

**TEMPLE INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT  
SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
March 7, 2022**

**Minutes**

The Board of Trustees met in special session on Monday, March 7, 2022 in the Board Room of the TISD Administration Offices, 401 Santa Fe Way, Temple, Texas in accordance with Chapter 551 of the Government Code. President Posey called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. and declared a quorum present. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mr. Posey.

**Members Present** Mr. Dan Posey, President; Mr. Ronnie Gaines, Vice President; Ms. Virginia Suarez, Secretary; and Mrs. Shannon Myers, Members.

**Members Absent** Mrs. Linell Davis; Mrs. Shannon Gowan; and Dr. Sandhya Sanghi, Members.

**Others Present** Dr. Bobby Ott, Superintendent; Mrs. Beth Moore, Administrative Assistant to the Assistant Superintendent of Student Services, representative of the news media; and various staff members and citizens.

**Public Forum** No one addressed the Board of Trustees during the Open Forum section of the meeting.

**Superintendent's Recognitions** Mrs. Christine Parks, Chief of Communications and Community Relations, recognized Mr. Bert Pope as a Friend of Temple ISD with a Wildcat T made by our CTE Department. Mr. Pope is a lifelong resident of Temple graduating from Temple High School in 1957. Bert has been a consistent supporter of all things Temple, especially Temple ISD. He and his wife Marcia, who served in TISD for many years, raised three sons who all graduated from THS. Through the 2011 and 2015 Bond projects, Mr. Pope assisted the administration with quality control oversight and provided a wealth of advice to the administration. He is best described as smart, dedicated, resourceful, honest, warm, humorous and "True Blue." We are proud to call Mr. Pope a "Friend of TISD."

The Temple Highlighters were recognized for their participation in the Charles Mingus Festival on Saturday, February 19, 2022. Only fifteen jazz ensembles across the country were chosen to participate in the national festival. The Highlighters are under the leadership of Marcos Duran.

Dr. Lisa Adams recognized Ms. Christine Parks, Chief of Communications and Community Relations, for earning Three Gold Star Awards as well as Best in Category at the Texas School Public Relations Association (TSPRA) 60<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference. The awards earned were for the following publications: 2020 Annual Report, Healthy Habits Poster, and the Black History Month Social Media Campaign. Dr. Ott stated he was very proud of the communications department.

**Executive Hires**

No action required this month.

**Board President's Report**

Mr. Posey requested approval of a Resolution to Nominate Dr. Bobby Ott as a Texas Association of School Boards Superintendent of the Year. The resolution was read by Mr. Posey. A motion was made by Mr. Gaines and seconded by Ms. Suarez to approve. Motion carried by a 4-0 vote.

There were no future items of discussion.

Dr. Ott reviewed the following important dates for March 2020:

- March 10 – TEF Academic Celebration – 6:30 pm @ Vista Community Church
- March 11 – Rejuvenate Spring Retreat – 8:00 a.m. @ Summer's Mill
- March 24 – School Board Retreat – 8:30 a.m. @ TISD Administration Building
- March 30 – School Board Policy Committee Meeting – 4:00 p.m. @ TISD Administration Building
- March 31 – School Board Facilities Committee Meeting – 4:00 p.m. @ TISD Administration Building
- April 7 – School Board Retreat – 8:30 a.m. @ TISD Administration Building
- April 11 – School Board Regular Board Meeting – 6:00 p.m. @ TISD Administration Building

**Consent Agenda**

A motion was made by Mr. Gaines and seconded by Mrs. Myers to approve Consent Agenda Items VII, A – D, 1-3. Items approved included the following: District Enrollment Update; Budget Amendment #07; Purchases Over \$50,000, School Nutrition Delivery Vehicles, Technology Refresh for Middle School Campuses, Technology Devices for Incoming Temple High Freshman; February Board Meeting Minutes for February 14, 18, and 21, 2022. Motion Carried 4-0.

**Human Resource**

Mrs. Donna Ward, Assistant Superintendent of Human Resources, requested approval for the 2022-2023 Assistant Superintendent Contracts. A motion was made by Ms. Suarez and seconded by Mrs. Myers to approve the recommendation for the 2022-2023 Assistant Superintendent Contracts. The motion was approved by a 4-0 vote.

**Curriculum and Instruction**

Mr. Steve Prentiss reported on the PE Adoption for Grades K-5 and 6-8. The committee is recommending the Goodheart-Wilcox Company for grades 6-8 and Quaver for Grades K-5. There will be no adoption for grades 9-12. A motion was made by Mr. Gaines and seconded by Ms. Suarez. Motion carried 4-0.

**Finance and Facilities**

Mr. Kent Boyd, Assistant Superintendent of Facilities and Operations reported the candidates for the School Board Trustees for District 1 and District 6 are unopposed. District 1 is currently held by Ms. Virginia Suarez, and District 6 is currently held by Ms. Shannon Gowan. Mr. Boyd requested approval of Certification of Unopposed Candidates for Districts 1 and 6. A motion was made by Mr. Gaines and seconded by Mrs. Myers. The motion carried by a 6-0 vote.

Mr. Boyd requested the approval of the Order of Cancellation for Trustee Election for Districts 1 and 6. Mr. Gaines made a motion to approve the Order of Cancellation which was seconded by Ms. Suarez. The motion was approved. (4-0)

**Student Services**

No action required this month.

**Board Committee Reports**

**Facilities Committee Update**

Mr. Ronnie Gaines, Chairman of the Facilities Committee, provided an update on the last committee meeting held on February 24, 2022 – 4:00 p.m. Items discussed included the following: Approval to replace the track and turf at Wildcat Stadium at a “not to exceed” cost of \$1,800,000. A motion was made by Ms. Suarez and seconded by Mr. Posey. The motion carried 4-0; Approval of a Resolution to Accept the donation of Property at 903 South 34<sup>th</sup> Street, Temple, TX. A motion was Mrs. Myers and seconded by Ms. Suarez. The motion carried 4-0; an update on the planning and design process for the new elementary campus; and a tour of the Meridith-Dunbar ECA gym was provided.

The next meeting will be held on Thursday, March 31, 2022 – 4:00p.m.

**Policy Committee Update**

Mr. Posey read the minutes of the last Policy Committee meeting and reported the last meeting held was February 23, 2022 – 4:00 p.m. and provided an update of the meeting. Item discussed included the following: Discussion of the nomination of Bert Pope to be named as a Friend of Temple ISD at the March 7 board meeting and a Board Policy Review on the following policies:

- DEB(LEGAL) – Compensation and Benefits; Fringe Benefits
- DEC(LEGAL) – Compensation and Benefits; Leaves and Absences

- DEC(LOCAL) - Compensation and Benefits; Leaves and Absences
- DECA(LEGAL) – Leaves and Absences; Family and Medical Leave
- DECB(LEGAL) – Leaves and Absences; Military Leave
- DEE(LEGAL) – Compensation and Benefits; Expense Reimbursement
- DEE(LOCAL) – Compensation and Benefits; Expense Reimbursement

The next meeting will be held Wednesday, March 30, 2022 – 4:00 p.m.

Mr. Eric Haugeberg, Assistant Superintendent of Student Services, presented the Policy Review on the following policies:

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- DEC(LOCAL) - Compensation and Benefits; Leaves and Absences
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No action was required.

## **Adjournment**

The meeting adjourned at 6:41 p.m.

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Dan Posey, President

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Virginia Suarez, Secretary