

Minutes of Regular Meeting

The Board of Trustees Brownwood Independent School District

A Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees of Brownwood Independent School District was held Monday, March 19, 2018 beginning at 6:30 PM at the Central Administration Office located at 2707 Southside Drive. The meeting was called to order by Board President, Michael Cloy. Charles Lowe, pastor of Greater Faith Community Church, gave the invocation. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by East Elementary students, Spencyr Miller and Jacob Lopez.

PRESENT:

Mr. Michael Cloy, President
Mr. Roderick Jones, Sr., Vice President
Dr. Lisa Fowler, Secretary
Mr. Eric Evans, Member
Mr. Tim Jacobs, Member
Mrs. Diane Thompson, Member

OTHERS PRESENT:

Dr. Joe Young, Superintendent
Mrs. Liesa Land, Deputy Superintendent
Dr. Hector Martinez, Assistant Superintendent
Mrs. Kati Burke, Director of Finance
Mrs. Priscilla Monson, BEF Exec. Director/Comm. Rel.
Mrs. Karen Dempsey, Exec. Asst. to the Superintendent

ABSENT:

Mr Brad Jetton, Member

Others Present:

BISD Staff – Mitch Moore, Lindsay Smith, Sandra Richardson, Heidi Gardner, Mitzi Cockerham, Melody Smith and numerous students and parents.

BISD recognized the following groups and individuals and presented them with certificates highlighting their achievements:

- **Selection as the 2018-2019 TAFE Student President:** Kaitlyn Davis
- **District UIL Academic Meet:** Middle School 8th graders who placed in the District UIL Academic Meet

Students from East Elementary then performed a musical number for the Board of Trustees.

The Superintendent's Report included the announcement of the March Teacher and Staff Spotlight honorees, updates on staffing, and a monthly budget report.

The following Departmental Reports were presented:

ESL Report – Mrs. Liesa Land and Mrs. Heidi Gardner prepared an ESL report highlighting how Brownwood ISD meets the needs of students of different native languages. Currently, Brownwood ISD serves students using eight different languages other than English. The district utilizes 55 licenses through Imagine Learning software programming to engage these students in one-on-one interaction. Dr. Young noted that all of BISD's classroom teachers, numerous support and administrative staff have completed the four-hour English Language Proficiency Standards training as required by the Texas Administrative Code.

Community Relations Report – Mrs. Priscilla Monson and Mr. Charles Musgrove presented the annual Community Relations report, highlighting efforts to effectively communicate with BISD families and the Brownwood community. Work done during the past year include a complete website overhaul, the newly instituted SchoolMessenger communication system, and a revised and enhanced Crisis Management plan. Ongoing efforts including website enhancements, media presence and teacher appreciation are underway.

Technology Report – Mr. Mark Stanley presented a Technology Report that highlighted technological advancements in the district ranging from instructional materials such as interactive instructional boards to campus safety measures including a new visitor ID system. Brownwood ISD, in its efforts to continually improve safety and security for its students and staff, is implementing the Raptor Technologies Visitor ID System, which will allow immediate background checks for all visitors to BISD campuses. Additionally, the door access control systems at Brownwood High School and Brownwood Middle School are being upgraded, with the same planned at other campuses. Mr. Stanley also reported on the system of replacing computer equipment on a five-year rotation basis for both students and teachers.

Dr. Young presented ballots to the trustees for the election of area representative to the Region 15 ESC Board, asking for them to vote and submit their ballots to Mrs. Karen Dempsey for submission to the ESC office.

Dr. Hector Martinez presented the details of the proposed five-year contract with Southwest Foodservice Excellence (SFE) for the BISD School Nutrition program. At the conclusion of the RFP process, SFE, the current school nutrition provider, placed the sole bid for the contract. Dr. Martinez highlighted the success of the current SFE program and the improvements to the proposed contract. Trustee Tim Jacobs made the motion to approve the SFE contract, with Trustee Eric Evans seconding the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

Dr. Young presented language to supplement BISD Policy CO (LOCAL) for compliance purposes with a Feed Texas Grant of \$3,602.19 secured by SFE for the district to relieve delinquent student lunch accounts. The grant language requires that local policy address lunch account delinquency limits in terms of number of days rather than dollar limits. The supplemental language proposed alters local policy to allow for a five-day limit to delinquent meal charges rather than a \$10 total. This supplemental language proposal will take effect immediately and remain in effect until the end of the 2017-2018 school year, at which point the original limit of \$10.00 in delinquent charges will again become effective. Trustee Eric Evans moved for approval of the supplemental language as presented, with Trustee Diane Thompson seconding the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

Items on the Consent Agenda were approved unanimously as presented, with a motion by Tim Jacobs and a second by Dr. Lisa Fowler.

The items on the agenda included the following:

- IMA Annual Certification, stating that all subjects required by the state are taught to all required grade levels
- February 9, 2018 Board Meeting Minutes

- February 12, 2018 Board Meeting Minutes
- February 22, 2018 Board Meeting Minutes

The board moved into executive session at 7:08 p.m. to discuss personnel and trustee issues. They returned to open session at 8:04 p.m.

Trustee Eric Evans made the motion to accept the resignation of Trustee Brad Jetton, effective March 9, 2018, due to the proposed district hiring of a family member. Trustee Lisa Fowler seconded the motion, which was unanimously approved.

Trustee Tim Jacobs motioned for the approval of an appointment of Mr. Codie Smith to fill Mr. Jetton's seat on the board until the next board election in November. Trustee Lisa Fowler seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

The meeting adjourned at 8:08 p.m.

Michael Cloy
President

Dr. Lisa Fowler
Secretary