# Aransas Pass Independent School District

Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting on January 13, 2025

The Aransas Pass Independent School District Board of Trustees held a regular board meeting on January 13, 2024 in the boardroom located at 2300 McMullen Lane, Suite 600, Aransas Pass, Texas.

Vice President, John Mullenax; Trustee, Delfino Flores; Trustee, Victor Galvan; Trustee, Terry Stansberry; and Trustee David Rector were present. Also present were Superintendent, Dr. Glenn Barnes; Director of Curriculum, Heather Waugh-Hurta; Director of Business and Finance, Melinda Chapa; Assistant Superintendent, Wayne Bennett; Director of Special Programs, Chris Johnson; Faulk Elementary Principal, Eunice Salazar-Banks; Charlie Marshall Elementary Principal, Misty Del Angel; AC Blunt Middle School Principal, Rose Tran; Aransas Pass High School Principal, Joshua Rombs; and other interested parties.

Absent were President, Wanese Butler and Secretary, Olivia Hill.

# **Opening Ceremonies**

With a quorum established, Vice President, John Mullenax called the regular meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Trustee, Delfino Flores 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 Vice President, John Mullenax opened the meeting for any member of the community who would like to address the board on matters concerning the district.

Donovan Bennett: You're Community we had conversation last month about the misuse of power within this board to address personal issues against our community and I don't feel like this board is actually representing well I feel like there's you know talking with other citizens you to stand up and them we I feel like we you know sounds moment occasion to have a football coach here that didn't take long we feel like you know there's a misjustice and misuse but I will warn everyone of you card this year we have strategic candidates that will be here there will be seats changing will power changing sh candidates that do not use their power to cover up certain things right now but I let you know you're on notice we don't appreciate comments on theic about you're not going to change your mind you're not listen what the concerned citizens of this community feel that's unacceptable I'm looking right at you because you know who said my point with all this is this is going to change this community is sick and tired of the same old same old they're tired of people using their position to influence other members other people and decisions that do not Community wants thank you thank

Ryan Reagan: My name is Ryan Reagan I live at 438 Chicken Creek Road in Goliad Texas I used to be here but I'm not anymore because of the coward this board that's in that sits right here the decisions they make are a core for the community and for the teachers and for the staff of this of this school district I'm going to talk to you about Coach Taylor right now that was a horrible decision to get rid of him all you wanted was improvement from coach Taylor and I want to tell you right now that man improved every aspect of this football program you want to look at his schedule you guys don't even competing against anybody and this school goes downhill you want to look at coach Taylor's schedule Eda number three in the state golad number seven in the state Orange Grove those guys are a 4A playoff team that came down and played 3A London they

dominated South District when they were down there and Ingleside a 4A playoff team with multiple College athletes on that team that's five automatic losses for most teams in this state they have to play those teams and you took that and held it against him the other five teams he played against if you guys did any math at all and you told him it was just an excuse the other five teams they were outscored by 12 points in those five games 110 to 122 and you held that against them Improvement every single year they had more all district players this year than they have in the last seven years and you fired him you fired him because he made improvements every year you want him to be faster you want to be better these are his young kids coming up and now competing the kids that he started out with in junior high are now competing at the high school level and they are showing Improvement every year and you fired him he was a great guy cared about the kids one thing y'all need to understand is no one leaves AIS past school district and does worse when you leave this District whether you're a coach or a teacher you do better no matter what district you go to you do better the coach do better the coaches have a better record and he cared about this district and he gave everything he had improving every year and you fired him you want to look at some teams volleyball's gone downhill basketball's not going to be District champs this year softball when they lost Joselyn they couldn't win a game you going to go after Flores you're not they went from a extremely good winning team they lost one player so is it because they don't have a coach or is it because they lost their players they went from District Champs to no wins in

District and you're going to go and you're going to go after him for that you're going to go after coach Taylor for making improvements every year the only program in the last four years that made improvements every single year and you fired him the only one look at the records of every team the only program that made improvements and you fired you I don't know what I don't know who pulls your little puppet string around here and yall are my friends but this was wrong I don't know who pulls your puppet strings and I don't know who politically has y politically handcuffed around here but that decision has makes no sense to anyone in this community no one has made sense of that one yet thank you good luck Mr Davis.

