

REGULAR MEETING OF BOARD OF EDUCATION
Stephenville, TX. 76401

May 20, 2024

The Stephenville Independent School District Board of Education met in Regular Session at 5:30 pm in the Bond Auditorium of the Administration Building, May 20, 2024 with the following members present:

Mr. Chad Elms, President (President Elect)	Mr. Matt Miller
Mr. Donny Hill, Vice President	Mr. Ben McCleery
Dr. Robert Barberee, Secretary (Secretary Elect)	Mr. Douglas Young (Board Member Elect)
Dr. Rita Cook (Board Member Elect)	

School Board Members Absent: Mrs. Sherrie Evans and Dr. Ed Dittfurth

School Personnel Present: Superintendent Dr. Eric Cederstrom, Mr. Tim Sherrod, Ms. Kathy Hampton, Mrs. Kelly Magin, Mr. John Briese, Mrs. Stephanie Traweek, Mrs. Mica Rudd, Mr. Victor Saucedo, Mr. Sterling Doty, Mrs. Renee Goodwin, Mr. Tom Airola, Mrs. Michelle McNutt, Mr. Shelby Sharp, Mrs. Brenda Perez, Mrs. Jennifer Salyards, Mrs. Michele Ponder, Mr. Jason Hodges, Mrs. Brenda Perez, Mrs. Robin Kimbrough, Ms. Mindy McCleskey, Mrs. Becky Hodges, Mrs. Courtney Mallory, Mrs. Kelly Montieth, Mrs. Daphne Jones, Mrs. Tisha Young, Mrs. Paige Castleberry, Mrs. Kim Kaiser, Mrs. Kelly Eakin, Mrs. Shannel Landeros, Mrs. Melina Thompson, Mrs. Rachel Kammerer and Mrs. Norma Cervetto.

Others: Erath County District Judge Jason Cashon, Mr. Bailey McDonald and Mr. Robert Taliaferro with Crossland.

Invocation

The Invocation as provided by Lucy Espinoza, SHS student.

Recited U.S. and Texas Pledges of Allegiance

The U.S. and Texas Pledges of Allegiance were led by Madi Rust, SHS student.

I. Call to Order and Announce Quorum Present

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

II. Proclamations/Recognitions

The following Proclamations and Recognitions were presented:

- Recognize Dr. Ed Dittfurth for school board service – Core Value (Integrity)
- SHS: FCCLA
- SHS: Golf
- SHS: Honeybee Basketball
- SHS: OAP
- SHS: State Theatrical Design
- Elementary Teacher of the Year – Ginger Jones
- Secondary Teacher of the Year – Danielle Carey

III. Presentation of Certificates of Election to newly elected school board members, Administer Statement of Elected Officers and Oaths of Office to newly school board members

Certificates of Election were presented to newly elected school board members. Erath County District Judge Jason Cashon administered the Statement of Elected Officers and Oaths of Office to newly elected school board members.

IV. Organization of the Board and Election of Officers for 2024-2025

President

Superintendent Cederstrom opened the floor for nominations for the office of President.

The motion was made by Mr. McCleery and seconded by Mr. Miller to nominate Mr. Chad Elms for the office of President.

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

President Elms opened the floor for nominations for the office of Vice-President.

Vice-President

The motion was made by Mr. Elms and seconded by Mr. McCleery to nominate Mr. Donny Hill for the office of Vice-President.

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

President Elms opened the floor for nominations for the office of Secretary.

Secretary

The motion was made by Mr. Hill to nominate Mr. Matt Miller for the office of Secretary

The motion was made by Mr. Elms to nominate Dr. Robert Barberee for the office of Secretary. Mr. Miller stated that due to additional compliance procedures and transparency he does not feel that he should serve in this capacity. Mr. Miller seconded the nomination for Dr. Robert Barberee as Secretary.

Other items included were as follows:

- Complete Authorization for Release/Disclosure of Personal Information
- Complete Conflict of Interest forms

Approval of Time, Place and Dates for Regular Board Meetings for 2024-2025

The motion was made by Mr. Miller and seconded by Mr. Elms to approve the time, place and dates for Regular Board Meetings for 2024-2025. A copy of the schedule is attached hereto and shall become an official part of these minutes.

