

**Minutes of the
August 17, 2020
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, August 17, 2020. Superintendent Dr. Marc Faulkner, Deputy Superintendent Dr. Kevin Pitts, Assistant Superintendent of Curriculum, Instruction & Assessment Jennifer Crook, Executive Director of Finance Brenda Poteet, Executive Director of Special Programs Lisa Howard, Max Rutherford, Lath Boykin, Heather Jenkins, Kristen Dutschmann and Rob Rogers met with the following trustees: Rick Hines, Jeff Bradburn,, Holly Dunham, Chris Gerick, Bubba Galvan, Matt Penney and Trey Oakley.

1. Call to Order

Rick Hines called the meeting to order at 6:03 p.m. noting that a quorum of Board Trustees was present. He also noted 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 Coach Mark Bell.

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

All students can reach their greatest potential by becoming independent, productive life-long learners.

Rick Hines read the statements.

5. Public Comment

There was no public comment.

6. Approval of minutes from the regularly scheduled board meeting held on July 20, 2020 (Action Item)

Matt Penney moved and Trey Oakley seconded the motion to approve the minutes from the regularly scheduled board meeting held on July 20, 2020. Rick Hines, Jeff Bradburn, Holly Dunham, Chris Gerick, Bubba Galvan, Matt Penney and Trey Oakley voted in favor of the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

7. Extra-Curricular Reports to the Board (Information Item)

- A. Athletics
- B. Band

- A. Coach Mark Bell gave an update on athletic plans regarding the various seasons that are starting up and plans related to COVID.
- B. Mr. Nicholson gave an update on band happenings and the upcoming season and plans related to COVID.

8. Reports to the Board (Information Item)

- A. Campus Principals
- B. Executive Director of Finance
- C. Assistant Superintendent of Curriculum, Instruction, and Assessment
- D. Executive Director of Special Programs
- E. Deputy Superintendent

F. Superintendent

1. Retirements

- A. Campus principals gave reports on plans for the upcoming first day of school this week.
- B. Executive Director of Finance Brenda Poteet gave the Executive Director of Finance Report including presentation of the final calculated loss for 2019-20 for Food Service due to the COVID shutdown.
- C. Assistant Superintendent of Curriculum, Instruction & Assessment Jennifer Crook gave a report on Instructional Services including this year's virtual In Service and the July Leadership retreat for Admin staff.
- D. Executive Director of Special Programs Lisa Howard gave a report on Special Education/Special Programs and plans for the school year.
- E. Deputy Superintendent Kevin Pitts reported on various maintenance and transportation issues including COVID cleaning/sanitizing plans.
- F. Dr. Faulkner gave the Superintendent's report:
 - 1. Dr. Faulkner noted resignations – Cindy Davis, Social Worker retired as of August 15th.
 - 2. Dr. Faulkner also gave an update on the COVID safety devices being built to help provide social distancing/reduce the spread of germs.
 - 3. Dr. Faulkner noted that approximately 19% of our student body will be returning virtually and highlighted our Schoology LMS which will be used to assist teachers in providing instruction to students.

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

There were no questions on district purchases of supplies.

Items 10 and 11 on the Agenda were taken in reverse order in order to discuss/pass the defeasance resolution before approving the tax rate.

11. Consideration, discussion, and possible approval of a resolution providing for the defeasance and calling for redemption of certain currently outstanding district obligations; delegating to certain district officials and staff the authority to effectuate matters herein resolved; and other matters in connection therewith (Action Item)

Holly Dunham moved and Bubba Galvan seconded the motion to approve the resolution providing for the defeasance and calling for redemption of certain currently outstanding district obligations; delegating to certain district officials and staff the authority to effectuate matters herein resolved; and other matters in connection therewith. Rick Hines, Jeff Bradburn, Holly Dunham, Chris Gerick, Bubba Galvan, Matt Penney and Trey Oakley voted in favor of the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

10. Consideration, discussion and possible approval of adoption of tax rate for the 2020-2021 school year (Action Item)

Jeff Bradburn moved and Chris Gerick seconded the motion to adopt a tax rate of \$1.257416 (M&O rate .9333, I&S rate .324116) for the 2020-21 school year. Rick Hines, Jeff Bradburn, Holly Dunham, Chris Gerick, Bubba Galvan, Matt Penney and Trey Oakley voted in favor of the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

12. Consideration, discussion, and possible approval of certified T-TESS appraisers for China Spring ISD for 2020-2021 (Action Item)

Holly Dunham moved and Chris Gerick seconded the motion to approve the list of certified T-TESS appraisers: Jennifer Crook, Lisa Howard, Leslie Smith, Dr. Max Rutherford, David Ellis, Haily Rambo, Lath Boykin, Brittany Brown, Heather Jenkins, Jimmy Ross, Jennifer May, Kristen Dutschmann, Jeremy Gilbert, Zabrina Lard, Ashley Peacock and Rob Rogers as presented. Rick Hines, Jeff Bradburn, Holly Dunham, Chris Gerick, Bubba Galvan, Matt Penney and Trey Oakley voted in favor of the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

13. Consideration, discussion, and possible approval of Renaissance Star Math and Star Reading Universal Screener for IMA (Action Item)

Trey Oakley moved and Matt Penney seconded the motion to purchase Renaissance Star Math and Star Reading Universal Screener at a cost of \$20,242.50 utilizing IMA funds. Rick Hines, Jeff Bradburn, Holly Dunham, Chris Gerick, Bubba Galvan, Matt Penney and Trey Oakley voted in favor of the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

14. First reading of Board Policy Update 115 (Information Item)

Dr. Faulkner noted that the recommended updates from TASB for Board Policy were included in the board packet.

The board opted to take items 17 & 18 out of order, prior to item # 15 Executive Session.

17. Consideration, discussion, and possible approval of an alternate screener for 7th grade to apply for a waiver from TEA (Action Item)

Matt Penney moved and Bubba Galvan seconded the motion to approve an alternate screener for 7th grade to apply for a waiver from TEA if necessary. Rick Hines, Jeff Bradburn, Holly Dunham, Chris Gerick, Bubba Galvan, Matt Penney and Trey Oakley voted in favor of the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

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

TASA/TASB Virtual Conference
Campus Attendance Review Committees
Campus Improvement Plans
Investment Policy Review

The board returned to item 15.

15. Executive Session, Govt. Code 551.074

A. Discussion of Personnel

The Board went into Executive Session at 7:04p.m. and returned at 8:05p.m. with no action taken.

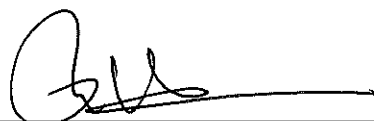
16. Action arising from Executive Session (Action Item)

No action taken

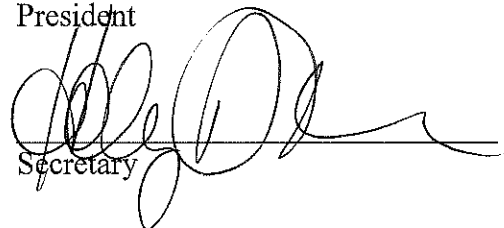
19. Adjourn (Action Item)

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

The meeting was adjourned at 8:06 p.m.



President



Secretary