#### District Recognitions

The Panthers and Employees of the Month for January 2025 were recognized by the Board and presented a certificate on behalf of the Board by Trustee, David Rector.

#### Panther of the Month for January 2025

Monique Sanchez Faulk

Cataleya Juarez Charlie Marshall

Kaylee Burgess AC Blunt Garrett Bennett APHS

Employee of the Month for January 2025

Laura Juarez Faulk

Maria Sprayberry Charlie Marshall

Dawn Storey AC Blunt Jeran Jongema APHS

Susan Ranslelen Administration

Charmine Nunez Maintenance and Transportation

#### Superintendent's Report

Superintendent, Dr. Glenn Barnes shared an update on the district's attendance and enrollment report from December 5 through January 10, and the year-to-date enrollment and attendance data. Dr. Barnes also provided an update on upcoming events, and a reminder of the Strategic Roundtable with Moak Casey on January 23, 2025.

# Financial Reports

Information was shared with the Board regarding the accounts payable, budget status and investment, and tax collections reports for December 2024.

# Consent Agenda

The item included on the consent agenda for consideration included the minutes of the December 9, 2024 Regular Board Meeting. Trustee, Victor Galvan moved to approve the consent agenda item. Trustee President, Dvid Rector seconded the motion. Motion passed.

# **Board Updates and Topics for Future Meetings**

Vice President John Mullenax asked that trustees review the updated Board Calendar for any revisions coming into the new year. Vice President John Mullenax asked for the Naming Process and Memorial Designation Committee update.

### Action Agenda

The order of election and notice of election for the May 3, 2025 Board election for places 1, 2, 5, and 7 for four-year terms were provided by administration for the Board's review. Trustee David Rector moved to approve the order of election and notice of election as presented by administration. Trustee, Victor Galvan seconded the motion. Motion passed.

The joint election services contract for the joint elections of Aransas Pass ISD and the City of Aransas Pass conducted by the San Patricio County Election Administrator was provided for consideration. Trustee Victor Galvan moved to approve the joint election services contract with the San Patricio County Election Administrator. Trustee, Delfino Flores seconded the motion. Motion passed.

The budget amendment to utilize fund balance for the repair of a broken fiber line in the concession stand in the amount of \$12,500.00 was presented by Director of Technology Jason Brou. Trustee Victor Galvan moved to approve the budget amendment. Trustee Delifino Flores seconded the motion. Motion passed.

A donation from the Ed Rachal Foundation for the ACE program was provided for consideration. Trustee Victor Galvan moved to approve the donation as presented. Second Motion by Trustee David Rector. Motion passed.

The budget amendment #6 for the donation from Ed Rachal Foundation for the ACE program was provided for consideration. Trustee Victor Galvan moved to approve the donation. Seconded by Trustee Delifino Flores. Motion passed.

The budget amendment #7 for renovation of the football practice field was provided for consideration. Trustee Victor Galvan moved to approve the budget amendment. Second Motion by Trustee David Rector. Motion passed.

The Memorandum of Understanding between Del Mar College and Aransas Pass ISD For high school equivalency preparation courses and college and career readiness programs for English as a Second Language learners was provided for consideration. Trustee Victor Galvan moved to approve the MOU between Del Mar College and APISD for high school equivalency preparation courses and college and career readiness programs for English as a Second Language learners. Second Motion by Trustee David Rector. Motion passed.

Vice President, John Mullenax closed the open meeting at 7:57 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:
  - New Hire- Athletic Director
  - New Hire Information
  - New Hire DOI
- Section 551.076 Security Devices

*The board ended the closed session at 8:50 p.m., and reconvened in open session.* 

Trustee Delfino Flores moved to approve the new hire for the athletic director position as discussed in closed session. Trustee, David Rector seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Trustee Victor Galvan moved to approve two new hires, Lisa Durhan Counselor for A.C.Blunt Middle School and Kimberly Clark teacher at Faulk Elementary and Utilizing the District of Innovation option for a kindergarten teacher at Faulk Elementary. Second Motion by Trustee David Rector, Motion Passed.

There being no further business before the board, Vice President, John Mullenax adjourned the meeting at 8:55 p.m.

Wanese Butler, President

Jenna Adame, Board Executive Assistant