



BELLVILLE INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

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BISD BOARD BRIEF-SEPTEMBER 2019

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

6:30pm-10:24pm

- Meeting was called to order by Board President Grant Lischka at 6:30pm.
- Innovation provided by Reverend Leann Brechin of Industry First United Methodist Church
- Pledges to the United States & Texas Flags led by West End 5th grader Logan Lewis.
- Presentations/Recognitions:
 - Mrs. Wade's students from West End shared their lessons and learning about density with the BISD board of Trustees.
 - Presentation of a \$500 donation to each campus from RAP for schools anti-drug and anti-bullying efforts
- There were no participants in the Public Forum.

REPORTS & DISCUSSION ITEMS

- Campus Reports were shared out by each principal highlighting enrollment & activities.
- Monthly Financial Report was presented by Dennis Jurek, Asst. Superintendent of Finance & Operations
- Superintendent's Report was presented by Nicole Poenitzsch, Superintendent
 - Current Enrollment: 2193; Budgeted Enrollment 2195; Prior Enrollment 2196
- The BISD Board of Trustees discussed the first draft of locally developed Board Operating Procedures
- The Superintendent shared information with the Board of Trustees regarding the steps to consider to become a District of Innovation. Items for further discussion include:
 - Formation of a committee to develop a comprehensive Innovation Plan;
 - Possible consideration of school start date, class size, committee composition, development of a local appraisal system
- The Asst. Superintendent of Finance & Operations and Superintendent discussed next steps for developing a committee and engaging a third party evaluator to assist in the development of a capital improvement and long-range facilities plan.
- The Asst. Superintendent of Finance & Operations & Superintendent made the Board aware of some of the information gathering and analysis that will need to take place between now and February to consider options with the I&S tax rate including:
 - A financial efficiency study;
 - A capital assessment and long-range facilities plan

EXECUTIVE SESSION

8:51pm-10:24pm

- Motion to adjourn to Executive Session was made by Dusty Yantis, Seconded by Vince Ruffino (Vote 7-0)
 - Discussion of personnel and resignations;
 - Discussion of the purchase, exchange, lease, or value of real property;
 - Private consultation with the Board's attorney regarding property litigation or other litigation specifically the request for waiver of penalty and interest from BI Holdings, LLC pursuant to Tax Code Section 33.011 (551.071);
 - Discussion of the Superintendent's performance and request for consideration of joint employment with Texas A&M University
- Reconvene in Open Session at 10:24pm
 - Motion made by Andy Murrell, Seconded by Dusty Yantis to to deny the application for waiver of penalty and interest submitted by BI Holdings, LLC pursuant to Tax Code Section 33.011 as there was found no error committed by the Appraisal District causing the payment to be late. (Vote 7-0)

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- Motion made by Jim Batson, Seconded by Dusty Yantis to approve the Superintendent's employment with Texas A&M in the capacity of adjunct professor for the spring semester. (Vote 7-0)

CONSENT AGENDA

- Motion made Dusty Yantis, Seconded by Andy Murrell to approve the consent agenda. (Vote 7-0)
 - Approval of minutes from August 22, 2019 Regular Board Meeting
 - Approval of MOU with Texas AgriLife Waller County to recognize 4H as an extracurricular activity
 - Approval of members for the 2019-2020 SHAC Committee
 - Approval of member for the 2019-2020 Instructional Materials Adoption Committee

ACTION ITEMS

- Motion by Andy Murrell, Seconded by Vince Ruffion to award the bid for replacement of the BHS Auditorium Curtains (Vote: 7-0);
- Motion by Kenneth Stein, Seconded by Dusty Yantis to terminate agreement for advisory services with Frost Bank (Vote 7-0);
- Motion by Dusty Yantis, Seconded by Kenneth Stein to engage in agreement with Specialized Public Finance, Inc. for financial advisory services (Vote 7-0);
- Motion by Jim Batson, Seconded by Vince Ruffino to approve the Superintendent's Evaluation Tool (Vote 7-0)

BOARD REPORT

- Board President Grant Lischka reported that:
 - The Board will need to hold a meeting on October 8 at 7:30am to award bids for the additional renovation work to be done at the BHS Auditorium.

A motion to adjourn at 10:37pm was made by Dusty Yantis, Seconded by Karen Winn. (Vote 7-0)

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