

Regular Meeting

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County of Fort Bend §
Lamar Consolidated Independent School District §

Notice of Regular Meeting Held

On this the 17h day of December 2024, the Board of Trustees of the Lamar Consolidated Independent School District of Fort Bend County, Texas met in regular session in Rosenberg, Fort Bend County, Texas.

CALL TO ORDER AND ESTABLISHMENT OF A QUORUM

This meeting was duly called to order by the President of the Board of Trustees, Zach Lambert, at 6:30 p.m.

Members Present:

Zach Lambert	President
Jon Welch	Secretary
Suzanne Box	Member
Mandi Bronsell	Member
Kay Danziger	Member

Members Absent:

Jacci Hotzel	Vice President
Joe Hubenak	Member

Others Present:

Dr. Roosevelt Nivens	Superintendent
Alphonso Bates	Deputy Superintendent
Greg Buchanan	Chief Operations Officer
Sonya Cole-Hamilton	Chief Communications Officer
Christi Cottongame	Chief Learning Officer
Jill Ludwig	Chief Financial Officer
Dr. Marlon Waites	Chief Student Services Officer

OPENING OF MEETING

A moment of silence was observed. The Pledge of Allegiance and Pledge to the Texas Flag were led by 6th grader Koa Wong from Roberts Middle School.

RECOGNITIONS/AWARDS

Sonya Cole-Hamilton recognized the Director of Talent Development for amending state-level Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL) scoring requirements.

Sonya Cole-Hamilton recognized the Fulshear High School Volleyball team for placing second in the 2024 Volleyball State Championship in Garland, Texas.

Sonya Cole- Hamilton recognized a former Foster High School student who presented a commissioned painting to the District.

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INTRODUCTIONS

Alphonso Bates introduced the new Area Superintendent.

Police Chief Henry Garcia introduced two new LCISD Police Department police lieutenants.

BOARD MEMBER REPORTS

Trustee Danziger attended the National Elementary Honor Society induction ceremony at Austin Elementary School and attended the Fort Bend Retired Teacher's Association's luncheon. She also attended an event at the Fort Bend Museum and the Spirit of Christmas event at Pink Elementary School.

Secretary Welch participated in the LEAF Grant Express.

Trustee Bronsell attended a music program at Smith Elementary School.

President Lambert attended the principal's breakfast at Wright Junior High School.

BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS

President Lambert introduced the Hypergrowth Oversight Committee and said it will begin meeting in January.

SUPERINTENDENT REPORT

Dr. Nivens commented on the commissioned artwork created by a former student.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were not any public comments.

PUBLIC HEARING

The hearing on the annual financial accountability management report regarding the Financial Integrity Rating System of Texas (Schools FIRST) opened at 6:54 p.m.

Jill Ludwig presented information on the annual financial accountability management report.

The Board of Trustees reviewed and discussed the annual financial accountability management report regarding the Financial Integrity Rating System of Texas (Schools FIRST).

The hearing closed at 7:08 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT TO CLOSED SESSION PURSUANT TO TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE SECTIONS 551.071, 551.072, 551.074, and 551.082, THE OPEN MEETINGS ACT, FOR THE FOLLOWING PURPOSES:

- A. Adjournment to closed session pursuant to Texas Government Code Sections 551.071, 551.072, 551.074, and 551.082, the Open Meetings Act, for the following purposes:

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1. Section 551.074 - For the purpose of considering the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline or dismissal of a public officer or employee or to hear complaints or charges against a public officer or employee.
 - a. Approval of personnel recommendations for employment of professional personnel
 - b. Employment of professional personnel (Information)
 - c. Employee resignations and retirements (Information)
2. Section 551.072 - For the purpose of discussing the purchase, exchange, lease or value of real property
 - a. Land
3. Section 551.071 - To meet with the District's attorney to discuss matters in which the duty of the attorney to the District under the Texas Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct of the State Bar of Texas clearly conflicts with the Open Meetings Act, including the grievance/complaint hearing.
 - a. Any item listed on the agenda
 - b. Discuss pending, threatened, or potential litigation, including school finance litigation

The Board adjourned to Closed Session at 7:08 p.m. for the purposes listed above.

RECONVENE IN OPEN SESSION

The Board reconvened in Open Session at 8:16 p.m.

ITEMS FOR CONSENT OF APPROVAL:

It was moved by Trustee Danziger and seconded by Secretary Welch that the Board of Trustees approve the consent agenda items, , as presented. The motion carried unanimously, 5-0-0.

CONSENT AGENDA

Consider approval of minutes from November 19, 2024 Regular Monthly Board Meeting

The Board of Trustees approved the minutes from the November 19, 2024 Regular Monthly Board Meeting.

Consider ratification of donations to the District

The Board of Trustees ratified donations to the District.

Consider approval of monthly schedule of disbursements (November 2024)

The Board of Trustees approved the monthly schedule of disbursements from November 2024.

Consider approval of budget amendment requests

The Board of Trustees approved the budget amendment requests.

Consider approval of RFP #01-2025TB Travis Elementary School serving line

The Board of Trustees approved RFP #01-2025TB for the Travis Elementary School serving line.

