Minutes of the December 17, 2018 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, December 17, 2018. 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, and Matt Penney. Trey Oakley was absent.

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 FFA 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

Attitudes and actions drive change for significant improvement.

Rick Hines read the statements.

5. Faculty & Staff Members of the Month

- a. Elementary Faculty Member of the Month Yvette Picazo
- b. Secondary Faculty Member of the Month Shriena Ghazzagh
- c. Staff Member of the Month Kim Hofferichter

Dr. Faulkner presented the faculty and staff member awards of the month to Yvette Picazo, Shriena Ghazzagh, and Kim Hofferichter.

6. Public Comment

There was no public comment.

7. Reports to the Board (Information Item)

- A. Extra-Curricular (Athletics, Band, FFA)
- B. Recognition of Dr. Max Rutherford
- C. High School Campus Presentation
- D. Executive Director of Business and Finance
- E. Executive Director of Instructional Services
- F. Director of Special Education
- G. Assistant Superintendent
- H. Campus Principals
- I. Superintendent

- A. Athletics Coach Keesee gave the athletics update including highlights of the upcoming girls soccer season and Coach Pell gave an update on the upcoming boys soccer season. Band Mr. Nichelson highlighted band accomplishments. FFA Mr. Day highlighted FFA accomplishments.
- B. Dr. Faulkner congratulated the new doctor at CS High School Principal Dr. Max Rutherford, who recently completed his doctorate.
- C. High School Presentation Dr. Max Rutherford, Principal introduced his Assistant Principals Rob Rogers and David Ellis; HS Student Council members reported on SC happenings; Cougars in Action sponsor Amy Faulkner and students reported on their community service projects; National Honor Society sponsor Sandra Anz and students highlighted their service projects for the community and the high school; Engineering Math sponsor Mrs. McDuff and students presented a demonstration of their innovator program and robot; HS Speech/Debate sponsor Mr. Donaldson and students presented highlights of their speech/ debate events
- D. Brenda Poteet presented the Business Managers Report.
- E. Jennifer Crook presented the Instructional Services Report.
- F. Lisa Howard presented the Special Education Report.
- G. Assistant Superintendent Kevin Pitts reported on the Parent Summit presentations hosted by the district. He also highlighted current maintenance items including water under the Middle School gym area.
- H. Campus Principals reports were included in the board packet.
- I. Dr. Faulkner gave the Superintendent's report:
 - a. TASB Legislative Conference upcoming on February 26, 2019
 - b. Tennis Court Complex Construction Update
 - c. Resignations HS College Transition and Senior English Teacher Christienne Martin will leave at Christmas break due to husband's job relocation; Kim Johnson will be retiring in January at the end of the first semester; Karen Rigsby is resigning in January at the end of the first semester due to husband's job relocation.
 - d. 3 employee agreements offered to fill these 3 openings for the remainder of the year - Destiny Rappe (Johnson), Jessica Appleman (Rigsby), Meagan Collier (Martin)
- 8. Approval of minutes from the regularly scheduled board meeting held on November 12, 2018 and the called meeting held on December 3, 2018 (Action Item)

Holly Dunham moved and Matt Penney seconded the motion to approve the minutes from the regularly scheduled board meeting held on November 12, 2018 and the called meeting held on December 3, 2018. Rick Hines, Jeff Bradburn, Holly Dunham, Bubba Galvan, Chris Gerick, and Matt Penney voted in favor of the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

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

There were no questions.

10. Consideration, discussion, and possible approval of authorizing the superintendent to put \$25,000 of earnest money down on property the district would like to purchase for future schools and change the feasibility study to 40 days (Action Item)

In October, board had authorized \$10,000 for purchase of land and 60 day feasibility study. Jeff Bradburn moved and Chris Gerick seconded a motion to approve the authorization for Dr. Faulkner to put \$25,000 earnest money down on the property the district would like to purchase and allow him to negotiate to change the feasibility study down to 40 days. Jeff Bradburn, Holly Dunham, Chris Gerick, and Matt Penney voted in favor of the motion. Rick Hines and Bubba Galvan abstained. The motion carried.

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

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

12. Consideration, discussion, and possible approval of purchasing the 86.536 acres for future schools contingent upon successful due diligence (Action Item)

Jeff Bradburn moved and Chris Gerick seconded the motion to approve the purchase of 86.536 acres at a price of \$16,125.74 per acre for future schools contingent upon successful due diligence. Total sales price would be \$1,395,457.00. Jeff Bradburn, Holly Dunham, Chris Gerick, and Matt Penney voted in favor of the motion. Rick Hines and Bubba Galvan abstained The motion carried.

13. Executive Session, Govt. Code 551.072 and 551.074

The Board went into executive session at 7:16p.m. pursuant to the Texas Open Meeting Act, Govt. Code 551.072 and 551.074.

- A. Consideration, discussion and possible approval of the superintendent's contract and benefits package (Action Item)
- B. Discussion of real property

The Board returned from executive session at 8:48 p.m. with no action taken.

14. Action arising from Executive Session (Action Item)

Jeff Bradburn moved and Bubba Galvan seconded the motion to approve increasing Dr. Faulkner's base salary of \$142,100 by 1.5% for an increase of \$2,131.50 for a total base salary of \$144,231.50, and to move his current benefits of \$5,000 automobile allowance, \$2,200 technology allowance, and \$7,000 annuity allowance into his base salary totaling a new all in salary of \$158,431.50 and to extend his contract by 1 year. Rick Hines, Jeff Bradburn, Holly Dunham, Bubba Galvan, Chris Gerick, and Matt Penney voted in favor of the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

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

School Board Appreciation Festivities
Update/Approval of Tennis Court Complex Construction Items
Update on Land Purchase
Public Hearing on the Annual Performance Report
Call for an Election of the Board of Trustees
Superintendent Evaluation

17. Adjourn (Action Item)

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

The meeting was adjourned at 8:51p.m.

Precident

Secretary