

Minutes of Regular Board Meeting

The Board of Trustees La Vernia Independent School District

A Regular Board Meeting of the Board of Trustees of La Vernia ISD was held Monday, January 20, 2025, beginning at 5:30 PM in the High School Cafeteria, 225 Bluebonnet Road, La Vernia, TX 78121.

Attendance:

Jimmy McFadin: Absent
Ryan Doege: Present
Joel Goode: Present
Drew Herley: Present
Stewart Krisch: Present
Shawn Strey: Present
Jeff Towns: Present

I. Call to Order, Quorum, Pledge, and Invocation – 5:30PM

As Stated on the Notice of Regular Meeting, the Board may convene into Closed Session at any time they deem necessary, under any applicable provision of Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code, including the provision permitting closed session consultation with legal counsel.

The Board President may elect to address any items listed on the Agenda in any sequence.

President Shawn Strey called the meeting to order at 5:30PM, declared a quorum present and led in the Pledge of Allegiance. Trustee Joel Goode led in the Invocation.

II. Public Comment

No one signed up to speak.

III. Board Member Welcome and Remarks

President Shawn Strey made the following remarks.

- Discussed the ongoing implementation of a four-day school schedule, noting its success in retaining staff and its positive reception compared to other districts.

IV. Superintendent Remarks

Dr. Hensley Cone made the following remarks.

- Discussed postponing the football team celebration and board appreciation due to weather. He thanked staff for winter preparations and confirmed school closure due to inclement weather.

V. Discussion and REPORT Items

(1) Bond 2023 Monthly Update

Mr. Garrett Martin, Construction Manager III AG|CM

VI. Discussion and ACTION Items

(1) Pending Bond Payments

Ms. Belinda Raindl, Chief Financial Officer

A. AG|CM

B. Bartlett Cocke

C. Pfluger

D. South Tex Propane

E. Terracon

Ryan Doege move to approve the AGCM Invoice #12158 (\$61,810.50), Bartlett-Cocke Pay Application #3 (\$663,812.00), Pfluger Invoice #13293 (\$26,048.40), Terracon Invoice #TN18524 (\$6,865.00) for payment, and allowing Dr. Cone to approve the South Texas Propane Invoice #LVISD112 (\$5995.00) once further discussions are had. Jeff Towns seconded. This motion, made by Ryan Doege and seconded by Jeff Towns, Passed.

Ryan Doege: Yea, Joel Goode: Yea, Drew Herley: Yea, Stewart Krisch: Yea, Shawn Strey: Yea, Jeff Towns: Yea

(2) Issuance of Building Bonds

Mr. Victor Quiroga, Specialized Public Finance

Drew Herley moved to approve the District's Bond Order - Option #1. Ryan Doege seconded. This motion, made by Drew Herley and seconded by Ryan Doege, Passed.

Ryan Doege: Yea, Joel Goode: Yea, Drew Herley: Yea, Stewart Krisch: Yea, Shawn Strey: Yea, Jeff Towns: Yea

VII. Discussion and REPORT Items

(1) Monthly Financial Report

VIII. Discussion and ACTION Items

(1) Consent Agenda: Items to be approved in one all encompassing motion. If discussion is desired on a particular item, it will be removed from the consent agenda

A. Minutes of the December 16, 2024 Meeting

B. Minutes of the January 13, 2025 Meeting

C. Audit Engagement Letter

Ms. Belinda Raindl, Chief Financial Officer

Ryan Doege moved to approve the consent agenda as presented. Joel Goode seconded. This motion, made by Ryan Doege and seconded by Joel Goode, Passed.

Ryan Doege: Yea, Joel Goode: Yea, Drew Herley: Yea, Stewart Krisch: Yea, Shawn Strey: Yea, Jeff Towns: Yea

IX. Executive Session – 6:50PM

Pursuant to Texas Government Code Sections 551.074

(1) Personnel

X. Open Session – 7:37PM

Reconvene in Open Session, and consider and take possible action on closed session agenda items:

(1) Personnel

No action was taken.

XI. Adjourn – 7:37PM

Ryan Doege moved to adjourn the meeting. Jeff Towns seconded. This motion, made by Ryan Doege and seconded by Jeff Towns, Passed.

Ryan Doege: Yea, Joel Goode: Yea, Drew Herley: Yea, Stewart Krisch: Yea, Shawn Strey: Yea, Jeff Towns: Yea