Consider approval of participation in U.S. General Services Administration (GSA) cooperative purchasing program

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The Board of Trustees approved participation in the U.S. General Services Administration (GSA) cooperative purchasing program.

Consider approval of personnel recommendations for employment of professional personnel

The Board of Trustees approved the personnel recommendations for employment of professional personnel.

Consider approval of resolution proclaiming School Board Recognition Month

The Board of Trustees approved the resolution proclaiming School Board Recognition Month.

Consider approval of resolution proclaiming Law Enforcement Appreciation Day

The Board of Trustees approved the resolution proclaiming Law Enforcement Appreciation Day.

Consider approval of resolution proclaiming Holocaust Remembrance Week

The Board of Trustees approved the resolution proclaiming Holocaust Remembrance Week.

Consider approval of resolution proclaiming Sam Rayburn Day

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Consider approval of architect's contract for Middle School #8

The Board of Trustees approved the architect's contract for Middle School #8.

Consider approval of procurement method for Middle School #8

The Board of Trustees approved the procurement method for Middle School #8.

Consider approval of easement for CTE center

The Board of Trustees approved the easement for the CTE center.

Consider approval of change order and supplemental final payment for support services/maintenance and operations facility project

The Board of Trustees approved the change order and supplemental final payment for the support services/maintenance and operations facility project.

Consider approval of amendment for GMP #2 for High School #8 site development

The Board of Trustees approved the amendment for GMP #2 for High School #8 site development.

Consider approval of amendment for GMP #1 for New Administration Building

The Board of Trustees approved the amendment for GMP #1 for New Administration Building

Consider approval of deductive change order and final payment for GMP #2, GMP #3, GMP #4 and GMP #5 for Lamar Consolidated High School, Lamar Junior High School, Pink Elementary School, Smith Elementary School and Long Elementary School project

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The Board of Trustees approved the deductive change order and final payment for GMP #2, GMP #3, GMP #4 and GMP #5 for the Lamar Consolidated High School, Lamar Junior High School, Pink Elementary School, Smith Elementary School and Long Elementary School project.

Consider approval of deductive change order and final payment for George Ranch High School, Reading Junior High School, Fulshear High School, and Leaman Junior High School orchestra room additions

The Board of Trustees approved the deductive change order and final payment for the George Ranch High School, Reading Junior High School, Fulshear High School, and Leaman Junior High School orchestra room additions.

Consider approval of deductive change order and final payment for construction of Melton Elementary School

The Board of Trustees approved the deductive change order and final payment for the construction of Melton Elementary School.

FUTURE ACTION ITEMS

Discussion of conceptual design for Junior High School #8

Greg Buchanan presented information on the conceptual design for Junior High School #8.

ACTION ITEMS

Consider approval of member district partnership shared service arrangement for 2024-2025 Innovative Services for Students with Autism, Cycle 2 grant

Tiffany Mathis presented information on the 2024-2025 member district partnership shared service arrangement for Innovative Services for Students with Autism, Cycle 2 grant.

The Board of Trustees reviewed and discussed the 2024-2025 member district partnership shared service arrangement for Innovative Services for Students with Autism, Cycle 2 grant.

It was moved by Secretary Welch and seconded by Trustee Box that the Board of Trustees approve the member district partnership shared service arrangement for 2024-2025 Innovative Services for Students with Autism, Cycle 2 grant. The motion carried unanimously, 5-0-0.

Consider approval of Student Code of Conduct revisions

Ben Hernandez presented information on the Student Code of Conduct revisions.

The Board of Trustees reviewed and discussed the Student Code of Conduct revisions.

It was moved by Trustee Box and seconded by Trustee Bronsell that the Board of Trustees approve the Student Code of Conduct revisions. The motion carried unanimously, 5-0-0.

INFORMATION ITEMS

Results of Refunding Bond Sale, Series 2024A

Jill Ludwig presented the results of refunding the bond sale, Series 2024A.

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Advocacy to State Board of Education about English Proficiency

Jamie Vincek presented information on her advocacy to the State Board of Education about the Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL) scoring requirements.

The Board of Trustees reviewed and discussed the Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL) scoring requirements.

Instructional Update

Christi Cottongame presented an instructional update on benchmark assessments.

The Board of Trustees reviewed and discussed the instructional update on benchmark assessments.

Senate Bill 1882 Texas Partnerships Update

Dr. Kevin Phillips presented information on Senate Bill 1882, Texas Partnerships.

The Board of Trustees reviewed and discussed Senate Bill 1882, Texas Partnerships.

FUTURE CONSENT ITEMS

There were not any items pulled from the Future Consent Agenda for presentation at the January Board meeting.

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RECONVENE IN OPEN SESSION

The Board reconvened in Open Session at 9:21 p.m.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

There were not any future agenda items added to the January Regular Board Meeting agenda.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 9:22 p.m.

LAMAR CONSOLIDATED INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

Signed:

Zach Lambert
President of the Board of Trustees

Jon Welch
Secretary of the Board of Trustees