

**Aransas Pass Independent School District**  
*Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting on November 13, 2023*

*The Aransas Pass Independent School District Board of Trustees held a regular board meeting on November 13, 2023 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. Acting Superintendent, Wayne Bennett; Director of Business and Finance, Melinda Chapa; Director of Curriculum and Instruction, Shelley Dominguez; Director of Technology, Jason Brou; Director of Maintenance and Transportation, Jason Divin; Aransas Pass High School Principal, Joshua Rombs; AC Blunt Middle School Principal, Elizabeth Ward; Charlie Marshall Elementary Principal, Rheanna Picarazzi; Faulk Elementary Principal, Jodie Algueseva; City of Aransas Pass City Manager, Gary Edwards; and other interested parties.*

**Opening Ceremonies**

*With a quorum established, President, Wanese Butler called the regular meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Secretary, Olivia Hill 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**

*The Panthers and Employees of the Month for November 2023 were recognized by the Board and presented a certificate on behalf of the Board by Trustee, David Rector.*

*Panther of the Month for November 2023*

<i>Lincoln Guerrero</i>	<i>Faulk</i>
<i>Judith Festervand</i>	<i>Charlie Marshall</i>
<i>Harlie Guerrero</i>	<i>AC Blunt</i>
<i>Alondra Garza</i>	<i>APHS</i>

*Employee of the Month for November 2023*

<i>Joe Gonzales</i>	<i>Faulk</i>
<i>Betty Stark</i>	<i>Charlie Marshall</i>
<i>Daniel Dubois</i>	<i>AC Blunt</i>
<i>George Hernandez</i>	<i>APHS</i>
<i>Chris Johnson</i>	<i>Administration</i>
<i>Florencio Gonzalez</i>	<i>Maintenance and Transportation</i>

*The maintenance and transportation staff recognized Jason Divin on the anniversary of his employment with APISD.*

**Presentations**

*Aransas Pass City Manager Gary Edwards presented the Navigate 2044 comprehensive plan for the City of Aransas Pass.*

*Curriculum Director, Shelley Dominguez provided an overview of the curriculum department.*

### ***Superintendent's Report***

*Acting Superintendent, Wayne Bennett provided the attendance and enrollment report from September 26 through November 10, 2023. Mr. Bennett also shared an update on the status of the JET Grant for welding and health science, a first-reading of the TASB-initiated policy update 122, and the calendar of upcoming events.*

### ***Financial Reports***

*Information was shared with the Board regarding the accounts payable, budget status and investment, tax collections, and ESSER expenditure reports for October 2023.*

### ***Board Updates***

*Secretary, Olivia Hill provided an update on the status of the Board Code of Conduct and Operating Procedures review.*

### ***Consent Agenda***

*The items included on the consent agenda for consideration included the minutes of the October 9, 2023 Regular Board Meeting and the October 9, October 11, October 12, and October 17, 2023 Special Board Meetings.*

*Trustee, Victor Galvan moved to approve the consent agenda items. Vice President, John Mullenax seconded the motion. Motion passed.*

### ***Action Agenda***

*The memorandum of understanding with Del Mar College for the Dual Credit and Continuing Education programs was provided for consideration. Trustee, Terry Stansberry moved to approve the memorandum of understanding with Del Mar College for the Dual Credit and Continuing Education programs. Trustee, David Rector seconded the motion. Motion passed.*

*The memorandum of understanding with Del Mar College for the Pathways in Technology Early College High School (P-TECH) Dual Credit and Continuing Education Programs was provided for consideration. Trustee, Terry Stansberry moved to approve the memorandum of understanding with Del Mar College for the Pathways in Technology Early College High School (P-TECH) Dual Credit and Continuing Education Programs. Vice President, John Mullenax seconded the motion. Motion passed.*

*The resolution to cast votes for the San Patricio County Appraisal District Board of Directors Election was provided for consideration. Vice President, John Mullenax moved to distribute the District's 144 votes equally to the nominees nominated by the City of Aransas Pass: John Curlee, Dr. Anne Matula, William Swisher, Marcela "Marcy" Thormaehelen, and Bill T. Wilson III. Trustee, David Rector seconded the motion. Motion passed 5-2 with President, Wanese Butler, and Secretary, Olivia Hill voting nay.*

*The annual retainer renewal packet from Walsh Gallegos Trevino Kyle and Robinson P.C. was provided for consideration. Trustee, Victor Galvan moved to approve the legal services retainer agreement with Walsh Gallegos Trevino Kyle and Robinson PC. Secretary, Olivia Hill seconded the motion. Motion passed.*

***Discussion***

*At this time, President, Wanese Butler opened discussion for topics for future meetings. There was none.*

*President, Wanese Butler closed the open meeting at 8:36 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:*
  - *Resignation*
  - *Superintendent Search Process Follow-Up and Closing*
  - *Superintendent Evaluation Tool(s)*

*The board ended the closed session at 9:11 p.m., and reconvened in open session.*

*Trustee, Delfino Flores moved to approve the resignation as discussed in executive session. Vice President, John Mullenax seconded the motion. Motion passed.*

*There being no further business before the board, President, Wanese Butler adjourned the meeting at 9:11 p.m.*

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*Wanese Butler, President*

*Blaise Miller, Secretary to Board*