

Minutes of Regular Meeting

The Board of Trustees Brackett ISD

A Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees of Brackett ISD was held Monday, January 13, 2014, beginning at 7:15 PM in the Administration Central Office, 201 N Ann Street, Brackettville.

Members Present: Sondra Meil, Donna Schuster, Theresa Quiroz, Brad Coe, *Newly Appointed* Marc Todino

Members Absent: Dan Laws, Tony Molinar

Administrators: Taylor Stephenson, Kevin Newsom, George Burks, Alma Gutierrez

Guests: Louisa Stone, Mr. & Mrs. Price Chambers and family, Yasmin Flores, Katie Flores, James Richardson, Stan Metcalf, Mr. & Mrs. Holt Tuck, Katie Tuck, Lucy Rodriguez, Adriana V. Martinez, Graciela Rocha, Elizabeth Rocha, Ana Martinez, Eunice Martinez, Aracely Martinez, Virginia Reyes, Benito & Bernice Talamantes, Aramedeo Martinez, Mark Garcia, Claudia Garcia, Naveh Pacheco, Isabel Garcia, Marla Madrid, Susan Esparza

Graduates: Destiny Bleidt, Jose S. DeLeon, Mathew Flores, Holt Tuck Jr., Consuelo Rodriguez
(Graduates not present: Austin DelBosque, Briana Sanchez)

1. STUDENT COUNCIL TO HOST BOARD APPRECIATION DINNER
5:30 PM, Admin. Central Office
2. RECOGNITION OF OUTSTANDING STUDENTS
6:30 - 7:15 PM Board recognition of outstanding students and parents in the HS Auditorium.
Presenter: SONDRA MEIL
3. CALL TO ORDER / ESTABLISH QUORUM
Presenter: SONDRA MEIL
 - A. MOMENT OF SILENCE / PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
The regular meeting was called to order by President Sondra Meil at 7:10 pm., with a quorum present. Following a moment of silence, Theresa Quiroz led the Pledge of Allegiance.
4. PRESENTATION OF DIPLOMAS TO GRADUATING SENIORS

Presenter: SONDRA MEIL / KEVIN NEWSOM

Destiny Bleidt, Jose S. DeLeon, Mathew Flores, Holt Tuck Jr., and Consuelo Rodriguez were presented diplomas and congratulated for successfully completing four years of high school. Also recognized, but not present, were graduates Austin DelBosque and Briana Sanchez.

The board convened into a closed session at 7:24 pm, pursuant to Gov't Code 551.074, Personnel.

5. *PERSONNEL MATTERS, PURSUANT TO GOV'T CODE 551.074

Closed Session

Presenter: SONDRA MEIL

A. CONSIDER APPOINTMENT OF NEW BOARD MEMBER

The board reconvened into open session at 7:30 pm, and took the following action:

A motion was made by Brad Coe to accept the appointment of Marc Todino to replace board member Mark Frerich, until the next election in May, 2014. Donna Schuster seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

6. STATEMENT OF ELECTED OFFICER / OATH OF OFFICE

Action

Presenter: NOTARY PUBLIC SUSAN ESPARZA

Notary Public Susan Esparza administered the Oath of Office to newly appointed member Marc Todino. A signed Statement of Elected/*Appointed* Officer in on file.

7. HEARTS & HANDS FOR KIDS: BOARD OF TRUSTEES RECOGNITION

Information

Presenter: TAYLOR STEPHENSON

Superintendent Taylor Stephenson recognized board members for their service to the students, staff, and district, proclaiming the month of January for school board recognition.

8. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Receive Input

Presenter: SONDRA MEIL

There were no requests from guests present for public comment.

9. CONSENT AGENDA

Action

Presenter: SONDRA MEIL

A. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING: 12/09/13 Regular Meeting

B. ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS: Head Start-Grades 5, Grades 6-8, Grades 9-12, Athletic Report

A motion was made by Theresa Quiroz to approve the Consent Agenda as presented, to include minutes of 12/09/13 regular meeting and campus reports. Brad Coe seconded. The motion carried with Marc Todino abstaining.

10. BUSINESS & FINANCE

Information

Presenter: MARLA MADRID

A. DECEMBER RECAP

Comparison of revenue to budget and expenditures, and encumbrances for the month of December.

B. CHECK RUN

Discussion only.

11. NEW BUSINESS

Information

Presenter: MARLA MADRID

A. FALL SPORTS FINANCE RECAP

Discussion only on revenue from Fall sports, including football playoff games.

12. ORDER OF ELECTION, Action

Presenter: SONDR A MEIL

A motion was made by Donna Schuster to call the Order of Election, to be held May 10, 2014. Theresa Quiroz seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

13. LEGAL & LOCAL UPDATE 98 AFFECTING LOCAL POLICIES

Second Reading

Presenter: TAYLOR STEPHENSON

A motion was made by Sondra Meil to adopt Local Policy Update 98, affecting local policies, as recommended by the TASB Policy Service. Brad Coe seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

14. LOCAL POLICY GKD, REVISED

Action

Presenter: TAYLOR STEPHENSON

A motion was made by Donna Schuster to adopt revised local policy GKD, as recommended by the Superintendent. Theresa Quiroz seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

15. INTERIM SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Information / Receive Input

Presenter: TAYLOR STEPHENSON

Topics discussed:

- Recognized Those Interested in Serving on the Board

- Climbing Enrollment
- Reduction in Dropout Rate
- Facilities Review Committee
- District Improvement Plan
- Texas Academic Performance Report (TAPR) 2013
- Staff – Recommendation Add Special Ed Teacher
- Kinney County Livestock Show

SET DATE FOR MARCH 2014, BOARD MEETING

Meeting in March will be the 17th, at 6:30 pm.

The board convened into a closed session at 8:14 pm, pursuant to Gov't Code 551.074, Personnel.

16. *PERSONNEL, PURSUANT TO GOV'T CODE 551.074

Closed Session

Presenter: SONDR A MEIL / TAYLOR STEPHENSON

A. LETTER OF RETIREMENT: HIGH SCHOOL TEACHER

Information only.

B. RECOMMEND / HIRE ELEMENTARY SPECIAL EDUCATION TEACHER

C. SUPERINTENDENT SEARCH

1. DISCUSSION OF SUPERINTENDENT APPLICANTS

2. CONSIDER SUPERINTENDENT FINALIST

The board reconvened into open session at 9:01 pm, and took the following action:

A motion was made by Donna Schuster to hire special education teacher Christopher Crowe, as recommended by the Superintendent. Brad Coe seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Theresa Quiroz to name Kevin Newsom as the lone finalist in our Superintendent search for Brackett ISD. Sondra Meil seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

17. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Presenter: SONDR A MEIL

There were no guests present for public comment participation.

18. ADJOURN

Presenter: SONDR A MEIL

With no objections, the meeting was adjourned at 9:04 pm.

Sondra Meil, Board President

Tony Molinar, Secretary

Date

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