

Aransas Pass Independent School District
Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting on November 11, 2024

The Aransas Pass Independent School District Board of Trustees held a regular board meeting on November, 2024 in the boardroom located at 2300 McMullen Lane, Suite 600, Aransas Pass, Texas.

President, Wanese Butler; Vice President, John Mullenax; Secretary, Olivia Hill; Trustee, Delfino Flores; Trustee, Victor Galvan; Trustee, David Rector; and Trustee, Terry Stansberry were present. Also present were Superintendent, Dr. Glenn Barnes; Director of Curriculum, Heather Waugh-Hurta; Director of Business and Finance, Melinda Chapa; Assistant Superintendent, Wayne Bennett; Director of Special Programs, Chris Johnson; Faulk Elementary Principal, Eunice Salazar-Banks; Charlie Marshall Elementary Principal, Misty Del Angel; AC Blunt Middle School Principal, Rose Tran; Aransas Pass High School Principal, Joshua Rombs; and other interested parties.

Opening Ceremonies

With a quorum established, President, Wanese Butler called the regular meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Vice President, John Mullenax led the group in the pledges of allegiance to the Texas and United States flags. Trustee, David Rector delivered the invocation.

Public Testimony

At this time President, Wanese Butler opened the meeting for any member of the community who would like to address the board on matters concerning the district. There were none.

District Recognitions

President, Wanese Butler shared a message of recognition in honor of Veterans Day.

The Panthers and Employees of the Month for November 2024 were recognized by the Board and presented a certificate on behalf of the Board by Trustee, David Rector.

Panther of the Month for November 2024

<i>Kesley Cardenas</i>	<i>Faulk</i>
<i>Xander Dupre</i>	<i>Charlie Marshall</i>
<i>Nicholas Young</i>	<i>AC Blunt</i>
<i>Marcella Niedzwiecki</i>	<i>APHS</i>

Employee of the Month for November 2024

<i>Jennifer Blount</i>	<i>Faulk</i>
<i>Linda Lozano</i>	<i>Charlie Marshall</i>
<i>Yolanda Cribb</i>	<i>AC Blunt</i>
<i>Jennifer Coley</i>	<i>APHS</i>
<i>Diane Genovese</i>	<i>Administration</i>
<i>Grant Brou</i>	<i>Maintenance and Transportation</i>

Aransas Pass High School student Marcella Niedzwiecki was recognized for receiving two College Board Awards.

Superintendent's Report

Superintendent, Dr. Glenn Barnes shared an update on the district's attendance and enrollment report from October 11 through November 7, 2024, and the year-to-date enrollment and attendance data. The Board was provided the calendar of upcoming events.

Financial Reports

Information was shared with the Board regarding the accounts payable, budget status and investment, and tax collections reports for October 2024.

Consent Agenda

The item included on the consent agenda for consideration included the Minutes of the October 14, 2024 Regular Board Meeting. Vice President, John Mullenax moved to approve the consent agenda item. Trustee, David Rector seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Board Updates and Topics for Future Meetings

Trustee, Delfino Flores requested the District explore heavy equipment and crane training for students. Vice President, John Mullenax and Trustee, Victor Galvan volunteered to serve on the committee to establish a process for naming facilities. The Board discussed including the process of memorial designation to be included as a task for the committee for naming facilities. The Board reviewed the draft documents for Board Operating and Handbook.

Action Agenda

Information related to the Request for Proposals (RFP) for internet services was provided for consideration. Trustee, Terry Stanberry moved to authorize administration to issue a request for proposals for internet services. Vice President, John Mullenax seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Information related to the request to authorize the Superintendent to execute a new energy supply agreement that begins January 2025 was provided by Ruben De Los Santos of Axeon Interlocal. Secretary, Olivia Hill moved to authorize the Superintendent to execute a new energy supply agreement that begins January 2025 with a best value retail electric supplier for a rate not to exceed \$0.062 cents per kWh with the underlying notion that with the proposed rates the board prefers a 63 month contract unless rates come back at less than \$0.04 cents per kWh. Trustee, Victor Galvan seconded the motion. Motion passed.

The 2024 Tax Levy was provided for consideration. Trustee, Victor Galvan, moved to approve the 2024 tax levy. Secretary, Olivia Hill seconded the motion. Motion passed.

The proposed process for developing and approving a new Panther logo was provided for consideration. Secretary, Olivia Hill moved to approve the Panther logo rebranding process. Trustee, David Rector seconded the motion. Motion passed.

President, Wanese Butler closed the open meeting at 9:19 p.m. and stated that the board would convene in executive session as authorized by the Texas Open Meetings Act, Texas Government Code 551.001 et seq., concerning any and all purposes permitted by the act.

- *Section 551.074 - Personnel*

- *Retiree*
 - *Finalize New Superintendent Evaluation Tool*
- *Section 551.076 Security Devices*
 - *Update from Safety and Security Committee*

The board ended the closed session at 10:32 p.m., and reconvened in open session.

Trustee, Victor Galvan moved to approve the retiree as discussed in executive session. Trustee, Delfino Flores seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Trustee, Victor Galvan moved to approve the new superintendent evaluation tool. Trustee, David Rector seconded the motion. Motion passed.

There being no further business before the board, President, Wanese Butler adjourned the meeting at 10:33 p.m.

Wanese Butler, President

Blaise Miller, Secretary to Board