

**Minutes of the
April 15, 2019 Regular Meeting of the
China Spring Independent School District Board of Trustees**

The China Spring I.S.D. Board of Trustees met in a regular meeting on Monday, April 15, 2019. Superintendent Dr. Marc Faulkner, Assistant Superintendent Dr. Kevin Pitts, Executive Director of Finance Brenda Poteet, Executive Director of Instructional Services Jennifer Crook, Director of Special Education Lisa Howard, Dr. Max Rutherford, Miranda Brown, Kristen Dutschmann, Heather Jenkins and Kim Coe met with the following trustees: Rick Hines, Jeff Bradburn, Holly Dunham, Bubba Galvan, Chris Gerick, Trey Oakley and Matt Penney.

1. Call to Order

Rick Hines called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. noting that a quorum of Board Trustees was present and that the meeting had been duly called and that notice of the meeting had been posted in accordance with the Texas Government Code Chapter 551.

2. Prayer

The prayer was led by Bubba Galvan.

3. Pledge of Allegiance

The pledge was led by Middle School students in attendance at the meeting.

4. China Spring ISD Mission and Vision statements

A. MISSION STATEMENT

Our mission, in partnership with the community, is to provide individualized learning experiences to prepare students for success in life.

B. VISION STATEMENT

Our vision in China Spring Independent School District is to strive for continuous improvement of our educational system by providing opportunities for all to achieve excellence.

C. BELIEF STATEMENT

Our educational system promotes a shared culture serving all stakeholders.

Rick Hines read the statements.

5. Faculty & Staff Members of the Month

- a. Elementary Faculty Member of the Month – Holly Johnson
- b. Secondary Faculty Member of the Month – Daniel Farris
- c. Staff Member of the Month – E.J. Tatsch

Dr. Faulkner presented the faculty and staff member awards of the month to Holly Johnson, Daniel Farris, and E.J. Tatsch.

6. Campus Presentation – Middle School

Kristen Dutschmann, MS Principal and the Principal's Book Club members presented a discussion on their book study during the year. MS Science teacher Mrs. Stolle introduced a group of students who presented some of their science fair projects. MS Tech Katherine Melvin and teacher Ariane Exline used Pear Deck to present how they work on Written Expository Essays.

7. Approval of minutes from the regularly scheduled board meeting held on March 25, 2019 (Action Item)

Holly Dunham moved and Trey Oakley seconded the motion to approve the minutes from the regularly scheduled board meeting held on March 25, 2019. Rick Hines, Jeff Bradburn, Holly Dunham, Bubba Galvan, Chris Gerick, Trey Oakley and Matt Penney voted in favor of the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

8. Presentation by Wes Jackson with Cummings Westlake LLC representing the Markum Solar Project Investment Team in connection with an Application for Value Limitation Agreement Pursuant to Chapter 313 of the Texas Property Tax Code (Information Item)

Wes Jackson spoke to the board about a request for their consideration to accept an application for a Chapter 313 project.

9. Consideration, discussion, and possible approval of board policy CCGB(LOCAL) in reference to chapter 313 agreements of the Texas Property Tax Code(Action Item)

Since the district has never had a 313 agreement, the board discussed creating a local policy CCGB. Trey Oakley moved and Bubba Galvan seconded the motion to approve board policy CCGB(LOCAL) as presented. Rick Hines, Jeff Bradburn, Holly Dunham, Bubba Galvan, Chris Gerick, Trey Oakley and Matt Penney voted in favor of the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

10. Discussion and acknowledgement of the Conflict of Interest Policy BBFA(LEGAL) and (LOCAL) (Information Item)

As part of the process of approving a possible chapter 313 Agreement, Dr. Faulkner discussed the policies regarding conflicts of interest. If any conflicts of interest exist between the board members and the Chapter 313 clients, the board member(s) would complete the appropriate Conflict of Interest disclosure forms. No conflicts noted.

