

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, July 17, 2017, beginning at 6:30 PM in the Zellars Center for Learning and Leadership.

PRESENT: Board President Melissa Myers, Board Vice President David Montemayor, Board Secretary Alejandro Flores, Trustee LeAnna Harding, Trustee Alejandro Flores, Trustee DeLeon English and Superintendent Dr. Lowell H. Strike.

ABSENT: Trustee Dan Blackwood.

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 Melissa Myers called the meeting to order at 6:31 pm.
2. Pledge of Allegiance
The Board led those in attendance to The United States Flag and The Texas State Flag.
3. Invocation
There was no invocation.
4. Introduction and Roll Call
Ms. Sonia F. Badillo took roll call.
5. Approval of Minutes
 - A. Discuss and approve Regular Board Meeting Minutes - 6/19/2017
 - B. Discuss and approve Special Meeting Minutes - 3-06-2017
 - C. Discuss and approve Special Meeting Minutes - 6-07-2017
Board Secretary Jason Olson made the first motion to approve the minutes as submitted. Trustee Alejandro Flores seconded the motion. The motion passed (6-0).
6. Superintendent Spotlight
 - A. Introduce a New Partnership with Credit Union of Texas
Dr. Tony Tipton and Ms. Cortney Clover introduced to the Board Ms. Ana Ortiz from Credit Union of Texas. Dr. Tipton and Ms. Ortiz made a special announcement. With the partnership between LEISD and CUTX, and a unique relationship between CTE & Special Populations, LEISD will have an 18' custom-made food trailer.
Ana Ortiz from CUTX Michelle Parker, Amy Chadborne, Cortney Sims.
7. Citizen Input

There was no citizen input.

8. Reports of the Superintendent

A. Professional Learning Update

Ms. Amanda Ball shared with the Board a presentation with the following information:

Update 2016-2017

- Summer Learning Summit
- Overview
- Impactful Professional Learning
- Advanced Academics
- AVID Site Teams
- Gifted & Talented Update
- More Summer Learning
- Advanced Placement Summer Institute
- AVID
- Summer Institute
- Advanced Placement Growth
- New Teacher Orientation
- Fall Kick Off
- 2nd Annual E3 Conference

B. Legislative Session Update

Presenter: Dr. Cyndy A. Mika

Legislative Update

- New Laws 2017
- 2017-18 Curriculum and Instruction
- 2017-18 Assessment
- 2017-18 Accountability
- 2018-19 Curriculum and Instruction
- Some stuff we need to know...
- 2017-18 School Year / Curriculum and Instruction
- SB 463
- SB 179 "David's Law"
- A-F Accountability Ratings – HB 22
- 2017-28 School Year / Accountability

C. Employee Compensation

Mr. Grant Anderson briefed the Board in regards to the Employee compensation. Two percent increase in employee base salary compensation beginning with the 2017-2018 school year.

D. Discuss Educator of the Year Recognition Award

Mr. DeLeon English shared with the Board a presentation in regards to a recognition for the Educator of the Year Award.

Board Recognition Program in LEISD

- Recognition in LEISD

E. Discuss Focus Areas for Academic Achievement

Mr. DeLeon English shared with the Board a presentation to discuss focus areas for academic achievement. The presentation included the following:

Embellishing a Philosophy of Academic Success

- Academic Achievement in LEISD
- How do we focus on Academic Achievement as a Board?
- Recommendations going forward
- Q & A

F. 1st Quarter 2017 Growth Report

Presenter: Rod Reeves

Quarter Report

- Economic Conditions – DFW Area
- DFW New Home Ranking Report
- New Housing Activity
- District Housing Overview
- Annual District Closing
- Future Lots
- New Home Activity by Elementary Zone
- Summary

9. The Board recessed into Closed Meeting in PL1 as permitted by the Texas Open Meetings Act Code Subchapter 551.072 and 551.074 at 7:54 pm. The Board and Superintendent discussed:

- A. Discussion and Consideration of Candidate(s) for the Position of Superintendent and the possible Naming of Lone Finalist for the Position of Superintendent
- B. Discussion and Consideration of Possible Delegation of Authority to Negotiate Superintendent Contract to the Board President
- C. Personnel
- D. Land

The Board reconvened at 8:51 pm.

10. Consent Agenda

- A. Discuss and approve the Addition to 2017-2018 Stipends Teacher Mentor Program Stipend
 - B. Discuss and approve the Update to 2017-2018 School Calendar
 - C. Discuss and approve the 2017-2018 Student Code of Conduct
 - D. Discuss and approve Gifts and Donations
- Trustee LeAnna Harding made the first motion to approve the consent agenda as submitted. Trustee DeLeon English seconded the motion. The motion passed (6-0).

11. Action Items

- A. Discuss and approve the Little Elm ISD Contract Summary Report
- Mr. Grant Anderson briefed the Board about the Little Elm ISD Contract Summary Report. This allows LEISD to purchase products or services from the list and which have been properly awarded through statutorily authorized

methods.

Trustee Alejandro Flores made the first motion to approve the Little elm ISD Contract Summary Report as submitted. Trustee DeLeon English seconded the motion. The motion passed (6-0).

B. Discuss and approve the Little Elm ISD Expenditures over \$50,000 Summary Report

Mr. Grant Anderson shared with the Board the Little Elm ISD Expenditures over \$50,000 Summary Report. This summary report allows LEISD to purchase products or services from other governmental entities valued over \$50,000 and that have been properly purchased through statutorily authorized methods.

