

Regular Meeting

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The State of Texas §
County of Fort Bend §
Lamar Consolidated Independent School District §

Notice of Regular Meeting Held

On this the 18th day of October 2022, 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, Mr. Alex Hunt, at 6:31 p.m.

Members Present:

Alex Hunt	President
Joy Williams	Vice President
Zach Lambert	Secretary
Mandi Bronsell	Member
Kay Danziger	Member
Joe Hubenak	Member
Jon Welch	Member

Members Absent:

None

Others Present:

Dr. Roosevelt Nivens	Superintendent
Alphonso Bates	Deputy Superintendent
Greg Buchanan	Chief Operations Officer
Sonya Cole-Hamilton	Chief Communications Officer
Jill Ludwig	Chief Financial Officer
Dr. Terri Mossige	Deputy Superintendent
Dallis Warren	Chief of Police

BUSINESS TRANSACTED

Business properly coming before the Board was transacted as follows: to witness—

OPENING OF MEETING

A moment of silence was observed. The pledge of allegiance and pledge to the Texas Flag were led by Ryon Middle School 6th grader Henry Wolgamott.

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RECOGNITIONS/AWARDS

Ms. Sonya Cole-Hamilton acknowledged the Commended National Merit Scholarship recipients and National Merit Semifinalists.

Commended students from Fulshear High School are Ainsley Barker, Tyler Browning and Lea Hinsley.

Commended students from George Ranch High School are William Brown, Braedon Kotko, Emma Pitrof and Annika Schoditsch.

Commended students from Lamar Consolidated High School are Rene Martinez and Natalie Gee.

Commended students from Foster High School are Abigail Black, Hannah Bolin, Soluzondu Chukwuemeka, Clayton Dierschke, Samantha Doherty, Mazen-Adam Hassouna, Mia Huckman, Kayleigh Kan, Dylan Marcheli, David Mills and Reid Richter.

National Merit Semifinalists from Foster High School are Andrew Kunz, Benjamin Wu and Corrine Wang.

Ms. Cole-Hamilton acknowledged students in Family, Career and Community Leaders of America who placed in the organization's national event. Alice Hylton placed first in the Teach and Train – Health Science Students category. Amarachi Ejim, placed first in the Digital Stories for Change category.

Ms. Cole-Hamilton introduced George Ranch High School junior Diana Rahaian who gave a speech to the Board of Trustees as required in her position as a state officer in Family, Career and Community Leaders of America.

INTRODUCTIONS

None

BOARD MEMBER REPORTS

Meetings and Events

Mr. Lambert visited several campuses. He also went on a field trip to Houston Community College – Stafford with CTE students from all high school campuses.

Mrs. Williams attended the Lamar CISD Band Halftime Showcase at Traylor Stadium. She also attended the Maroon Track Bond Town Hall Meeting and thanked the community and staff for being there.

Mrs. Danziger attended the TASA/TASB Convention in San Antonio. She also attended several bond town hall meetings and thanked everyone who showed up for the meetings. Mrs. Danziger attended the Lamar CISD Band Halftime Showcase at Traylor Stadium and attended musicals at Lamar Consolidated, Fulshear and Foster high schools.

Mr. Welch attended several bond town hall meetings and sporting events at Traylor stadium. He also visited Thomas Elementary School, Williams Elementary School, Lamar Consolidated High School and Smith Elementary School.

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Mr. Hunt attended several bond town hall meetings and thanked the community and staff for being there. He announced that there is an upcoming town hall meeting for the gold track and a bond workshop planned for the coming week.

SUPERINTENDENT REPORT

Meetings and Events

Dr. Nivens thanked the staff and community for attending the bond town hall meetings. He also visited his son in Virginia for homecoming.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Congressman Pete Olson invited the Board of Trustees to visit the Flight Museum.

Mr. Don McCoy addressed the Board of Trustees and read a resolution of support for the upcoming bond election.

ITEMS FOR CONSENT OF APPROVAL:

It was moved by Mr. Lambert and seconded by Mrs. Williams that the Board of Trustees approve the consent agenda items, as presented.

Mr. Welch asked for clarification on why the District chose the second ranked construction company. Mr. Buchanan explained the reasons the District terminated negotiations with the top ranking company and chose the second ranked general contractor.

Mr. Welch asked why PBK is chosen as the architect for several of the District's secondary complexes. Mr. Buchanan said that repeating services with PBK provides a cost reduction to the District because much of the design work has already been done.

Mr. Welch asked why the District is again asking for approval on class size waivers. Mr. Bates explained that the District continually reviews class sizes and will bring the request to the Board if class sizes meet the criteria for a waiver.

The motion carried unanimously.

CONSENT AGENDA

Consider Approval of Minutes from the September 20, 2022 Regular Board Meeting

The Board of Trustees approved the minutes.

Consider Ratification of Financial and Investment Reports

The Board of Trustees ratified the financial and investment reports.

