

Minutes of Regular Meeting

The Board of Trustees Tomball ISD

A Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees of Tomball ISD will be held May 12, 2020, beginning at 5:35 PM via Zoom Video Meeting or teleconference call. In order to participate in this Regular Meeting, you may click on the following link:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81969703373?pwd=L1lOWjVJZ3YrRE9CRjNPbUN2V2JZQT09>

Meeting ID: 819 6970 3373

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If, during the course of the meeting covered by this notice, the Board should determine that a closed session of the Board should be held or is required in relation to any item included in this notice, then such closed session as authorized by Section 551.001 of the Texas Government Code (the Open Meetings Act) will be held by the Board at that date, hour and place given in this notice or as soon after the commencement of the meeting covered by this notice as the Board may conveniently meet in such closed session concerning any and all subjects and for any and all purposes permitted by Sections 551.071 through 551.084, of the Open Meetings Act

The subjects to be discussed or considered or upon which any formal action may be taken are as listed below. Items do not have to be taken in the order shown on this meeting notice.

1. OPENING

A. CALL TO ORDER

President Pratt called the meeting to order at 5:35 PM and did a roll call of the Board Members present and duly noted that a quorum was present. The meeting tonight was recorded in accordance with Gov't Code 551.128(b-1)–(b-6).

Michael Pratt, President

Matt Schiel, Vice President

Kathy Handler, Secretary

Lee McLeod, Assistant Secretary

Mark Lewandowski, Trustee

John E. McStravick, Trustee

Justin Unser, Trustee

Board Member Absent:

None

Cabinet Present:

Dr. Martha Salazar-Zamora, Superintendent

Jeff McCanna, Chief of Human Talent

Jim Ross, Chief Financial Officer

Dr. Amy Schindewolf, Chief Academic Officer

Dr. Steven Gutierrez, Chief Operating Officer

Rita Beisert, Reporting Secretary

President Pratt read the following statement:

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B. Opening Remarks

The Opening Remarks were given by Lee McLeod.

C. Pledges

The Pledges were recited by Mark Lewandowski.

D. Mission Statement

The Mission Statement was recited by Kathy Handler.

2. **PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS:** Due to the mandatory stay-at-home orders put in place by the governor of Texas, Tomball ISD is temporarily adjusting its procedures for individuals to sign up for public comment at a Board meeting. This adjustment will only be in effect during the time the district is closed but offering remote instruction. You must register by completing a form online <https://tomballisd.net/public-comments/> between 8:00 AM and 1:00 PM on May 12, 2020. No one registered to speak.
3. **PUBLIC COMMENT ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS:** A Tomball ISD employee, resident, student, student's guardian, taxpayer, vendor or potential vendor shall have an opportunity to address the Board of Trustees on topics relevant to District business. Due to the mandatory stay-at-home orders put in place by the governor of Texas, Tomball ISD is temporarily adjusting its procedures for individuals to sign up for public comment at a Board meeting. This adjustment will only be in effect during the time the district is closed but offering remote instruction. You must register by completing a form online <https://tomballisd.net/public-comments/> between 8:00 AM and 1:00 PM on May 12, 2020. No one registered to speak.

4. CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Approve the minutes of the workshop meeting held on April 13, 2020.
- B. Approve the minutes of the regular meeting held on April 13, 2020.
- C. Approve the Check Register for April, 2020.
- D. Donations

In accordance with BAA (Legal) the Board has the authority to receive bequests and donations or other moneys or funds coming legally into its hands in the name of the District. Education Code 11.151(a).

- 1. Accept a donation of \$7,303.94 from Creekside Forest Elementary School PTO to Creekside Forest Elementary School to be used for playground improvements.

- E. Approve new employment of professional personnel to work under a One-Year Probationary Contract, One-Year Probationary Dual Assignment Contract, for the 2020-2021 School Year at the Tomball ISD Salary Schedule, subject to assignment.

Motion was made by Handler and seconded by McStravick to approve the consent agenda.

McStravick states "In respect of my vote on the consent agenda, I am specifically abstaining from any matter regarding Karczewski, Bradshaw & Spalding.