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

V. Approval of Consent Agenda

The motion was made by Mr. Miller and seconded by Dr. Barberee to approve the Consent Agenda including:

- Minutes: April 15, 2024 – Regular Meeting
- Minutes: May 15, 2024 – Called Meeting
- Review Check Registry
- Review of Additional Vendors
- Month Financial Statements
- Budget Amendments
- TASB Energy Cooperative Fixed Rate Transportation Fuel Pool

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

VI. Approval of adoption of a Resolution Authorizing the Replacement of the Bank of New York Mellon Trust Company, N.A., as Paying Agent/Registrar for the Stephenville Independent School District's Outstanding Debt Obligations and the Appointment of a Successor Paying Agent/Registrar for Such Debt Obligations

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

VII. Approval of Compensation Plan for 2024-2025 School Year

The motion was made by Dr. Barberee and seconded by Mr. Hill to approve the Compensation Plan for 2024-2025 as presented. A copy of the Compensation Plan for 2024-2025 is attached hereto and shall become an official part of these minutes.

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

VIII. Approval to Table Action Item IX – Consider Approval of Contract with Hellas for Tennis Courts

The motion was made by Mr. McCleery and seconded by Mr. Elms to table Action Item IX – Consider Approval of Contract with Hellas for Tennis Courts regarding a change in design.

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

IX. Approval for ESC XI Service Contracts for 2024-2025

The motion was made by Mr. Hill and seconded by Mr. Elms to approve the ESC XI Service Contracts for 2024-2025.

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

X. Approval of HS Science Adoption

The motion was made by Mr. Miller and seconded by Mr. McCleery to approve the HS Science Adoption as presented.

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

XI. Stadium Update

Mr. Bailey McDonald and Mr. Robert Taliaferro with Crossland presented the stadium update.

XII. Superintendent's Report

-SISD Department Showcase – Summer Maintenance Projects – Tom Airola

-SLI Training Dates:

-SLI San Antonio: June 12-15, 2024

-SLI Fort Worth: June 19-22, 2024

-tx EDCON (TASA/TASB) – San Antonio TX. (September 27-29, 2024)

- Graduation: May 24, 2024 – 8:00 pm
- Other

XIII. Closed Session

President Elms announced to those present that the Board would adjourn into Closed Session pursuant to the provisions of Section 551.071 and/or 551.086 at approximately 7:23 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)

XIV. Open Session

The Board reconvened to Open Session at approximately: 8:03 pm

XV. Personnel

The following personnel action was approved as recommended by Dr. Cederstrom:

Resignations:

Kelly Fisher – Kindergarten Teacher – Central Elementary
Effective: May 24, 2024

Cynthia Velazquez – Bilingual Kindergarten Teacher – Central Elementary
Effective: May 24, 2024

Marla Bragg – 1st Grade Teacher – Chamberlin Elementary
Effective: May 24, 2024

Jennilee Tamplen – 2nd Grade Teacher – Chamberlin Elementary
Effective: May 24, 2024

Katelyn Barnes – Special Ed Behavior Teacher – Central Elementary/Chamberlin Elementary
Effective: May 24, 2024

Goldie Scott – Dyslexia Teacher – Hook Elementary
Effective: May 24, 2024 (Retirement)

Sherry Rasmuson – Elementary Counselor – Gilbert Intermediate
Effective: June 12, 2024 (Retirement)

Bethany Bullion – 5th Grade ELA/SS Teacher – Gilbert Intermediate
Effective: May 24, 2024

Shelby Patterson – 5th Grade Math Teacher – Gilbert Intermediate
Effective: May 24, 2024

Tisha Gray – 6th Grade Math Teacher – Gilbert Intermediate
Effective: May 24, 2024

Mattie Pollard – 5th Grade ELA/SS Teacher – Gilbert Intermediate
Effective: May 24, 2024

Kayla Garrett – MTSS Math Teacher – Gilbert Intermediate
Effective: May 24, 2024

Rachel Truss – Secondary Science Teacher (Recently Assigned Spanish Teacher) –
Henderson Jr. High
Effective: May 24, 2024

Tara Lindley – Secondary ELA Teacher – Henderson Jr. High
Effective: May 24, 2024

Pam Jones – PALS Teacher/Girls Coach – Henderson Jr. High
Effective: May 24, 2024 (Retirement)

Scott Davis – 7th Grade Social Studies Teacher/Boys Coach – Henderson Jr. High
Effective: May 24, 2024

April Harmon – Part-Time Intervention Teacher – Henderson Jr. High
Effective: May 24, 2024

