

BANDERA INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees

Minutes - October 14, 2019

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Bandera Independent School District was held on October 14, 2019, beginning at 6:15 p.m., in the boardroom of the District Administration Building, 815 Pecan Street, Bandera, Texas 78003.

Call the Meeting to Order

Board President, Dr. Barbara Skipper, called the meeting to order and declared a quorum. Present in addition to Dr. Skipper were Board Members: Bo Mansfield, Heidi Battle, Laurie Neff, Brittany Hicks, Greg Butler. Rhondo Jauer was absent.

Pledge of Allegiance

The Pledge of Allegiance to the United States and Texas Flags was led by Bandera Middle School Students: Kimber Jureczki and Isaiah Trevino.

Vision Statement & Core Values

The Board of Trustees read the district's vision statement and core values.

Board Recognition

Bandera Middle School Students of the Month: Kimber Jureczki and Isaiah Trevino.

Bandera Middle School Student Spaceflight Experiment Program (SSEP).

Bandera Middle School Teachers of the Month: Kathleen Foster; Hannah Powell; and Bette Koenig.

Bandera Middle School Volunteers: Anthony and Suzette Dupree.

Consent Agenda

- a. Approve September 9, 2019, Regular Board Meeting Minutes
- b. Approve Personnel Report Recommendations:
 - i. Accept the resignation of Lori Wall and Francisco Martinez
 - ii. Accept the professional recommendations of Kaitlin Raitz, Kinder Teacher at Alkek Elementary; Cassidi Freeman, 1st Grade Teacher at Alkek Elementary; Sonia Garcia, 2nd Grade Teacher at Hill Country Elementary and Amy Stricker, Special Education Teacher at Alkek Elementary
- c. Budget Status Report
- d. Quarterly Investment Report
- e. Curriculum & Instruction Report
- f. Technology Report
- g. Facilities Report
- h. Nutrition Services Report
- i. Assessment and Accountability

Citizen's Comments

Dr. Barbara Skipper opened the floor for citizens' comments according to district policy BED(LOCAL). René Leith addressed the Board with her concerns regarding agenda item 7F.

Superintendent's Report

Dr. Jerry Hollingsworth updated the Board on the Board Priority Goals met this month. He presented information on the district's monthly ADA and Enrollment; updated information on elementary campus classroom counts; and recognized our campus principals in honor of October being Principal Month.

Transportation Services Update

Kay Miller presented information on the transportation department fleet and department updates. Mrs. Miller recognized Janis Robinson, school bus driver, for her contribution to School Bus Seatbelt Safety Assembly.

Bandera County Central Appraisal District (CAD) Budget; Audit Report; and Certified Roll

Wendy Grams, Chief Appraiser, presented the 2018 Appraisal District Audit Report; 2019 Certified Appraisal Roll; 2019 Appraisal District Budget and Budget Amendment.

Extra-Curricular Student Participation Numbers

Coach Joel Fontenot-Amedee presented the current data on the extra-curricular student participation numbers for 2019-2020.

Announcement of Board Continuing Education Credit

Dr. Barbara Skipper announced that each Board Member has met or exceed their legal requirement of continuing education hours:

Tier One (Orientations): The following Board members have completed the required update to the basic orientation to the Texas Education Code (86th Legislative Update): Rhondo Jauer, Laurie Neff, Dr. Barbara Skipper, Bo Mansfield, Brittany Hicks, Heidi Battle, and Greg Butler.

Tier Two (Teambuilding): In accordance with State Board of Education rules, the Board and the Superintendent team met on December 5, 2018, and participated and completed a Team Building Workshop on Roles & Responsibilities.

Tier Three (Additional Continuing Education hours based on assessed needs): The following Board members have exceeded the required number of Tier Three continuing education hours for the year: Rhondo Jauer, Laurie Neff, Dr. Barbara Skipper, Bo Mansfield, Brittany Hicks, Heidi Battle, and Greg Butler.

Tier Four (Student Achievement – New requirement – 3 hours every 2 years): The following Board members have completed the required training for SB 1566 Governance for Improved Student Learning: Rhondo Jauer, Laurie Neff, Dr. Barbara Skipper, Bo Mansfield, Brittany Hicks, Heidi Battle, and Greg Butler.

Capital Improvements Update

Dr. Jerry Hollingsworth provided an update on the following projects:

- a. Renovation of Middle School Field House
- b. Demonstration Classroom Application Process
- c. White Board Installation

English as a Second Language (ESL) Program Evaluation

Suzy Groff provided a report on the district's ESL program.

