

Minutes of Regular Meeting

The Board of Trustees Little Elm ISD

A Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees of Little Elm ISD was held Monday, August 24, 2020, beginning at 6:00 PM in the Zellars Center for Learning and Leadership.

PRESENT: President David Montemayor, Vice President Jason Olson, Secretary Dan Blackwood, Trustee Alejandro Flores, Trustee LeAnna Harding, Trustee Melissa Myers, and Superintendent Daniel Gallagher.

LATE: Trustee DeLeon English.

1. Call to Order Open Session in the Board Room at Zellars Center for Learning and Leadership on 300 Lobo Lane, Little Elm, Texas 75068.
The meeting was called to order at 6:00 pm by President David Montemayor.
2. The Board recessed into Closed Meeting in PL1 at 6:01 pm as permitted by the Texas Open Meetings Act Code Subchapter 551.072, and 551.074. The Board and Superintendent discussed:
 - A. Personnel
 - B. LandThe Board reconvened at 7:11 pm
3. Pledge of Allegiance
The Board led those present to The Pledge of The United States Flag and The Texas Flag.
4. Invocation
There was no invocation.
5. Introduction and Roll Call
Ms. Sonia S. Flores took roll call.
6. Superintendent Spotlight
There was no spotlight.
7. Citizen Input
Audience participation shall be permitted at regular Board meetings and shall be limited to the public comment portion designated for that purpose
Dr. Monique Thompson approached the Board about distance option for citizen input.
8. Reports of the Superintendent

A. Curriculum and Learning Update

Dr. Cyndy A. Mika briefed the Board on the following:

- The Audit Report
- Audit Recommendations
- Timeline / 5 Year Plan
- Questions?

B. Back to School 2020

Dr. Cyndy A. Mika approached the Board with the following information:

Back to School 2020

- Methods of Communication
- Response Flowcharts
- COVID Dashboard
- Staff Canvas Course
- Health Screenings
- Staff Dashboard
- Campus Visitors
- Personal Protective Equipment
- Child Nutrition At-Home Meal Service
- Learning Management Systems
- Digital Learning and Technology
- Technology and Instructional Materials
- At-Home Learning
- Professional Learning & Development
- Questions?

9. Approval of Minutes

A. Consider approval of 7-27-2020 Regular Board Minutes

Ms. Sonia S. Flores presented to the Board the July 27, 2020 Regular Board meeting Minutes.

Vice President Jason Olson made the first motion to approve as submitted.

Trustee LeAnna Harding seconded the motion. The motion passed (7-0).

B. Consider approval of 8-10-2020 Workshop Minutes

Ms. Sonia S. Flores presented to the Board the August 10, 2020 Workshop Minutes.

Trustee LeAnna Harding made the first motion to approve as submitted. Vice

President Jason Olson seconded the motion. The motion passed (5-0-2).

Trustees DeLeon English and Alejandro Flores abstained from voting.

C. Consider approval of 8-17-2020 Public Hearing Minutes

Ms. Sonia S. Flores presented to the Board the August 17, 2020 Public Hearing Meeting Minutes.

Vice President Jason Olson made the first motion to approve as submitted.

Secretary Dan Blackwood seconded the motion. The motion passed (6-0-1).

Trustee DeLeon English abstained from voting.

10. Action Items

- A. Consider approval of Financial Reports - June 2020
Mr. Grant Anderson briefed the Board about the following:
August 24, 2020 Financial Report
- Notes to Financials
 - Future Financial Considerations
 - Four Major Economic Factors
 - General Fund
 - Budget Recap
 - Fund Balance Analysis 2019-20
 - Capital Outlay Fund
 - Bond Projects
 - Board Approved Bond Projects
 - Debt Service Fund
 - Financials in Board Packet
- Vice President Jason Olson made the first motion to approve as submitted.
Secretary Dan Blackwood seconded the motion. The motion passed (7-0).
- B. Consider approval of Order Authorizing Redemption of Bonds
Mr. Grant Anderson briefed the Board on this item. This resolution calling certain outstanding bonds for redemption; authorizing the deposit of funds with the paying agents/registrar; and resolving other matters related thereto.
Trustee LeAnna Harding made the first motion to approve as submitted.
Secretary Dan Blackwood seconded the motion. The motion passed (7-0).
- C. Consider approval of Adoption of Budget for 2020-21
Mr. Grant Anderson approached the Board on this item. This is the Little Elm ISD's 2020-21 Budget.
Vice President Jason Olson made the first motion to approve as submitted.
Secretary Dan Blackwood seconded the motion. The motion passed (7-0).
The tax rate will be presented at the September meeting per Mr. Anderson.
- D. Consider approval of Little Elm ISD Interlocal Summary Report
Mr. Grant Anderson briefed the Board regarding this item. This allows LEISD to purchase products or services from other governmental entities which have been properly awarded contracts through statutorily authorized methods.
Trustee LeAnna Harding made the first motion to approve as submitted. Trustee DeLeon English seconded the motion. The motion passed (7-0).
- E. Consider approval of Little Elm ISD Expenditures over \$50,000 Summary Report
Mr. Grant Anderson approached the Board regarding this item. This allows LEISD to purchase products or services valued over \$50,000 which have been properly purchased through statutorily authorized methods.
Trustee LeAnna Harding made the first motion to approve as submitted. Trustee DeLeon English seconded the motion. The motion passed (7-0).
- F. Consider approval of TASB Risk Management Fund
Mr. Grant Anderson informed the Board about this. This is to approve the TASB Risk Management Fund Contribution & Coverage Summary.

Trustee DeLeon English made the first motion to approve as submitted. Vice President Jason Olson seconded the motion. The motion passed (7-0).

