

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, September 21, 2020, beginning at 6:00 PM in the Zellars Center for Learning and Leadership.

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

ABSENT: Trustee Melissa Myers.

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.
Board President David Montemayor called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm.
2. The Board recessed into Closed Meeting in PL1 at 6:00 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 7:05 pm.
3. Pledge of Allegiance
The Pledges of Allegiance to The United States Flag and The Texas Flag were recited by the Board.
4. Invocation
There was no invocation
5. Introduction and Roll Call
Ms. Sonia S. Flores took roll call.
6. Superintendent Spotlight
There was no Superintendent 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
There was no citizen input.
8. Reports of the Superintendent
 - A. Class Report Size
Ms. Asheley Brown approached the Board with the following information:
Class Size Report LEISD 2020 Start of School

- Average Class Size – Elementary
- Average Class Size – Middle School
- Average Class Size – High School

B. Human Resource Services Annual Report

Ms. Asheley Brown briefed the board with the following:

HR Services Annual Report

- 2019-20: Successes!
- Successes: ESS Substitutes, 1st Week of School
- Successes: ESS Substitutes, 2nd Week of School
- 2020:21: Areas of Focus
- District Stats

C. Curriculum and Learning Update

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

- Curriculum and Learning Departments
- Student Information Services & PEIMS
- Digital Learning & Library Media Services
- Professional Learning & Advanced Academics
- Assessment & Federal Programs
- Curriculum & Learning Team
- Pivoting to Support Campuses During COVID-19 Pandemic
- Questions?

D. Proclamation 2021: Adoption of Pre-K Materials and Resources

Mr. Doug Sevier briefed the Board on this item. Each year a Proclamation addressing the purchase of new resources is issued by the state to ensure that academic materials are ordered. This guarantees the relevancy of materials for the next 8-10 years of a given adoption.

E. Professional Learning, Advanced Academics Update

Ms. Amanda Ball gave the Board the following information:

- Professional Learning
- Continuing Professional Hours
- Remote Learning Educator Certification
- Collaborate
- College Credits Saving \$148, 680 in Tuition

F. Construction Update

This item was moved up to before item 8A.

Mr. Rick Martin gave the Board the following information:

Construction Update

- Bond Program Status
- Jerry R. Walker Middle School
- Lowell H. Strike Middle School
- LEHS Ball Field Concessions and Concourse
- Little Elm Athletic Stadium
- Other Construction Activity
- Projects in Design
- More to Come...

- Questions?

9. Approval of Minutes

A. Consider approval of Regular Meeting Minutes - 8/24/2020

Ms. Sonia S. Flores presented this item.

Trustee LeAnna Harding made the first motion to approve as submitted. Vice President Jason Olson seconded the motion. The motion passed (5-0-1). Trustee DeLeon English abstained from voting.

B. Consider approval of Special Meeting Minutes - 9/08/2020

Ms. Sonia S. Flores presented this item.

Vice President Jason Olson made the first motion to approve as submitted. Secretary Dan Blackwood seconded the motion. The motion passed (4-0-2). Trustees DeLeon English and Alejandro Flores abstained from voting.

10. Action Items

A. Consider approval of Financial Reports - July 2020

Mr. Grant Anderson briefed the Board with the following:

- Notes to Financials
- Future Financial Considerations
- Four Major Economic Factors which have a Direct Impact on School Funding Revenue
- 2020-21 General Fund Budget Recap
- Fund Balance Analysis 2020-21
- Capital Outlay Fund
- Bond Projects
- Board Approved Bond Projects
- 2019-20 Debt Service Fund Budget Actuals
- Financials in Board Packet

Vice President Jason Olson made the first motion to approve as submitted. Trustee DeLeon English seconded the motion. The motion passed (6-0).

B. Consider approval of Adoption of Tax Rate for 2020-21

Mr. Grant Anderson briefed the Board on this item.

This item is the adoption of the tax rate generates revenue to support the education initiatives of Little Elm Independent School District.

Vice President Jason Olson made the first motion to approve as submitted. Secretary Dan Blackwood seconded the motion. The motion passed (6-0).

C. Consider approval of Act on Delegation of Authority to Approve the Agreement for the Purchase of Attendance Credit

Mr. Grant Anderson presented this item to the Board.

