

Minutes of Regular Meeting

The Board of Trustees Little Elm ISD

A Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees of Little Elm ISD was held Monday, December 16, 2019, beginning at 6:30 PM in the Zellars Center for Learning and Leadership.

PRESENT: President David Montemayor, Vice President Jason Olson, Secretary Alejandro Flores, Trustee Melissa Myers, Trustee Dan Blackwood and Superintendent Daniel Gallagher.

ABSENT: Trustee DeLeon English and Trustee LeAnna Harding.

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 David Montemayor called the Board meeting to order at 6:30 pm.
2. Pledge of Allegiance
The Board led those in attendance to the Pledges of The United States Flag and The Texas Flag.
3. Invocation
There was no invocation.
4. Introduction and Roll Call
Ms. Sonia S. Flores took roll call.
5. Superintendent Spotlight
 - A. Cesar Chavez Elementary
Principal Liz Miller introduced to the Board Ms. Megan Hoffman and the choir. They performed a couple of Christmas songs.
 - B. Little Elm High School - Students of the Month
Ms. Renee Pentecost presented Pablo Lobato and Celastine Wigington the student of the month awards.
 - C. Little Elm ISD Education Foundation Check Presentation
Ms. Cecelia Jones presented to the Board the LEISD Education Foundation members. The members presented a check for \$28,015.49 to the District.
 - D. NISE Update
Dr. Cyndy Mika introduced Mr. Stephen Richardson and Christie Gibson to the Board. Mr. Richardson and Ms. Gibson shared the following information:
 - NISE STEM certificates integrate the most recent research and best practices in STEM, 21st Century Learning and professional development.
 - Requirement/Support for teachers earning NISE Stem teacher certificate
 - Campuses currently in process of NISE STEM Campus Certification

E. Superintendent Recognition

Mr. Daniel Gallagher presented the Triple E recognition to Mr. Bill Bush. He thanked Mr. Bush for all the great things he is doing at AIMS/Goals and DAEP.

F. Introductions for New LEISD Leadership - Little Elm High School Principal Position

Mr. Ross Roberts introduced to the Board Dr. Elizabeth Priddy as the new LEHS Principal.

Items 8A and 8E were presented at this time.

6. Citizen Input

Audience participation shall be permitted at regular Board meetings and shall be limited to the public comment portion designated for that purpose

Ms. Tamia Thompson approached the Board about Graduation Cords.

Item 10C was moved to after Citizen Input.

7. The Board recessed into Closed Meeting in PL1 as permitted by the Texas Open Meetings Act Code Subchapter 551.071, 551.072, and 551.074 at 7:51 pm. The Board and Superintendent discussed:

A. Consultation with Attorney

1. To consult with its attorney when the Board seeks advice about pending or contemplated litigation or a settlement offer, or when the attorney will have an ethical duty of confidentiality. (Tex. Gov't Code 551.071).

- a. Consultation with District legal counsel regarding TEA Docket No. 051-SE-1019.

B. Student Information

1. To deliberate a matter regarding a public school student if personally identifiable information about the student will necessarily be revealed by the deliberation unless an open meeting about the matter is requested in writing by the student's parent. (Tex. Gov't Code 551.0821).

- a. Deliberations regarding TEA Docket No. 051-SE-1019.

C. Personnel

D. Land

The Board reconvened at 9:28 pm.

8. Reports of the Superintendent

A. Little Elm Police Department's Update to the LEISD Board of Trustees

Mr. Ross Roberts introduced Chief Rodney Harrison to the Board. Chief Harrison briefed the Board on the following:

- 2663 contacts (calls)
- 318 elementary
- 313 Lakeside
- 1996 LEHS
- 36 Stadium
- 7 assaults
- 15 fights

- 11 threats
- 24 drug cases
- LEHS zero tobacco last year
- 12 vaping
- LMS 0 tobacco last year
- 9 vaping
- 2 vaping
- Safe District

Chief Harrison congratulated Mr. Bill Bush about making a difference at LEISD as well as the SROs.

B. Fundraising Information for LEISD - Update

Mr. Ross Roberts briefed the Board with the following Snapraise Practices in LEISD:

- 2 fundraisers per year – HS and MS sports
- Athletics uses Snapraise to purchase practice clothes, sweats, and game shoes
- Purchasing practice clothes, sweats, and game shoes – discontinued years ago
- The cost of practice clothes, sweats, and game shoes were past along to parents to purchase or booster clubs via fundraiser
- HS athletic groups raised more than \$47,000 dollars in 17-18 and 18-19
- MS athletic groups raised more than \$19,500 during the 17-18 school year and more than \$12,500 in 18-19
- Majority of deposits paid for additional equipment

C. Process for Challenging Instructional Materials

Dr. Cyndy A. Mika informed the Board about the following:

Challenging Instructional Materials

- Board Policy
- Regulations
- Timeline
- Formal Challenge of Instructional Materials
- Review Committee
- Notification
- For Consideration of an Appeal
- Process

D. Orchestra Update

Dr. Cyndy A. Mika shared with the Board the following:

- Capital Outlay
- Budget
- Program Start-Up
- Program Start-Up Estimated Costs
- Considerations

