# WHITE SETTLEMENT INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT OFFICIAL MINUTES September 16, 2024

#### **Members Present**

Ms. Krystal Arnold, Mr. John Bradley, Dr. Jeremy Lelek, Mr. Glen Lowry, Mr. Raymond Patterson, and Ms. Amanda Sanchez

### **School Officials Present**

Mr. Frank Molinar, Mr. David Bitters, and Mr. Chris Jenkins

The meeting was called to order at 5:31 pm. Following roll call, the announcement was made by Mr. John Bradley, Board Vice President, that 6 members of the Board of Trustees present constitutes a quorum.

#### **B. Public Comments**

One person signed up to address the board.

1. Scott Evans- regarding the recording of board meetings and transparency

### C. Closed Meeting

The Board adjourned to closed session at 5:36 p.m.

### D. Reconvene to Open Session

The Board reconvened to open session at 7:08 p.m.

**Campus Spotlight**- North STEAM Academy

### **E.** Information Items

Superintendent's Report

a. Financial Update

Mr. David Bitters, Assistant Superintendent of Finance and Operations, gave a financial update to the Board for August 2024. He then gave a construction update.

b. Instructional Update

Mr. Chris Jenkins, Assistant Superintendent of Curriculum and Instruction, gave an update to the Board regarding the Continuous Improvement Committee. Mr. John Bradley and Ms. Krystal Arnold also provided key takeaways from the Committee Meeting.

c. Board Member Training Update

Mr. Frank Molinar, Superintendent, gave an update regarding current and upcoming Board Member training opportunities.

### F. Consent Items

The motion was made by Mr. Raymond Patterson and seconded by Mr. Glen Lowry to approve consent items 1-4, and 6-11 on the agenda. Consent item #5 was pulled by Mr. John Bradley to be voted on separately.

- 1. Approve Minutes of August 19, 2024 Regular Meeting
- 2. Consider Monthly Expenditures for August 2024
- 3. Consider Approval of Amended Budgets
- 4. Consider Memorandum of Understanding with YMCA for the Blue Haze After School Program
- 5. Consider Policy Update 123
- 6. Consider Approval of Student Physical Education Exemption Waiver
- 7. Consider Approval of Vendor for Purchase of Smartboards for Brewer Middle School and the 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Center
- 8. Consider Ratification of Vendor for Asbestos Abatement at Liberty Elementary School
- 9. Consider Ratification of Vendor for Asbestos Abatement at West Elementary School
- 10. Consider Approval of Memorandum of Understanding between White Settlement ISD Police Department and the City of White Settlement Police Department
- 11. Consider Ratifying Purchase of SameGoal Special Education/504 Software

Motion carried with 6 Ayes, 0 Nays

### **#5.** Consider Policy Update 123

The motion was made by Ms. Amanda Sanchez and seconded by Dr. Jeremy Lelek to approve Policy Update 123 as presented (see attached Instruction Sheet).

Motion carried with 5 Ayes, 1 Abstention, 0 Nays

#### G. Separate Items

#### 1. Consider Approval of Vendor for District Electricity Service Agreement

Mr. Glen Lowry made the motion and seconded by Ms. Krystal Arnold to approve the vendor for District Electricity Service Agreement as presented.

Motion carried with 6 Ayes, 0 Nays

### 2. Consider Approval of Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) for District Wide HVAC Evaluation with Ameresco

Ms. Amanda Sanchez made the motion and seconded by Dr. Jeremy Lelek to approve the MOU for District Wide HVAC Evaluation with Ameresco as presented.

Motion carried with 6 Ayes, 0 Nays

### 3. Consider Approval of Campus and District Improvement Plans

Mr. Glen Lowry made the motion and seconded by Ms. Krystal Arnold to approve the Campus and District Improvement Plans as presented.

Motion carried with 6 Ayes, 0 Nays

### 4. Consider Approval of House Bill 3 Goals

Mr. Raymond Patterson made the motion and seconded by Dr. Jeremy Lelek to approve the House Bill 3 Goals as presented.

Motion carried with 6 Ayes, 0 Nays

#### 5. Consider Ratification of Vendor for Purchase of Metal Detectors

Ms. Amanda Sanchez made the motion and seconded by Ms. Krystal Arnold to approve the vendor for purchase of metal detectors as presented.

Motion carried with 6 Ayes, 0 Nays

### <u>6. Consider Approval of Vendor for Weight Equipment in the New Gymnasium at Brewer High</u> School

Mr. Glen Lowry made the motion and seconded by Dr. Jeremy Lelek to approve the vendor for purchase of weight equipment in the new gymnasium at Brewer High School as presented.

Motion carried with 6 Ayes, 0 Nays

### 7. Consider Amending the Approved Vendors for Special Education Contract Services for the 2024-2025 School Year

Mr. Glen Lowry made the motion and seconded by Ms. Krystal Arnold to approve amending the approved vendors for Special Education Contract Services for the 2024-2025 school year as presented.

Motion carried with 6 Ayes, 0 Nays

### 8. Consideration and possible action regarding approval of a finding in accordance with Texas Education Code Section 21.210 (c)(2) and 19 Texas Administrative Code 249.14 (j), that good cause

### did not exist for Brandie Hendryx, term contract teacher, to abandon her employment contract position, and attempt to resign from White Settlement ISD

Ms. Amanda Sanchez made the motion to move that the Board issue a finding in accordance with Texas Education Code Section 21.210(c)(2) and 19 Texas Administrative Code 249.14(j), that good cause did not exist for Brandie Hendryx, a term contract teacher, to abandon her employment contract, abandon her position, and attempt to resign from White Settlement ISD. Motion was seconded by Mr. Raymond Patterson.

Motion carried with 6 Ayes, 0 Nays

## 9. Consideration and possible action regarding notification to the TEA/State Board for Educator Certification of probationary/term contract teacher Brandie Hendryx concerning abandonment of her employment contract and seeking sanctions for abandonment of her position

Ms. Amanda Sanchez made the motion to move that the Board authorize the Board President to send written notifications to Ms. Hendryx and the TEA/State Board for Educator Certification seeking sanctions for Ms. Hendryx's abandonment of her employment contract. Motion was seconded by Dr. Jeremy Lelek.

Motion carried with 6 Ayes, 0 Nays

### H. Consider Items Discussed in Closed Meeting Including Personnel

The motion was made by Mr. Raymond Patterson and seconded by Ms. Krystal Arnold to approve the resignations of Kimberly Auvenshine, Lori Calicott, Amber Collins, Yolanda Glass, Timothy Payton, and Phillip Pulliam, and the appointments of Meredith McDaniel, Karen McKenzie, Jayme Pruett, Ashley Takaki, and Tyler Wynne as presented.

Motion carried with 6 Ayes, 0 Nays

I. Adjourn

The meeting adjourned at 8:27 p.m.		
	President	
Secretary	-	