Consider Approval of Budget Amendments

The Board of Trustees approved the budget amendments.

Ratification of Quarterly Investment Report: June 1, 2022 - August 31, 2022

The Board of Trustees ratified the Quarterly Investment Report dated June 1, 2022 - August 31, 2022.

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Consider Approval of CSP#19-2022F&P for Steenbergen Middle School

The Board of Trustees approved CSP#19-2022F&P for Steenbergen Middle School.

Consider Approval of Procurement Method for Lamar Consolidated High School, Lamar Junior High School, Long Elementary School, Smith Elementary School and Pink Elementary School

The Board of Trustees approved the procurement method for Lamar Consolidated High School, Lamar Junior High School, Long Elementary School, Smith Elementary School and Pink Elementary School.

Consider Approval of Design Development for Randle Elementary School

The Board of Trustees approved the Design Development for Randle Elementary School.

Consider Approval of Lamar CISD 2022-2023 Professional Development Plan

The Board of Trustees approved the Lamar CISD 2022-2023 Professional Development Plan.

Consider Approval of Resolution Proclaiming Parent Involvement Week

The Board of Trustees approved the resolution proclaiming Parent Involvement Week.

Consider Approval of Resolution Authorizing an Application to the Bullet-Resistant Shield Grant Program

The Board of Trustees approved the resolution authorizing an application to the Bullet-Resistant Shield Grant Program.

Consider Approval of Renewal of Optional Flexible School Day Program Waiver

The Board of Trustees approved the renewal of the optional flexible school day program waiver.

Consider Approval to Submit Class Size State Waiver to the Texas Education Agency

The Board of Trustees approved submitting a class size State waiver to the Texas Education Agency.

Consider Approval of 2022-2023 Campus Improvement Plans

The Board of Trustees approved the 2022-2023 Campus Improvement Plans.

ACTION ITEMS

Consider Approval of Resolution Setting Forth a Nominee to Fill a Vacancy on the Board of Directors of the Fort Bend Central Appraisal District

The Board of Trustees did not submit any nominations.

Consider Approval of Revisions to ESSER Use of Funds Plan

Ms. Ludwig presented revisions to the ESSER use of funds plan to the Board.

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Mr. Welch asked which substitutes will receive the additional substitute pay. Ms. Ludwig said the \$50/day supplement is for long-term substitutes that are dedicated to a campus.

Mr. Welch asked when the \$500 stipend will be received by staff. Ms. Ludwig said the money will be received by mid-November.

Mr. Hunt explained how the Budget Committee decided on stipend payments.

Dr. Nivens clarified that qualifying staff members who have already received the \$500 stipend will not receive another \$500 in mid-November.

It was moved by Mrs. Danziger and seconded by Mr. Welch that the Board of Trustees approve the revisions to the ESSER use of funds plan, as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

INFORMATION ITEMS

Plan to Address Bus Driver Shortage

Mr. Buchanan presented information on options the District is considering to address the bus driver shortages in Lamar CISD.

Mrs. Danziger asked if schools will open early to allow parents the opportunity to drop off students if parents have to go to work. Ms. Cole-Hamilton said this option will be considered.

Mr. Hunt asked how the four-tiered system will impact the bus driver shortage. Mr. Buchanan said the four-tiered system will add extra drivers to every tier of the system, which will allow for normal absences and call-ins without much disruption to the routes.

Mr. Hunt asked if this system would eliminate the double and triple comeback routes. Mr. Buchanan said this tiered system would eliminate all comeback routes at every level and allow drivers to drive for extracurricular activities.

Mr. Welch asked the District to utilize every option available when advertising the survey to staff, students and parents.

FUTURE ACTION ITEMS

None

FUTURE CONSENT ITEMS

Mrs. Williams asked that the discussion of the MOU for Boys and Girls Club after school programming at Navarro Middle School and Pink Elementary School with funding through TCLAS be pulled from the Future Consent Items agenda.

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:

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)

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- c. Employee resignations and retirements (Information)
- d. Deliberate recommendation to terminate probationary and term contracts for good cause pursuant to Texas Government Code Section 551.074
- 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 7:43 p.m. for the purposes listed above.

RECONVENE IN OPEN SESSION

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

It was moved by Mr. Lambert and seconded by Mrs. Bronsell that the Board of Trustees approve the hiring of the Director of Communications, as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

It was moved by Mrs. Danziger and seconded by Mr. Welch that the Board of Trustees approve the hiring of the Director of Transportation, as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Mr. Hunt requested information on conducting an operational audit.

UPCOMING MEETINGS AND EVENTS

Team of Eight Board Training on November 2, 2022

Gold Track Bond Town Hall Meeting on October 19, 2022 at Foster High School

Lamar CISD 75th Birthday Celebration on October 28, 2022

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 8:20p.m.

LAMAR CONSOLIDATED INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

Signed:

Alex Hunt
President of the Board of Trustees

Zach Lambert
Secretary of the Board of Trustees