E. 2017 Bond Program Management Review

Mr. Grant Anderson introduced Ms. Tracy Ginsburg from TASBO who presented the following:

TASBO – Little Elm Management Review Report

- Purpose of the Review
- Scope
- Team Members
- Commendations
- Section 1: Board Oversight & Approval
- Section 2: Management of the Bond Program
- Section 3: Public Transparency
- Section 4: Financial Controls Over Bond Funds
- Recommendations

F. 3rd Quarter 2019 Growth Report

Mr. Rod Reeves briefed the Board on the following:

Quarterly Report 3Q19

- Enrollment History
- Annual Enrollment Change
- Economic Conditions – DFW Area
- District Demographic Snapshot
- LEISD Housing Market Analysis
- LEISD Housing Market
- New Housing Activity
- DFW New Home Ranking Report
- New Housing Activity by Elementary Zone
- District Housing Overview
- Multi-Family Housing Overview
- Forecasted LEISD New Home Activity
- 5 Year Change in Residential Units by Planning Area
- Total Residential Units by Elementary Zone, 2019/20-2024/25
- District Yields
- Total Student Yield by Active Subdivision
- District Multi-Family Yield
- Newcomer and Leaver Analysis
- LEISD KG Enrollment vs. District Births
- Ten Year Forecast by Grade Level
- Ten Year Forecast by Campus
- Key Takeaways

9. Approval of Minutes

A. Consider Regular Board Meeting Minutes - 11/18/2019

Ms. Sonia S. Flores shared with the Board the November 18, 2019 Regular Board Meeting Minutes.

Vice President Jason Olson made the first motion to approve the minutes as submitted with the corrections on items 8B and 10B. The correction is to change secretary to vice president. Secretary Alejandro Flores seconded the motion.

The motion passed (5-0).

10. Action Items

- A. Consider and take Possible Action on TEA Docket No. 051-SE-1019
The Administration recommended that the Board approved the terms of the settlement agreement as discussed in closed session.
Vice President Jason Olson made the first motion to approve as recommended.
Trustee Dan Blackwood seconded the motion. The motion passed (5-0).
- B. Consider TASB's Legal Update 114
Mr. Clint Miller shared with the Board TASB's Legal Update 114. This update encompasses changes in law from the 86th Legislative Session that have an immediate effect on the governance and management of the district.
Trustee Dan Blackwood made the first motion to approve as submitted. Trustee Melissa Myers seconded. The motion passed (5-0).
- C. Consider Annual Financial Report for Year Ended August 31, 2019
This action item was moved up on the agenda.
Mr. Grant Anderson introduced Mr. Dan Tonn. Mr. Tonn briefed the Board on the findings of the Annual Financial Report for Year Ended August 31, 2019.
The report included the following:
- Certificate of Board
 - Independent Auditor's Report
 - Basic Financial Statements
 - Required Supplementary Information
 - Combining Schedules
 - Required TEA Schedules
 - Federal Awards Section
- Vice President Jason Olson made the first motion to approve this item as submitted. Secretary Alejandro Flores seconded the motion. The motion passed (5-0).
- D. Consider Financial Reports
Mr. Grant Anderson shared the following with the Board:
Financial Report
- Notes to Financials
 - Future Financial Considerations
 - General Fund
 - Fund Balance
 - Capital Outlay
 - Bond Projects
 - Debt Service Fund
 - Financials in Board Packet
- Vice President Jason Olson made the first motion to approve as submitted.
Trustee Dan Blackwood seconded. The motion passed (5-0).
- E. Consider Little Elm ISD Interlocal Summary Report
Mr. Grant Anderson briefed the Board in regards to the LEISD Interlocal Summary Report. This allows to purchase products or services from other governmental entities which have been properly awarded contracts through statutorily authorized methods.

Trustee Dan Blackwood made the first motion to approve this item as submitted. Secretary Alejandro Flores seconded the motion. The motion passed (5-0).

11. Consent Agenda

A. Consider 2020-2021 Little Elm ISD Calendar

B. Consider Approval of 2019 Tax Roll

C. Consider Gifts and Donations

D. 2019/20 Capital Outlay Projects

E. Consider Declaring Technology Equipment Surplus and Authorizing for Disposal and Donation

Vice President Jason Olson made the first motion to approve the Consent Agenda as submitted. Trustee Melissa Myers seconded the motion. The motion passed (5-0).

12. Board President Comments

Presenter David Montemayor thanked everyone present and wished everyone a Merry Christmas.

13. Board Comments

Trustee Melissa Myers – Happy Holidays

Secretary Alejandro Flores – Happy Holidays

Vice President Jason Olson – Thanks to The LEISD Education Foundation and Chief Harrison. Happy Holidays

Trustee Dan Blackwood – Thanks to Grant about TASBO report. Happy Holidays.

14. Superintendent Comments

Superintendent Daniel Gallagher commented on the following:

- Thanks to the Board for their support and all they do
- Merry Christmas
- Thanks to staff for staying late
- Thanks to Yamile Quintero for the amazing job at Angel Tree

15. Adjournment

Vice President Jason Olson made the first motion to adjourn the meeting. Secretary Alejandro Flores seconded the motion. The motion passed (5-0).

The meeting adjourned at 10:33 pm.