11. Consideration, discussion, and possible approval to accept an Application for Value Limitation Agreement from Markum Solar pursuant to Chapter 313 of the Texas Property Tax Code; authorize the Superintendent of Schools to review the Application for completeness and submit the Application to the Comptroller of Public Accounts; and authorize the Superintendent of Schools to approve any request for extension of the deadline for Board action beyond the 150-day Board review period as may be required (Action Item)

Michelle Alcala, attorney with Sara Leon & Associates, LLC spoke about Section 313 agreements. Jeff Bradburn moved and Matt Penney seconded the motion to accept the Application for Value Limitation Agreement from Markum Solar pursuant to Texas Property Tax Code, authorize the Superintendent to review the Application for completeness and submit the application to the Comptroller, and authorize the Superintendent to approve any request for extension of the deadline for Board action beyond the 150-day Board review period. Rick Hines, Jeff Bradburn, Holly Dunham, Bubba Galvan, Chris Gerick, Trey Oakley and Matt Penney voted in favor of the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

12. Consideration, discussion, and possible approval of entering into an agreement with Jigsaw School Finance Consulting Services to assist the District in the review and processing of the Application for Value Limitation Agreement from Markum Solar pursuant to Chapter 313 of the Texas Property Tax Code(Action Item)

Holly Dunham moved and Chris Gerick seconded the motion to approve engaging Jigsaw School Finance Consulting Services to assist with the review and processing of the Application for Value Limitation Agreement from Markum Solar. Rick Hines, Jeff Bradburn, Holly Dunham, Bubba Galvan, Chris Gerick, Trey Oakley and Matt Penney voted in favor of the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

13. Consideration, discussion, and possible approval of entering into an agreement to retain attorneys Sara Leon & Associates, LLC to assist the District in the review and processing of the Application for Value Limitation Agreement from Markum Solar pursuant to Chapter 313 of the Texas Property Tax Code(Action Item)

Chris Gerick moved and Bubba Galvan seconded the motion to retain attorneys Sara Leon & Associates, LLC to assist with the review and processing of the Application for Value Limitation Agreement from Markum Solar. Rick Hines, Jeff Bradburn, Holly Dunham, Bubba Galvan, Chris Gerick, Trey Oakley and Matt Penney voted in favor of the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

14. Public Comment

None.

15. Extra-Curricular and Student Organization Reports (Information Item)

A. Band

A. Band - Mr. Nichelson highlighted band accomplishments.

It was pointed out to the board that the motion made in item 11 needed to be amended so the board returned to Item 11.

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Jeff Bradburn moved and Matt Penney seconded a motion to amend the original motion in Item 11 to accept the Application as presented contingent upon receipt of a check with the required application fee as per board policy. Rick Hines, Jeff Bradburn, Holly Dunham, Bubba Galvan, Chris Gerick, Trey Oakley and Matt Penney voted in favor of the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

The board returned to item 15.

15. Extra-Curricular and Student Organization Reports (Information Item)

B. FFA

C. Athletics

B. FFA – Mr. Day presented on FFA happenings.

C. Athletics – Coach Mark Bell presented on athletic happenings noting that the district has qualified students in all sports to advance past district play.

16. Reports to the Board (Information Item)

A. Campus Principals

B. Executive Director of Business and Finance

C. Executive Director of Instructional Services

D. Director of Special Education

E. Assistant Superintendent

F. Superintendent

A. There were no questions on Campus Principal Reports.

B. Brenda Poteet presented the Business Managers Report including the Quarterly Investment Report for the period ended March 31, 2019.

C. Jennifer Crook presented the Instructional Services Report

D. Lisa Howard presented the Special Education Report.

E. Assistant Superintendent Kevin Pitts reported on maintenance and other district issues.

F. Dr. Faulkner gave the Superintendent's report:

1. Resignations – Anna Jones (4th grade); Christi Phipps (Diag); Hillary Keesee (teacher/coach); Justin Keys (MS); Carolyn Carr (MS).

2. Education Foundation Update – the Education Foundation held a successful golf tournament last Friday to raise funds for Scholarships and Teacher Grants.

The board opted to move Items 17 & 18 to the end of the meeting and take the remaining items in order, beginning with Item 19.

19. Review and questions of district purchases of supplies and personal property (Information Item)

There were no questions.

