

Minutes of the
Board of Trustees Meeting of the
Region 8 ESC Board of Directors
Thursday, May 21, 2020
Region 8 ESC Board Room
4845 US-271
Pittsburg, TX 75686
8:30 AM

List of members:

Dennis Townsend, Chair
James Morton, Vice Chair
Mickey Allen, Secretary
Willie Williams
Sandra Billodeau
Margaret Davis
Mike Jansen

List of staff:

David Fitts, Executive Director
Jason McCullough, Deputy Executive Director, Leadership and Operations
Richele Langley, Deputy Executive Director, Academic Services
Blenda McNatt, Chief Financial Officer
Karla Coker, Director, Information Services
Leonard Beles, Director, State & Federal Programs
Brent Baker, Director, Technology
Henry Vallejo, Accountant
Tina Penny, Executive Assistant

MEMBERS PRESENT:

MEMBERS ABSENT:

ESC STAFF PRESENT:

1. Call to Order

- A. Roll Call
- B. Establishment of a Quorum
- C. Vision, Mission, Beliefs and Motto

2. Consider the minutes of the regular meeting of the Region 8 ESC Board of Directors of Thursday, April 23, 2020.

3. Administrative Reports

- A. **Chief Financial Officer Report**
 - 1. *Business Report*
 - 2. *Information Services Report*
- B. **Leadership and Instructional Services Report**
 - 1. *Special Services Report*
 - 2. *State and Federal Programs Report*
 - 3. *Curriculum Report*
 - 4. *Leadership Support Report*
 - 5. *Technology Report*

- C. **TIPS Cooperative Report**
- D. **Executive Director Report**

4. Public Forum

5. Matters Requiring Board Approval

- A. **Administer the Oath of Office to James Morton, Place 2, and Mickey Allen, Place 5, to take office on the Region 8 ESC Board of Directors, June 1, 2020.
Approve the appointment of James Morton, Place 2, and Mickey Allen, Place 5, to the Region 8 ESC Board of Directors, effective June 1, 2020 to May 31, 2023.**
- B. **Consider the Financial Reports for April 2020.**
- C. **Consider the Budget Amendments for April 2020.**
- D. **Consider approval to engage the CPA firm of Edgin, Parkman, Fleming & Fleming, PC for the Region 8 ESC 2019-2020 financial audit.**
- E. **Consider to approve the following memberships for 2020-2021 school year:**
 - ___ **TASA – Texas Association of School Administrators**
 - ___ **TASB – Texas Association of School Boards**
 - ___ **TACS – Texas Association of Community Schools**
 - ___ **TREA – Texas Rural Education Association**
- F. **Consider the change of date and time of the June Board Meeting, to 8:30 a.m. Tuesday, June 23, 2020, due to the TREA Conference schedule.**
- G. **Consider appointing the Region 8 TASB Delegate and Alternate to the 2020 Fall TASA/TASB Convention in Dallas, October 2-4, 2020.**
 - Delegate _____
 - Alternate _____
- H. **Discuss and consider a motion to write-off past due fees from TIPS vendor sales and open purchase orders older than 09/01/2016 which have been deemed uncollectable. The auditors discussed with Region 8 the need to try to collect past due balances and if they are uncollectable, to write them off.**
- I. **Consider Board to approve and ratify all TIPS memberships and interlocal agreements received by TIPS, signed by the Executive Director as previously delegated by the Board, and listed in the board agenda. If any received agreements are not listed due to human error, the board approves them, subject to future review and termination by action of the board.**
- J. **Consider possible cancellation of TIPS awarded agreement(s).**

6. CLOSED SESSION:

Adjournment to closed session pursuant to Texas Government Code Sections 551.071, 551.072, 551.074, and 551.082, the Open Meetings Act, for the following purposes: (Time _____)

1. *Section 551.074 - For the purpose of considering the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline or dismissal of a public officer or employee or to hear complaints or charges against a public officer or employee.*
 - a. *Approval of personnel recommendations for employment of professional personnel*
 - b. *Employment of professional personnel (Information)*
 - c. *Employee resignations and retirements (Information)*
2. *Section 551.072 - For the purpose of discussing the purchase, exchange, lease or value of real property*
3. *Section 551.071 - To meet with the District's attorney to discuss matters in which the duty of the*

attorney to the District under the Texas Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct of the State Bar of Texas clearly conflicts with the Open Meetings Act, including the grievance/complaint hearing.

a. Any item listed on the agenda

b. Discuss pending, threatened, or potential litigation, including school finance litigation

7. RECONVENE FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION FOR ACTION RELATIVE TO ITEMS COVERED DURING EXECUTIVE SESSION

ADJOURNMENT: (Time _____)

8. Personnel

A. Discuss and consider the employment / resignation / retirement of the following staff:

Employment –

Resignation –

Retirement -

9. Adjourn

On a motion by _____, and a second by _____, the meeting adjourned.

Motion carried. Ayes _____; Nays _____

Dennis Townsend, Chair
Region 8 Board of Directors

Mickey Allen, Secretary
Region 8 Board of Directors