HB3 updated the statutes surrounding qualifications for recapture payments. Recapture is no longer tied to a certain level of wealth per WADA. Districts are now subject to recapture payments if they have local revenue in excess of entitlement. A district is considered to have excess local revenue if the district's tier one local share exceeds the district's entitlement.

Board President David Montemayor made the first motion to approve this item as submitted. Trustee Dan Blackwood seconded the motion. The motion passed (6-0).

The motion read:

For the 2020-2021 school year, we delegated contractual authority to obligate the school district under Texas Education Code (TEC) 11.1511(c)(4) to the superintendent, solely for the purpose of obligating the district under TEC, 48.257 and TEC, Chapter 49, Subchapters A and D, and the rules adopted by the commissioner of education as authorized under TEC, 49.006. This included approval of the Agreement for the Purchase of Attendance Credit.

- D. Consider approval of Little Elm ISD Interlocal Summary Report
Mr. Grant Anderson briefed the Board about this item. This allows LEISD to purchase products or services from other governmental entities which have been properly awarded contracts through statutorily authorized methods.
Secretary Dan Blackwood made the first motion to approve as presented, with the change on the expiration date on Item 1 from 2020 to 2021. Board Vice President Jason Olson made the second motion. The motion passed (6-0).
- E. Consider approval of Little Elm ISD Contract Summary Report
Mr. Grant Anderson briefed the Board about this item. This allows LEISD to purchase products or services from the list of attached contracts which have been properly awarded through statutorily authorized methods.
Board Vice President Jason Olson made the first motion to approve as submitted. Trustee DeLeon English seconded the motion. The motion passed (6-0).

11. Consent Agenda

- A. Maximum Class Size Exemptions - Class Size Waivers
- B. Consider approval of 2020-2021 LEISD Student Health Advisory Committee (SHAC) Members
- C. Consider approval of 2020-2021 District Improvement Plan
- D. Consider approval of Off-Campus Physical Education Sites
- E. Consider approval of Request for Proposal #2019-002 Food Catering Services
- F. Consider approval of Gifts and Donations
- G. Consider approval of Capital Outlay - COVID
- H. Consider approval of Declaring Technology Equipment Surplus and Authorizing for Disposal
Trustee LeAnna Harding made the first motion to approve as submitted. Vice President Jason Olson seconded the motion. The motion passed (6-0).

12. Board President Comments

Mr. David Montemayor thanked everyone for their hard work. He thanked staff in LEISD for all the amazing work.

13. Board Comments

Trustee DeLeon English thanked staff for the hard work and effort. Mr. English also thanked the IT Department. He mentioned the really good communication the district is putting out. He would also like to see a Historical course at our schools. Trustee LeAnna Harding mentioned all the positive feedback she has received. The positive stories are endless. Ms. Harding thanked Mr. Horvath for going above and beyond.

Trustee Alejandro Flores recognized the teacher on the phenomenal job they are doing along with counselors.

Secretary Dan Blackwood thanked Dr. Mika and her department for the amazing job.

Vice President Jason Olson thanked the IT Department for the hard work.

14. Superintendent Comments

Mr. Daniel thanked the Board for all their comments. Mr. Gallagher has also received the same comments around the community. He also appreciates everyone's support. Mr. Gallagher also reminded the public to keep checking the COVID-19 webpage for updates.

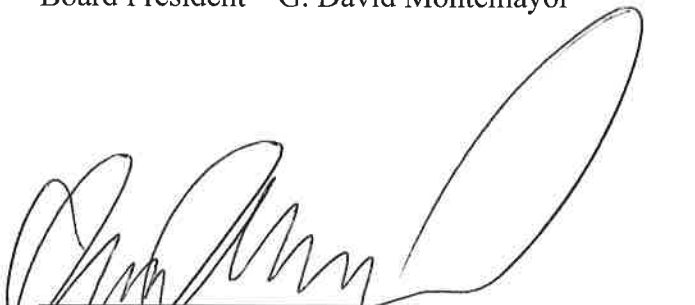
15. Adjournment

Trustee LeAnna Harding made the first motion to adjourn the meeting. Trustee DeLeon English seconded the motion. The motion passed (6-0).
The meeting adjourned at 9:01 pm.

The minutes were approved on October 19, 2020.



Board President – G. David Montemayor



Board Secretary – Dan Blackwood