

CALLED MEETING OF BOARD OF EDUCATION
Stephenville, Texas 76401

August 28, 2023

The Stephenville Independent School District met in Called Session at 5:30 pm in the Bond Auditorium of the Administration Building, August 28, 2023 with the following members present:

Mr. Chad Elms, President	Mrs. Sherrie Evans
Mr. Donny Hill, Vice President	Mr. Ben McCleery
Dr. Robert Barberee, Secretary	Mr. Matt Miller
Dr. Ed Dittfurth	

School Personnel Present: Superintendent Dr. Eric Cederstrom, Mr. Tim Sherrod, Ms. Kathy Hampton, Mrs. Mica Rudd, Mrs. Krista Skiles, Dr. Josh Holt, Mr. John Briese, Mr. Tom Airola, Mrs. Jennifer Salyards, and Mrs. Norma Cervetto.

Others Present: Mr. Mark Ball with Hellas Construction.

Invocation

The Invocation was provided by Mr. Donny Hill.

Recited U.S. and Texas Pledges of Allegiance

The U.S. and Texas Pledges of Allegiance were led by Mr. Chad Elms.

I. Call to Order and Announce Quorum Present

President Elms called the meeting to order and announced a quorum present.

II. Approval of Consent Agenda

The motion was made by Mr. Miller and seconded by Mr. McCleery to approve the consent agenda as presented including:

- Minutes: August 21, 2023 – Regular Meeting
- Approve Proposal for Tennis Courts - Hellas Construction

All members voted in favor of the motion. The motion carried.

III. Heard the Safety and Security Audit Report

Ms. Kathy Hampton presented the Safety and Security Audit results.

IV. Approval of Resolution for Committed Funds

The motion was made by Dr. Dittfurth and seconded by Mrs. Evans to approve the Resolution to Commit Fund Balance as presented. A copy of the Resolution to Commit Fund Balance is attached hereto and shall become an official part of these minutes.

All members voted in favor of the motion. The motion carried.

V. Required Public Hearing on the Proposed 2023-2024 Budget and Tax Rates

Mr. Tim Sherrod, Executive Director for Finance & Operations presented the 2023-2024 budget and tax rates.

2023- President Elms opened the floor for the required public hearing on the proposed 2024 budget and tax rates.

VI. Approval of Order Authorizing the Defeasement and Redemption of Outstanding Bonds of Stephenville Independent School District

The motion was made by Dr. Dittfurth and seconded by Mrs. Evans to approve the Order Authorizing the Defeasement and Redemption of Outstanding Bonds of Stephenville Independent School District. A copy of the Order is attached hereto and shall become an official part of these minutes.

All members voted in favor of the motion. The motion carried.

VII. Approval to Adopt the Proposed Budget for Stephenville Independent School District 2023-2024

The motion was made by Dr. Dittfurth and seconded by Mr. McCleery to adopt the 2023-2024 Budget for General Operating, Food Service, and Debt Service as presented.

All members voted in favor of the motion. The motion carried.

VIII. Approval to Adopt the Proposed Tax Rate for the Stephenville Independent School District for 2023-2024

The motion was made by Mr. Miller and seconded by Dr. Barberee that the board approve the Resolution to set the 2023 tax rate which does not exceed the no-new tax rate. A motion to adopt an ordinance, resolution, or order setting the tax rate

does not require language about "tax increase" as stated in section 26.05(b) of the Property Tax Code. A copy of the Resolution is attached hereto and shall become an official part of these minutes.

All members voted in favor of the motion. The motion carried.

IX. Approval of Board Resolution to Establish Non-Business Days for Public Information Act

The motion was made by Mr. Miller and seconded by Mrs. Evans to approve the Board Resolution to Establish Non-Business Days for Public Information Act. A copy of the Resolution is attached hereto and shall become an official part of these minutes.

All members voted in favor of the motion. The motion carried.

X. Closed Session

President Elms announced to those present that the Board would adjourn into Closed Session pursuant to the provisions of Section 551.071 through and/or 551.086 at approximately 6:28 pm.

- Discuss Personnel Matters and/or Hear Complaints against Personnel (551.074)
 - Deliberate appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties or discipline of contract and/or at-will employees
- Discuss purchase, exchange, lease, or value of real property (551.072)
- Discuss the deployment, specific occasions for, or implementation of, security personnel or devices (551.076)

XI. Open Session

The Board reconvened to Open Session at approximately 8:49 pm.

XII. Approval of SISD Guardian Program Guidelines 2023

The motion was made by Mr. Miller and seconded by Dr. Barberee to accept the SISD Guardian Program Guideline 2023 revisions.

All members voted in favor of the motion. The motion carried.

XIII. Adourn

No further business appearing before the Board, the meeting adjourned.

ATTEST: _____ CORRECT: _____

Secretary

President