

Regular Meeting

Monday, January 13, 2025 5:15 PM

Westwood Middle School, 1801 Panther Blvd., Palestine, TX. 75803

Carolyn Booker: Present
Angela Choate: Present
Jeff Cooper: Present
Mindy Cretsinger: Absent
Joe Garza: Present
Jess Huddleston: Present
Bryan Jones: Present

1. CALL TO ORDER AND ESTABLISH QUORUM

Discussion: The Board meeting was called to order at 5:15 p.m. by Dr. Booker

2. ROLL CALL

3. ACTION ITEM

3.A. Board to consider approval of the Agenda

Action(s):

Motion was made to approve the board agenda. This motion, made by Bryan Jones and seconded by Jess Huddleston, Passed.

Voting Detail:

Carolyn Booker: Yea

Angela Choate: Yea

Jeff Cooper: Yea

Mindy Cretsinger: Absent

Joe Garza: Yea

Jess Huddleston: Yea

Bryan Jones: Yea

Voting Summary: Yea: 6, Nay: 0, Absent: 1

4. CLOSED SESSION

Discussion: Closed session began at 5:17 and was dismissed at 6:00

4.A. Superintendent's Mid-year Evaluation

4.B. Personnel

4.C. Acknowledge professional contracts

4.D. Intruder Detecton Audit

4.E. Director of Transportation

4.F. Board to discuss DOI Contract

5. **INVOCATION**

Discussion: Innvocation was given by Dr. Booker

6. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE/TEXAS PLEDGE**

7. **Board to vote on items discussed in closed session**

7.A. Board to consider and vote on Director of Transportation

Action(s):

Board approved Mike Bentley as Director of Transportation. This motion, made by Bryan Jones and seconded by Jess Huddleston, Passed.

Voting Detail:

Carolyn Booker: Yea

Angela Choate: Yea

Jeff Cooper: Yea

Mindy Cretsinger: Absent

Joe Garza: Yea

Jess Huddleston: Yea

Bryan Jones: Yea

Voting Summary: Yea: 6, Nay: 0, Absent: 1

7.B. Board to consider DOI contract

Action(s):

Board approved DOI contract for Kendall Hardin. This motion, made by Angela Choate and seconded by Jeff Cooper, Passed.

Voting Detail:

Carolyn Booker: Yea

Angela Choate: Yea

Jeff Cooper: Yea

Mindy Cretsinger: Absent

Joe Garza: Yea

Jess Huddleston: Yea

Bryan Jones: Yea

Voting Summary: Yea: 6, Nay: 0, Absent: 1

8. **Recognition of School Board - School Board Appreciation**

9. **Recognition of Students and Staff**

10. **Public Comments**

11. **Information Items:**

11.A. Audit Report 23-24

Presenter: Chris Alford

Discussion: No Audit report update was given.

11.B. Advanced Marketing class update

Discussion: Brtini Calzada and marketing class

presented current and future projects including fall magazine, school bill boards, and spring magazine

11.C. Finance Update **Presenter:** Chris Alford

11.D. 4th Quarter Investment Report

11.E. Proud Panther

Discussion: The board was presented with 5 application nominations rot review and reconvene on in february

11.F. SPED Legal Services

Discussion: Mr. Stanford presented the Sped legal service options with the board members

12. **Board to consider approval of Consent Agenda;**

Action(s):

board approved consent agenda. This motion, made by Bryan Jones and seconded by Jess Huddleston, Passed.

Voting Detail:

Carolyn Booker: Yea

Angela Choate: Yea

Jeff Cooper: Yea

Mindy Cretsinger: Absent

Joe Garza: Yea

Jess Huddleston: Yea

Bryan Jones: Yea

Voting Summary: Yea: 6, Nay: 0, Absent: 1

12.A. Minutes of Regular Board Meeting, December 9, 2024

12.B. Campus Fundraisers;

Discussion: There were no campus fundraisers to approve

13. **ACTION ITEMS**

13.A. Annual Investment Approval Resolution

Action(s):

Board approved annual investment resolution. This motion, made by Jeff Cooper and seconded by Angela Choate, Passed.

Voting Detail:

Carolyn Booker: Yea

Angela Choate: Yea

Jeff Cooper: Yea

Mindy Cretsinger: Absent

Joe Garza: Yea

Jess Huddleston: Yea

Bryan Jones: Yea

Voting Summary: Yea: 6, Nay: 0, Absent: 1

13.B. Board to call a school board of trustee election on May 3, 2025, for Districts 3,5, and 7

Action(s):

Board approved school board election. This motion, made by Angela Choate and seconded by Jeff Cooper, Passed.

Voting Detail:

Carolyn Booker: Yea

Angela Choate: Yea

Jeff Cooper: Yea

Mindy
Cretsinger: Absent

Joe Garza: Yea

Jess Huddleston: Yea

Bryan Jones: Yea

Voting Summary: Yea: 6, Nay: 0, Absent: 1

13.C. Approval of 4th Quarter Investment Report

Action(s):

board approved 4th quarter investment report. This motion, made by Bryan Jones and seconded by Angela Choate, Passed.

Voting Detail:

Carolyn Booker: Yea

Angela Choate: Yea

Jeff Cooper: Yea

Mindy
Cretsinger: Absent

Joe Garza: Yea

Jess Huddleston: Yea

Bryan Jones: Yea

Voting Summary: Yea: 6, Nay: 0, Absent: 1

13.D. Consider and possible approval of legal services for Special Education

Action(s):

Board approved option 1 of sped legal services. This motion, made by Jess Huddleston and seconded by Jeff Cooper, Passed.

Voting Detail:

Carolyn Booker: Yea

Angela Choate: Yea

Jeff Cooper: Yea

Mindy
Cretsinger: Absent

Joe Garza: Yea

Jess Huddleston: Yea

Bryan Jones: Yea

Voting Summary: Yea: 6, Nay: 0, Absent: 1

14. **Future Agenda Items and Requests**

Discussion: No future agenda items

15. **Adjournment**

Discussion: The board adjourned at 7:01 p.m.

Board Secretary