

# Minutes of Workshop Meeting

## The Board of Trustees Little Elm ISD

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A Workshop Meeting of the Board of Trustees of Little Elm ISD was held Monday, October 12, 2015, beginning at 6:30 PM in the Zellars Center for Learning and Leadership.

PRESENT: Board President LeAnna Harding, Board Vice President Melissa Myers, Board Secretary DeLeon English, Trustee Christopher Williams, Trustee G. David Montemayor, Trustee Jason Olson, Trustee Alejandro Flores and Superintendent Dr. Lowell Strike.

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 LeAnna Harding called the meeting to order at 6:43 pm.
2. Pledge of Allegiance  
The Board led those in attendance to the Pledges of the United States Flag and the Texas Flag.
3. Introduction and Roll Call  
Ms. Sonia F. Badillo took roll call.
4. Citizen input  
Mr. Frank Harding approached the Board about term limits and expressed how he feels it should be open to the public.
5. Approval of Minutes
  - A. Discuss and approve Regular Meeting Minutes - 9/21/2015  
Trustee Alejandro Flores made the first motion to approve the Regular Meeting Minutes as submitted. Trustee Jason Olson seconded the motion. The motion passed (7-0).
6. Reports of the Superintendent
  - A. Advanced Academics  
Ms. Ashley Helms shared with the Board a presentation. The presentation included the following:
    - Gifted and Talented
    - K-5 & 6-12
    - WIN – New in 2015-16
    - Advanced Placement
    - Pre-AP & AP
    - 2015 AP Participation
    - 2015-16 Tests By AP Course
    - 2015-16 AP Score Distribution
    - 5 Year Score Summary

- Dual Credit
- Enrollment
- AVID
- AVID Elementary Schools
- AVID Secondary Schools
- Advancement Via Individual Determination

B. Little Elm Police Department Report

This agenda item was moved to October 19<sup>th</sup>

C. Principals Month Proclamation

Mr. Matthew Gutierrez presented to the Board the Principals Month Proclamation.

D. Texas Education Human Resources Day Proclamation

Mr. Matthew Gutierrez presented to the Board the Texas Education Human Resources Day Proclamation.

E. Destination 2020

This agenda item was moved to October 19<sup>th</sup>

7. The Board recessed into Closed Meeting at 7:21 pm in the Professional Development Room as permitted by the Texas Open Meetings Act Code Subchapter 551.074 and 551.072. The Board and Superintendent discussed:

A. Personnel - 551.074

B. Superintendent's Contract - 551.074

The Board reconvened at 7:52 pm.

8. Action Items

A. Discuss and approve Superintendent's Contract

Trustee Alejandro Flores made the first motion to approve the Superintendent's Contract as discussed in closed meeting session. Trustee Jason Olson seconded the motion. The motion passed (7-0).

Board President LeAnna Harding commented the following:

- Positive changes
- Goals
- Mission
- Vision
- Leadership
- Proud of what has been accomplished
- Positives from staff, parents and students
- The Board has seen the changes

Board Secretary DeLeon English mentioned how the good leadership is noticed and how outsiders are looking at us. Mr. English attended the TASA/TASB conference and people were making positive comments about LEISD.

Trustee Christopher Williams thanked Dr. Strike for all the hard work and for his values.

Trustee Alejandro Flores mentioned how it was pretty evident during the interviews who his selection was going to be.

## 9. Discussion Items

### A. Discuss the Waiver to limit the number of foreign exchange students

Mr. Matthew Gutierrez approached the Board about the Waiver to limit the number of foreign exchange students. The requirement would impose a financial or staffing hardship. The admission would diminish the District's ability to provide high quality education services for the District's domestic student or the admission would require domestic students to compete with foreign exchange students for educational resources.

### B. Discuss the Financial Report

Mr. Grant Anderson presented to the Board the regular monthly financial reports.

## 10. Consent Agenda

### A. Discuss and approve the Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Adjunct Faculty Resolution

### B. Discuss and approve the NCTC Addendum

### C. Discuss and approve the Little Elm ISD School Health Advisory Council (SHAC)

### D. Discuss and approve Gifts and Donations

Trustee Jason Olson made the first motion to approve the Consent Agenda as submitted. Board Secretary DeLeon English seconded the motion. The motion passed (7-0).

## 11. Comments of the Board President

Board President LeAnna Harding made the following comments and reminders:

- Well deserved contract for Dr. Strike
- Board Retreat
- Board Meeting next Monday night
- Agenda Items for retreat to Dr. Strike or Sonia by 10/21
- Prestwick STEM Academy on the Agenda
- Board Calendar on the Agenda
- Term Limits on the Agenda
- Reschedule Board of 8 Training – January 11<sup>th</sup> or 19<sup>th</sup>

## 12. Board Comments

- Trustee Alejandro Flores asked about the community in front of Elementary and if the District is willing to take any transfers
- Trustee Alejandro Flores inquired about funding for SAT
- Trustee Jason Olson asked about a statement for concerned parents about the protester

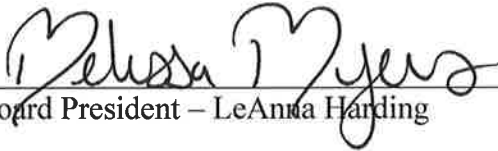
## 13. Superintendent Comments


Dr. Lowell Strike informed the Board about the great professional learning experience the staff had today because of Staff Development Day. Dr. Strike also commented about the Classic on the Lake Marching Competition and how he is receiving from Superintendents about the great hospitality.

14. Adjournment

Trustee Christopher Williams made the first motion to adjourn the meeting. Board Secretary DeLeon English seconded the motion. The motion passed (7-0).  
The meeting adjourned at 8:32 pm.

The minutes were approved on October 19, 2015.

  
Board President – LeAnna Harding

  
Board Secretary – DeLeon English