Taylor Thompson – Secondary Math Teacher – Stephenville High School
Effective: May 24, 2024

Anna Curtis – Life Skills Teacher – Stephenville High School
Effective: May 24, 2024

Clay Cooper – Secondary Science Teacher – Stephenville High School
Effective: May 24, 2024

Blessing Wright – Director of Special Education – SISD
Effective: June 30, 2024

Hannah Smith – Speech Pathologist – Special Education Department
Effective: June 7, 2024

Employment:

Clarissa Kistler – Counselor – Central Elementary
Effective: August 1, 2024

Kayleigh White – Kindergarten Teacher – Central Elementary
Effective: August 5, 2024

Maggie Stewart – 1st Grade Teacher – Chamberlin Elementary
Effective: August 5, 2024

Elizabeth De Los Santos – From: PE Aide To: 2nd Grade Teacher
– Chamberlin Elementary
Effective: August 5, 2024

Chelsea Crow – 1st Grade Teacher – Chamberlin Elementary
Effective: August 5, 2024

Courtney Royal – From: MTSS Math Teacher To: MTSS Reading Teacher
– Chamberlin Elementary
Effective: August 5, 2024

Tori Hubbard – 1st Grade Teacher – Chamberlin Elementary
Effective: August 5, 2024

Cassidy Rogers – 1st Grade Teacher – Chamberlin Elementary
Effective: August 5, 2024

Jan Wilkerson – Dyslexia Teacher – Hook Elementary
Effective: August 5, 2024

Laura Way – MTSS Reading Teacher – Hook Elementary
Effective: August 5, 2024

Amber Monk – 4th Grade RLA Teacher – Hook Elementary
Effective: August 5, 2024

Sydney Brooks – 3rd Grade RLA – Hook Elementary

Effective: August 5, 2024

Holly Hubbard – From: Elementary Counselor – Central Elementary
To: Elementary Counselor at Gilbert Intermediate
Effective: August 1, 2024

Becky Hodges – From: 4th Grade ELAR To: 5th Grade ELAR – Gilbert Intermediate
Effective: August 5, 2024

Patricia Barnes – 6th Grade ELAR Teacher – Gilbert Intermediate
Effective: August 5, 2024

Kara Brown – From: Resource Math Teacher – To: 5th Grade Math Teacher
– Gilbert Intermediate
Effective: August 5, 2024

Claudia Trevino – From: Bilingual Teacher To: 5th Grade ELA/SS Teacher
– Gilbert Intermediate
Effective: August 5, 2024

Amy Stephens – From: 6th Grade Math Teacher To: MTSS Math Teacher
– Gilbert Intermediate
Effective: August 5, 2024

Rebecca Lewis – Resource Math Teacher – Gilbert Intermediate
Effective: August 5, 2024

Halie Hall – Secondary Science Teacher – Henderson Jr. High
Effective: August 5, 2024

Elizabeth Hart – From: Secondary Reading Teacher – To: 8th Grade ELAR Teacher
– Henderson Jr. High
Effective: August 5, 2024

Marissa Moore – From: DAEP Teacher – SHS To: Pals Teacher/Girls Coach
– Henderson Jr. High
Effective: August 5, 2024

Shelby Ludwig – Secondary Science Teacher/Girls Coach – Henderson Jr. High
Effective: August 5, 2024

Blake Popelka – 7th Grade Science Teacher/Coach – Henderson Jr. High
Effective: August 5, 2024

Madison Gerland – From: 8th Grade Social Studies To: 7th Grade Social Studies
– Henderson Jr. High
Effective: August 5, 2024

James Ivey – From: 8th Grade ELAR To: 8th Grade Social Studies – Henderson Jr. High
Effective: August 5, 2024

Jonathan Normand – Secondary Math Teacher – Stephenville High School
Effective: August 5, 2024

Janice “JJ” Johnston-Murphy – Secondary Counselor – Stephenville High School
Effective: August 1, 2024

Cassidy Paige Jaramillo – Athletic Trainer – Stephenville High School
Effective: August 1, 2024

Adam Vance – Agriculture Teacher – Stephenville High School - Rehire
Effective: July 1, 2024

Sydney Dewit – Secondary Science Teacher – Stephenville High School
Effective: August 5, 2024

Sabrina Carter – Special Ed VI/O&M Teacher – Special Education Department
Effective: August 5, 2024

XVI. Adjourn

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

ATTEST: _____
Secretary

CORRECT: _____
President