

**ALEDO INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT  
BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
SPECIAL MEETING  
DECEMBER 4, 2017**

**MINUTES**

**BOARD MEETING**

A Special Meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Aledo Independent School District was held on Monday, December 4, 2017 beginning at 6:00 P.M. in the Aledo I.S.D. Board Room with the following members present: President Jay Stringer, Bobby J Rigues, Secretary Jennifer Loftin, Vice President Hoyt Harris and Julie Turner.

**AGENDA**

President Jay Stringer called the meeting to order at 6:05 P.M.

President Jay Stringer determined a quorum was present at this time.

The Board Recessed the Open Meeting to go into a closed Executive Meeting to discuss Agenda items with the School Attorney.

**A. Items to be discussed under the Texas Government Code Section 551.071:**

1. Superintendent Dr. Derek City – Contract
2. Superintendent Search Firms

**B. Personnel – Texas Government Code Section 551.074 – Deliberate the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline, or dismissal of a public officer or employee**

1. Superintendent Dr. Derek City – Contract

The Board convened to the Open Session at 6.48 P.M. No decisions or actions were taken during the closed Executive Session.

**Review Superintendent Search Firm Proposals** – President Jay Stringer invited the Search Firms to begin their presentations.

The first firm to present was the Texas Association of School Boards led by Butch Felkner, Marian Strauss and Rick Howard. A presentation was made followed by a question and answer session where the Board were invited to ask questions.

The second firm to present was Arrow Education Services, Inc. led by Dr. Russell Marshall and Jim Dunlap. A presentation was made followed by a question and answer session where the Board were invited to ask questions.

The third firm to present was Jenny Preston Educational Consulting led by Jenny Preston. A presentation was made followed by a question and answer session where the Board were invited to ask questions.

The fourth firm to present was Bob E. Griggs & Associates, led by Richard Ownby and Weldon Hafley. A presentation was made followed by a question and answer session where the Board were invited to ask questions.

**Board Communication to Aledo ISD Constituents during the Superintendent Search Process** – this item was requested by Secretary, Jennifer Loftin.

Jennifer Loftin expressed concern that parents and the community need to be kept up to date with the process of selecting a new Superintendent.

The Communications Director, Rick Herrin, said that the first step would be to create a Superintendent Search Webpage that would be built into the Aledo I.S.D. website. This will detail a chronological update as the process begins and also provide an opportunity for public questions and concerns. Social media updates will also be posted.

President Jay Stringer asked Rick Herrin to provide a summary of objectives as to how this information will be presented to the community.

President Jay Stringer proposed a motion to postpone making a decision on a Search Firm until the meeting to be held on December 6th or a subsequent meeting. This was seconded by Vice President Hoyt Harris. The motion was carried unanimously.

Trustee Comments/Acknowledgements – Bobby Rigues expressed that these were exciting times moving forward, and communication is key. Remember to attend the meeting at Region XI on December 5 at 6:30 P.M.

Jennifer Loftin enjoyed hearing the presentations by the Search Firms and appreciated their time and efforts.

President Jay Stringer adjourned the meeting at 8:25 P.M.

SECRETARY \_\_\_\_\_ PRESIDENT \_\_\_\_\_  
APPROVED \_\_\_\_\_