Education Foundation Memorandum of Understanding as presented by administration.

Motion was:     **7**     FOR  
                  **0**     AGAINST

Jay Stringer introduced the Administrative Reports:

~Final Disposition of the 2008 Bond – Earl Husfeld, CFO, presented financial information to assist with this on-going discussion item.

~Final Disposition of the 2015 Bond~ Earl Husfeld, CFO, presented a financial analysis of the 2015 bond program and gave an update for consideration and discussion related to the use of these funds.

President Jay Stringer introduced Action Items:

A motion was made by Jay Stringer, seconded by Forrest Collins to postpone the approval of the canvass of election results due to those results not being available from the Parker County Appraisal District Office.

Motion was:     **7**             FOR  
                  **0**             AGAINST

A recess was called at 8:24 P.M.

The meeting reconvened at 8:31 P.M.

A motion was made by Hoyt Harris, seconded by Jennifer Loftin to approve \$170,290.00 for playground equipment for Walsh Elementary as presented by administration.

Motion was:     **7**             FOR  
                  **0**             AGAINST

A motion was made by Bobby J Rigues, seconded by Dr. David Tillman to postpone the Culture of Voting Resolution to the December 18 board meeting.

Motion was:     **7**             FOR  
                  **0**             AGAINST

A motion was made by Dr. David Tillman, seconded by Hoyt Harris to cast Aledo's 950 votes to Gary Aguillard for the Parker County Appraisal District Board of Directors.

Motion was:     **7**             FOR  
                  **0**             AGAINST

Due to lack of a motion, the vote for Tarrant Appraisal District Board of Directors failed.

At 9:01 P.M., the Board was called to executive session by President Jay Stringer, after citing Texas Government Code Section 551.072 Real Estate, location of elementary no. 6 and location of middle school no. 2 and Texas Education Code Section 551.074, Personnel, Superintendent Contract.

The meeting was declared in open session by President Jay Stringer, at 10:10 P.M. with no action taken.

Dr. Derek Citty read a letter announcing his retirement effective June 30, 2018.

Trustee Comments/Acknowledgments – Unexpected announcement from Dr. Citty, he has always put the kids and the District first, moving forward what direction does the Board wish to take, thank you Dr. Citty and congratulations, it has been a pleasure working with you, the night of my election win you put your hands on my shoulders and told me to always put kids first in my decisions, after 35 years of public service and 4 ½ years of working together, you always showed kids come first and that speaks volumes, know being superintendent is a difficult and stressful job, you deserve retirement, fantastic job and thank you.

President Jay Stringer adjourned the meeting at 10:17 P.M.

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

**APPROVED** \_\_\_\_\_, 2017.