

OFFICIAL MINUTES
FISD BOARD OF TRUSTEES
June 21, 2022

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- I. **CALL TO ORDER OBSERVING THE PRESENCE OF A QUORUM:** President Rodriguez called the meeting to order at 7:00 noting all members in attendance. Special note was made of the return of Secretary Longino from his lengthy illness.
- II. **INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** President Rodriguez led the Pledge of Allegiance and offered a prayer.
- III. **REORGANIZATION OF BOARD:** Mike Moffitt made a motion to leave the Board Officers unchanged (Rodriguez-President, Sasser-Vice President, and Longino-Secretary.) Nick Hamm seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously, 7-0.
- IV. **CONSENT AGENDA:** Richard Sasser made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Lee Longino seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously, 7-0.
- A. APPROVE MINUTES OF THE MAY 17, 2022 BOARD MEETING
- B. APPROVE CHECK PAYMENT LIST, BOARD FINANCIAL REPORT, AND QUARTERLY INVESTMENT REPORT
- C. APPROVE PURCHASE AND REPAIR OF FHS BOILER IN THE AMOUNT OF \$74,176
- D. EXTEND LEGAL SERVICES RETAINER AGREEMENTS WITH WALSH-GALLEGOS AND LEASOR-CRASS LAW FIRMS
- V. **DISTRICT EXCELLENCE:** Band Director Jennifer Kofahl recognized 3 FHS students who competed in the UIL State Solo and Ensemble competition in Austin: J. Sneed, K. Creek, and U. Soto. The Board thanked the students and provided a token of appreciation. Additionally, Mr. Hartman introduced Mr. Ray Blanco, new FJH Principal and allowed him to offer a few remarks to the Board.
- A. STUDENT UIL STATE BAND RECOGNITION
- B. PRINCIPAL INTRODUCTIONS
- VI. **AUDIENCE FOR GUEST (NON-AGENDA ITEMS ONLY):** NA
- VII. **INFORMATION ITEM: STUDENT ACADEMIC PROGRESS REPORT AND ACCOUNTABILITY PREVIEW:** Chris Hawkins, Director of Accountability, presented a detailed report of student growth in MAP and STAAR/EOC scores this school year. Areas of celebration were noted as were specific areas of continued focus and growth needs. Hawkins highlighted the investments made by the Board in personnel and programs and how those directly paid dividends in student outcomes. Preliminary accountability ratings were also shared with the Board.

VIII. INFORMATION ITEM: LEGACY PROGRAM FINAL REPORT: Dr. Dixon provided a final Legacy Program report detailing the 50+ students that successfully completed high school through the program. The Board expressed appreciation the Legacy staff.

IX. INFORMATION ITEM: REPORT FROM BOND PLANNING GROUP ON POTENTIAL NOVEMBER BOND: Jason Crenshaw, representing the Bond Planning Group, shared thoughts on a November bond with the Board. The Group met 3 times since the May election and have looked at several options to present in November. The Board discussed the potential options and will be ready to decide in July. The Board thanked the Planning Group members for their time and effort.

X. INFORMATION ITEM: DRAFT OF HOMESCHOOL PARTICIPATION OPPORTUNITIES IN UIL ACTIVITY: Supt Hartman presented the draft UIL Homeschool Participation list for the Board's review including all sports in grades 9-12 and fine arts components of band, choir, and one act play. The FISD staff will finalize the guidelines and present to the Board for formal adoption in July.

XI. DISCUSSION REGARDING DISTRICT SAFETY AND SECURITY (NOTE: THIS WILL BE A GENERAL DISCUSSION ABOUT POLICIES, PROCEDURES, EQUIPMENT, COSTS, AND DESIRED OUTCOMES. DETAILED DISCUSSIONS ABOUT DEPLOYMENT OF SPECIFIC SECURITY DEVICES AND/OR PERSONNEL WILL BE CONDUCTED IN CLOSED SESSION.): The Board discussed school safety in light of the Uvalde incident and generally offered thoughts on supplementing and strengthening our current systems. The Board indicated it would discuss deployment of specific security devices and personnel in closed session as described below.

XII. OLD BUSINESS: President Rodriguez is the only member to sign up for SLI at this point. Other members will make a final decision by 6/25/22. The Board reviewed the second request from Mr. Shelton for purchase of ISD property adjoining his home on 104 S. Meadow. The Board indicated it would discuss the particulars of this request in closed session as described below.

A. SUMMER LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE

B. REQUEST FROM MR SHELTON TO PURCHASE SCHOOL PROPERTY

XIII. NEW BUSINESS AND SUPERINTENDENT REPORTS: NA

XIV. CLOSED SESSION AS AUTHORIZED BY TEXAS OPEN MEETINGS ACT, GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 551.072, 551.074 AND 551.076: President Rodriguez moved the meeting to a closed session at 8:07PM in accordance with the Open Meetings Act to consider the items listed below.

A. PERSONNEL: EMPLOYMENT OF ADMINISTRATIVE AND TEACHING STAFF INCLUDING ASSIGNMENTS, REASSIGNMENTS, RESIGNATIONS, RETIREMENTS, TERMINATIONS, NON-RENEWALS AND COMPENSATION

B. REAL PROPERTY OWNED BY THE DISTRICT

C. SECURITY PERSONNEL AND DEVICES

XV. RECONVENE IN OPEN SESSION AND TAKE ANY ACTION NECESSARY FROM CLOSED

SESSION DELIBERATIONS: President Rodriguez moved the meeting back into open session at 9:24PM, having concluded the closed session discussions. The Board briefly revisited item IX and offered additional comments and thoughts on the bond planning. Supt Hartman also informed the Board of the City of Ferris Executive Offices being housed in the Fisd Admin Building and articulated to the Board the next steps the District will take to enhance safety and security as directed by the Board in closed session (updates to be brought back in July for Board review and comment.) Supt Hartman recommended that the Board accept the personnel actions (resignations and employments) as discussed in closed session. Richard Sasser made a motion to approve of the personnel actions as recommended. Nick Hamm seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously, 7-0. Mike Moffitt made a motion to decline the request by Mr. Shelton to purchase school property adjoining his home at 104 S. Meadow and to direct the Supt to communicate this decision. Richard Sasser seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously, 7-0.

XVI. ADJOURNMENT: Lee Longino made a motion to adjourn at 9:51PM. Richard Sasser seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously, 7-0.

The above minutes are a true and accurate account of the actions taken by the Fisd Board of Trustees on June 21, 2022.

Date

Rico Rodriguez, President

Lee Longino, Secretary