20. Consideration and discussion on Student Health Advisory Committee (SHAC) yearly meetings and recommendations. (Information Item)

Dr. Pitts made a short presentation on the Student Health Advisory Committee yearly meetings and recommendations for next year.

21. Consideration, discussion, and possible approval of extending the contract with Sodexo for food services in our district for the 19-20 school year (Action Item)

Holly Dunham moved and Trey Oakley seconded the motion to approve the contract extension with Sodexo for food services for the 19-20 school year. Rick Hines, Jeff Bradburn, Holly Dunham, Bubba Galvan, Chris Gerick, Trey Oakley and Matt Penney voted in favor of the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

22. Consideration, discussion, and possible approval of purchasing needed technology for the district (Action Item)

Bubba Galvan moved and Chris Gerick seconded the motion to approve purchase of new Ipads from Apple Inc. Education for \$39,600.00. Rick Hines, Jeff Bradburn, Holly Dunham, Bubba Galvan, Chris Gerick, Trey Oakley and Matt Penney voted in favor of the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

23. Consideration, discussion, and possible approval of purchasing chrome books for the Middle School (Action Item)

Chris Gerick moved and Bubba Galvan seconded the motion to approve purchase of new chrome books for the Middle School for \$19,504.80. Rick Hines, Jeff Bradburn, Holly Dunham, Bubba Galvan, Chris Gerick, Trey Oakley and Matt Penney voted in favor of the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

24. Consideration, discussion, and possible approval of budget amendments for the 2018-2019 operating budget (Action Item)

Trey Oakley moved and Matt Penney seconded the motion to approve budget amendments for the 2018-2019 operating budget as presented. Rick Hines, Jeff Bradburn, Holly Dunham, Bubba Galvan, Chris Gerick, Trey Oakley and Matt Penney voted in favor of the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

The board returned to Items 17 & 18.

17. Executive Session, Govt. Code 551.074

- A. Consideration, discussion, and possible approval of probationary teacher contracts for the 2019-2020 school year (Action Item)
- B. Consideration, discussion, and possible approval of teacher, nurses, librarian, and counselor contracts for the 2019-2020 school year (Action Item)
- C. Consultation with legal counsel regarding an Application for Value Limitation Agreement from Markum Solar pursuant to Chapter 313 of the Texas Property Tax Code.

The Board went into executive session at 7:47 p.m. pursuant to the following section of the Texas Open Meeting Act, Govt. Code 551.074.

The Board returned from Executive Session at 8:52p.m. with no action taken.

18. Action arising from Executive Session (Action Item)

- A. One year probationary contracts for the 2019-20 school year for Callan Bosley(HS), Barbara Knoll-Allen (Diag), Ashlyn Stewart (Elem), Karen Earwodd(Elem), and Lyndee Spencer (Elem) were recommended by Dr. Faulkner. Jeff Bradburn moved and Chris Gerick seconded the motion to approve the probationary contracts as presented. Rick Hines, Jeff Bradburn, Holly Dunham, Bubba Galvan, Chris Gerick, Trey Oakley and Matt Penney voted in favor of the motion. The motion carried unanimously.
- B. Chris Gerick moved and Matt Penney seconded the motion to approve the list of contracts for returning teachers, nurses, librarians, and counselors as presented by Dr. Faulkner. Rick Hines, Jeff Bradburn, Holly Dunham, Bubba Galvan, Chris Gerick, Trey Oakley and Matt Penney voted in favor of the motion. The motion carried unanimously.
- C. No action required

The board returned to Item 25.

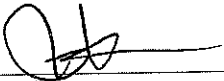
25. Discussion of future agenda items for May's regular board meeting (Information Item)

MS Crawl Space Bid Approval
Approve Contracts for 19-20
Budget Update/workshop
Reorganization of the board – elect officers


26. Adjourn (Action Item)

Holly Dunham moved and Trey Oakley seconded the motion to adjourn the meeting. Rick Hines, Jeff Bradburn, Holly Dunham, Bubba Galvan, Chris Gerick, Trey Oakley and Matt Penney voted in favor of the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:57p.m.



President



Secretary