G. Consider approval of Little Elm Independent School District Purchase of Real Property, Approximately 60 Acres

Mr. Rod Reeves presented this item to the Board. Pursuant to Texas Education Code section 11.161, the Board of Trustees of Little Elm Independent School District is requesting the acquisition of real property, approximately 60 acres.

WHEREAS, pursuant to Texas Education Code section 11.151, the Board of Trustees of the Little Elm Independent School District (“District”) is authorized to acquire and hold real and personal property;

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees is currently acquiring real property for the construction of facilities to meet the educational needs of the students residing in the District;

WHEREAS, the real property described in Exhibit “A” attached hereto and incorporated herein for all purposes (“Property”) is necessary for the construction of facilities to meet the educational needs of the students residing in the District; and

WHEREAS, the District has entered into a real estate sales contract with the owner of the Property for purchase of the Property by the District contingent on approval by the District’s Board of Trustees; therefore,

Be it resolved,

1. That the findings and recitals in the preamble of this Resolution are hereby found to be true and correct and are hereby approved and adopted.

2. That the Board of Trustees of the Little Elm Independent School District authorizes and approves the real estate contract for the purchase of the Property described in Exhibit “A”.

3. That the Superintendent and Associate Superintendent/Chief Financial Officer are each authorized to tender the purchase price of the Property and the amount of closing and other costs to the title company for payment to the seller of the Property and to execute any other documents necessary to effect the purchase.

4. That it is hereby found, determined and declared that a sufficient written notice of the date, time, place and subject of the meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Little Elm Independent School at which this Resolution was adopted was posted at a place convenient and readily accessible at all times to the general public for the time required by law preceding this meeting as required by chapter 551, Texas Government Code, and that this meeting has been open to the public as required by law at all times during which this Resolution and the subject matter thereof has been discussed, considered and formally acted upon. The Board of Trustees further ratifies, approves and confirms such written notice and posting thereof.

Secretary Dan Blackwood made the first motion to approve as submitted. Vice President Jason Olson seconded the motion. The motion passed (7-0).

11. Consent Agenda

A. Consider approval of COVID-19 Employee Emergency Relief Fund

Ms. Asheley Brown briefed the Board on this item. The Board suggested for the Relief Fund to start effective July 1st, 2020.

Trustee LeAnna Harding made the first motion to approve as discussed. Trustee Melissa Myers seconded the motion. The motion passed (7-0).

B. Consider approval HB 3 Annual Board Goals

C. Consider approval of Waiver: Alternate Kindergarten Reading Instrument

D. Consider approval of Board Policy Update to CO (LOCAL)

Mr. Clint Miller briefed the Board about this item. The Board asked for the wording to read standard reimbursable meal.

Trustee LeAnna Harding made the first motion to approve as presented. Trustee DeLeon English seconded the motion. The motion passed (7-0).

E. Consider approval of Board Policy Updates

F. Consider approval of 2020-2021 Student Code of Conduct

Mr. Clint Miller briefed the Board about this item. The Board had a couple of questions in regards to communication to parents.

Trustee Alejandro Flores made the first motion to approve as submitted. Trustee DeLeon English seconded the motion. The motion passed (7-0).

G. Consider approval of T-TESS Appraisers and Appraisal Calendar

H. Consider approval of Final Budget Amendment

I. Consider approval of Interlocal Cooperation Agreement between Town of Little Elm and Little Elm Independent School District

J. Consider approval of Little Elm Independent School District Facilities-Buildings-Grounds Usage Regulations & Fee Schedules

Vice President Jason Olson made the first motion to approve the consent agenda with the exception of items A, D, and F. Trustee DeLeon English seconded the motion. The motion passed (7-0).

12. Board President Comments

Presenter: David Montemayor

Thanks to administration, this year is like no other to start school. Thanks for always doing what's best for students. Thanks Superintendent Gallagher.

13. Board Comments

Trustee Alejandro Flores requested an update in regards to the SROs refund. He also requested a student / teacher ratio in the Spanish classes. Mr. Flores thanked those present for all they do.

Trustee LeAnna Harding thanked administration and wished the District good luck on the first day of school.

Trustee Melissa Myers requested an update on the Finance Committee. Ms. Myers also talked about her walkthrough at Walker and mentioned that the school is beautiful.

Trustee DeLeon English mentioned that he is excited for school to start and for the great communication

Secretary Dan Blackwood said that it was a great idea to push the start of school.

Vice President Jason Olson echoed what trustees said.

14. Superintendent Comments

Mr. Daniel Gallagher mentioned the following:

- Thanks to the entire District
- Special thank you to the staff at Walker and Strike Middle Schools their professionalism, focus, flexibility and positive attitude
- Thanks to parents and community
- Very proud of community and staff
- Thanks to Trustee Flores for volunteering at Strike Middle School
- Student Athletes – thanks
- Everybody coming together
- Impress by team and group we have

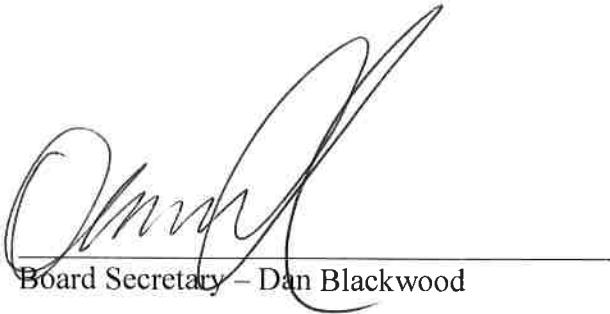
15. Adjournment

Trustee LeAnna Harding made the first motion to approve as submitted. Trustee DeLeon English seconded the motion. The motion passed (7-0).
The meeting adjourned at 8:59 pm.

The minutes were approved on September 21, 2020.



Board President – David Montemayor



Board Secretary – Dan Blackwood