Financial Report Update

Scott Tipton presented the monthly financial reports as provided in the Board packet.

Consideration and possible action to accept donation from BISD Education Foundation for teacher grants

Brittany Hicks as representative for the Education Foundation presented the check to the Board of Trustees to fund teacher grants. A motion was made by Greg Butler and seconded by Bo Mansfield to accept the donation of \$48,444.78 from the Education Foundation for teacher grants as presented. The motion passed unanimously.

Consideration and possible action to accept donation from Hill Country Community Foundation for Bandera Middle School Student Spaceflight Experiment Program

Patrick Sizemore presented information on the donation from Hill Country Community Foundation. A motion was made by Bo Mansfield and seconded by Heidi Battle to accept the donation of \$8,000.00 from Hill Country Community Foundation to help cover the cost of the Student Spaceflight Experiment Program. The motion passed unanimously.

Consider all matters incident and related to the issuance and sale of “Bandera Independent School District Unlimited Tax Refunding Bonds, Series 2019”, including the adopt of an order authorizing the issuance of such bonds, establishing parameters for the sale and issuance of such bonds and delegating certain matters to authorized officials of the District.

Jeff Robert with Hilltop Securities presented information to the Board of Trustees on the bond refunding process and the benefits from refinancing. A motion was made by Bo Mansfield and seconded by Heidi Battle to approve the adoption of an order authorizing the issuance of “Bandera Independent School District Unlimited Tax Refunding Bonds, Series 2019”, establishing parameters for the sale and issuance of such bonds and delegating certain matters to the Superintendent of the District. The motion passed unanimously.

Consider and take possible action to select an Architect to provide design and construction administration services for the Collaborative Spaces Projects at Bandera High School and Bandera Middle School

A motion was made by Bo Mansfield and seconded by Greg Butler to select Huckabee & Associates, Inc., as most qualified to provide design and construction and administration services for the Collaborative Spaces Project at the Bandera High School and Middle School and delegate to the Superintendent the right to negotiate a contract, approved by the District’s Counsel, with the Architect for a fair and reasonable price and execute the Contract on behalf of the Board. The motion passed unanimously.

Consider and take possible action to select the Procurement Method for the Collaborative Spaces Projects at the Bandera High School and Bandera Middle School

A motion was made by Greg Butler and seconded by Brittany Hicks to select Competitive Sealed Proposal as the method which will offer the best value to the District in connection with the construction of the Collaborative Spaces Projects at the Bandera High School and Bandera Middle School and delegate authority to the Superintendent to prepare and issue the appropriate procurement documents as recommended by District’s Counsel, to receive proposals, to evaluate and rank the proposals, to award and negotiate a contract with the best ranked proposer, to execute the contract on behalf of the District and to issue a notice to proceed for the project. The motion passed unanimously.

Consideration and possible action to adopt a resolution nominating candidates for the Board of Directors of the Central Appraisal District of Bandera County

A motion was made by Heidi Battle and seconded by Greg Butler to adopt a Resolution nominating candidates, Don Giles, Bo Mansfield and Nick Palacios, for the Board of Directors of the Central Appraisal District of Bandera County. The motion passed unanimously.

Consideration and possible action to approve the School Health Advisory Council Membership Roster for 2019-2020

Patricia Galm presented the amended list of proposed members to the School Health Advisory Committee. A motion was made by Brittany Hicks and seconded by Greg Butler to approve the roster of proposed members on the School Health Advisory Council for 2019-2020. The motion passed unanimously.

Consideration and possible action on retirement of older school buses

Kay Miller presented the list of fourteen school buses being recommend for retirement. A motion was made by Bo Mansfield and seconded by Brittany Hicks to accept the recommendation for retirement of fourteen school buses as provided in the board packet. Motion passed unanimously.

Consideration and possible action to contract with Skyriders Communications

A motion was made by Greg Butler and seconded by Brittany Hicks to approve the hiring of Skyriders Communications for the connectivity project giving the Superintendent the authority to expend \$30,258.80. The motion passed unanimously.

Consideration and possible action to approve District and Campus Performance Objectives

A motion was made by Bo Mansfield and seconded by Heidi Battle to approve the District and Campus Performance Objectives as presented. The motion passed unanimously.

Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:34 p.m.

Board President

Board Secretary