Board Secretary Jason Olson made the first motion to approve the Little Elm ISD Expenditures over \$50,000 Summary Report as submitted. Trustee Alejandro Flores seconded the motion. The motion passed (6-0).

C. Discuss and approve the Little Elm ISD Interlocal Summary Report

Mr. Grant Anderson approached the Board about the Little Elm ISD Interlocal Summary Report. This report allows LEISD to purchase products or services from other governmental entities.

Trustee LeAnna Harding made the first motion to approve the Little Elm ISD Interlocal Summary Report as submitted. Board Vice President David Montemayor seconded the motion. The motion passed (6-0).

D. Discuss and approve Act on Agreement for Purchase of Attendance Credits (Netting Chapter 42 Funding)

Mr. Grant Anderson approached the Board about the Act on Agreement for Purchase of Attendance Credits. The Provision of Chapter 41 of the Texas Education Code limits the wealth per student in average daily attendance to \$514,000 on the compressed tax rate and \$319,500 on the local enrichment tax above 6 cents. Wealth above these limits results in classification as a “property-rich district” and the need for a district to reduce its wealth per student.

Board Vice President David Montemayor made the first motion to approve the Act on Agreement for Purchase of Attendance Credits (Netting Chapter 42 Funding) as submitted. Board Secretary Jason Olson seconded the motion. The motion passed (6-0).

E. Discuss and approve the Set Date, Time and Place for Public Meeting on Budget and Proposed Tax Rate

Mr. Grant Anderson briefed the Board about the Set Date, Time and Place for Public Meeting on Budget and Proposed Tax Rate. The School Districts have a special notice for the public meeting on their proposed tax rate. The notice entitled “Notice of Public Meeting to Discuss Budget and Proposed Tax Rate” is required to be published in the newspaper 10-30 days before the public meeting date. The “Notice of Public Meeting to Discuss Budget and Proposed Tax Rate: requires publication of the board of trustees’ proposed tax rate and the date, time and place of public meeting.

Trustee LeAnna Harding made the first motion to approve the Set Date, Time and Place for Public Meeting on Budget and Proposed Tax Rate as August 21, 2017 at 6:00 pm at the Zellars Center for Learning and Leadership. Board Secretary Jason

Olson seconded the motion. The motion passed (6-0).

F. Discuss and approve the Financial Reports

Mr. Grant Anderson shared with the Board the Financial Reports. The report included the following:

- Financials and Current Activity
- Fund Balance Analysis
- 2016-17 General Fund Budget Recap
- General Fund Budget to Actual Summary
- General Fund – Cash Flow May 2017
- Capital Projects
- Financials in Board Packet

Board Secretary Jason Olson made the first motion to approve the Financial Reports as submitted. Board Vice President David Montemayor seconded the motion. The motion passed (6-0).

G. Discuss and approve the Superintendent's Consent for Reassignment to Superintendent Emeritus

Trustee LeAnna Harding made the first motion to approve the Superintendent's Consent for Reassignment to Superintendent Emeritus as discussed in closed meeting. Board Secretary Jason Olson seconded the motion. The motion passed (6-0).

H. Discuss and approve the Delegation of Authority to Negotiate Superintendent Contract to the Board President

Trustee LeAnna Harding made the first motion to approve the Delegation of Authority to Negotiate Superintendent Contract to the Board President as discussed in closed meeting. Trustee Alejandro Flores seconded the motion. The motion passed (6-0).

I. Discuss and approve the Lone Finalist for the Superintendent Position

Presenter: Little Elm ISD Board of Trustees

Trustee LeAnna Harding made the first motion to approve Mr. Daniel Gallagher as the Lone Finalist for the Superintendent Position as discussed during closed meeting. Board Secretary Jason Olson seconded the motion. The motion passed (6-0).

12. Board President Comments

Ms. Melissa Myers reminded about the upcoming Special Board Meetings. Ms. Myers would like to have a Board Retreat on October and get the Board Operating Procedures finalized.

13. Board Comments

Trustee DeLeon English thanked everyone present for a great year and looking forward for the next year. Mr. English thanked Dr. Tipton and congratulated Mr. Gallagher.

Board Vice President David Montemayor mentioned that he was very happy during the interview process, great leadership. Thanked Dr. Strike for what he's done and for hiring great people

Trustee LeAnna Harding congratulated Mr. Gallagher and thanked those who

participated. Gratitude for Dr. Strike.

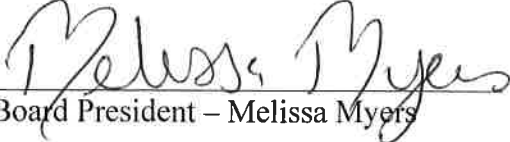
14. Superintendent Comments

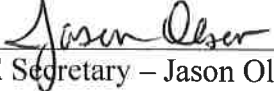
Dr. Lowell H. Strike applauded the Board for having the faith about having an internal search. The wisdom as well. Core values and mission at heart. Heart for kids and staff. Thanked the Board for their caring heart

15. Adjournment

Trustee LeAnna Harding made the first motion to adjourn the meeting. Trustee DeLeon English seconded the motion. The motion passed (6-0).
The meeting adjourned at 9:21 pm.

The minutes were approved on August 21, 2017


Board President – Melissa Myers


Board Secretary – Jason Olson