YEAS Motion carried unanimously

5. CONSIDERED AGENDA

- A. Motion was made by Schiel and seconded by McLeod to approve the renewal of the Student Athletic Insurance including Catastrophic "Umbrella" Coverage to Texas Kids First for a total premium of \$70,034 which is a \$6,040 increase from last year. The contract period will be from August 1, 2020 to August 1, 2021. (Priorities 3 & 7)

YEAS Motion carried unanimously

- B. Motion was made by McStravick and seconded by Lewandowski to approve the Tomball ISD Transportation Department's use of third party testing for Commercial Driver's License with Spring ISD (Priority 7).

YEAS Motion carried unanimously

- C. Motion was made by McStravick and seconded by Handler to approve the easement to CenterPoint Energy for service to Tomball High School Agricultural Science Project Center. (Priority 7)

YEAS Motion carried unanimously

- D. Motion was made by Lewandowski and seconded by McLeod to adopt a Resolution to Release Committed and Assigned Fund Balances for Site Development of the 205 acre site moving General Fund surplus to the Capital Projects. (Priority 7)

YEAS Motion carried unanimously

- E. Motion was made by Handler and seconded by McStravick to adopt a Resolution Regarding Return to Work Following COVID-19 Closure which will end time and half compensation for most staff. (Priority 7)

YEAS Motion carried unanimously

- F. Motion was made by Lewandowski and seconded by McLeod to approve the 2020-2021 Salary and Benefits Book. (Priorities 6 & 7)

YEAS Motion carried unanimously

G. Motion was made by McLeod and seconded by Unser to approve a General Pay Increase of 2% of the midpoint value in the district pay schedules for the 2020-2021 fiscal year. (Priority 7)

YEAS Motion carried unanimously

H. Motion was made by Lewandowski and seconded by McLeod to approve the release of Career & Technical Education (CTE) Restricted Funds in the amount of \$941,993.00 in order to support Career & Technical Education programming for the 2020-2021 school year. (Priorities 1, 2, 4 & 7)

YEAS Motion carried unanimously

I. Motion was made by McStravick and seconded by Handler to approve the purchase of an extended four-year subscription of Studies Weekly Social Studies instructional materials of \$233,969 to be funded from the Instructional Materials Allotment. (Priorities 1 & 2)

YEAS Motion carried unanimously

J. Motion was made by McLeod and seconded by Handler to approve the adoption of textbooks under Proclamation 2020 9-12 English Language Arts Advanced Courses: Bedford to be funded through Instructional Materials Allotment. (Priorities 1 & 2)

YEAS Motion carried unanimously

K. Motion was made by Schiel and seconded by McStravick to approve the adoption of textbooks under Proclamation 2020 9-12 English Language Arts: Houghton Mifflin Harcourt to be funded through Instructional Materials Allotment. (Priority 1 & 2)

YEAS Motion carried unanimously

L. Motion was made by Lewandowski and seconded by Schiel to approve the employment of professional personnel to work under a Probationary, One-Year Contract, and One-Year Dual Assignment Contracts for the 2020-2021 School Year at the Tomball ISD Salary Schedule, subject to assignment. (Priority 6)

Assistant Principals
Assistant Director
Coordinator
Teachers
Nurse
Counselor

YEAS Motion carried unanimously

6. RESIGNATIONS AND RETIREMENTS

7. ENROLLMENT

8. FINANCE/TAX REPORTS

9. DELINQUENT TAX REPORT

10. CONSTRUCTION UPDATE

11. CLOSED MEETING

There was not a closed meeting.

12. BOARD COMMENTS

Board Members had the opportunity to make comments during this portion of the agenda without prior posting being required.

13. **ADJOURNMENT**

Motion was made by Handler and seconded by McStravick to adjourn the meeting at 6:04 PM.

YEAS Motion carried unanimously

Michael Pratt, President
Board of Trustees
Tomball Independent School District

Kathy Handler, Secretary
Board of Trustees
Tomball Independent School District

These minutes were approved at the Regular Board Meeting held on June 9, 2020.