

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 15, 2014, beginning at 6:30 PM in the Prestwick STEM Academy.

PRESENT: Board President DeLeon English, Board Secretary Alejandro Flores, Trustee Christopher Williams, Trustee Cooper Begis, Trustee Stephanie Gregg, Trustee Melissa Myers and Interim Superintendent Matthew Gutierrez.

ABSENT: Board Vice President LeAnna Harding.

1. Call to Order Open Session at the Prestwick STEM Academy on 3101 Stonefield, The Colony, TX 75056. Board President DeLeon English called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm.
2. Introduction and Roll Call
Ms. Sonia F. Badillo took roll call.
3. Pledge of Allegiance
Board Members led those in attendance to the Pledges of the United States Flag and Texas Flag.
4. Citizen input
There was no Citizen Input.
5. Approval of Minutes
 - A. Discuss and approve Regular Meeting Minutes - 11/10/2014
 - B. Discuss and approve Special Meeting Minutes - 11/17/2014
 - C. Discuss and approve Special Meeting Minutes - 11/18/2014
 - D. Discuss and approve Special Meeting Minutes - 11/19/2014
 - E. Discuss and approve Special Meeting Minutes - 11/20/2014
 - F. Discuss and approve Special Meeting Minutes - 11/21/2014
 - G. Discuss and approve Special Meeting Minutes - 12/01/2014
 - H. Discuss and approve Special Meeting Minutes - 12/08/2014
Trustee Cooper Begis made the first option to approve the Board Minutes as submitted. Trustee Stephanie Gregg seconded the motion. The motion passed (6-0).
6. Superintendent Spotlight
 - A. Little Elm High School Spotlight
Ms. Renee Pentecost presented a video about Little Elm High School and the

different activities and events happening.

A student also mentioned that other districts sometimes talk about LEHS socioeconomic status (SIC). This student finds unique the opportunities for students regarding careers such as HOSA, DECA and Athletic Trainin.

B. Little Elm High School Students of the Month

The LEHS students of the month were not able to attend the meeting.

7. Superintendent Reports

A. Performance Report

Ms. Cyndy Mika presented to the Board the 2013-2014 Texas Academic Report.

Little Elm ISD met standard for the 2014 Accountability Rating.

Please find attached the 2013-2014 Texas Academic Report.

B. Fall Semester Update

Mr. Matthew Gutierrez shared with the Board a list of accomplishments as a result of all the changes within the District. The areas of accomplishments are:

- Technology
- Communications
- Culture
- Instruction/CCR
- Budget
- Professional Development/Community Training
- Human Resources
- Community Relations/Involvement
- Start of School
- Visibility Outside of District
- Policy & Government
- Academic Achievement

There are also Areas of Opportunity:

- Academic Achievement
- Staffing & Teacher Support
- CTE/CCR
- District Culture and Human Capital

8. The Board recessed into Closed Meeting in the Conference Room at 7:26 pm as permitted by the Texas Open Meetings Act Code Subchapter 551.074, 551.072 and 551.071. The Board and Superintendent discussed:

A. Lakeview Elementary Principal - 551.074

B. Interim Superintendent's Contract - 551.074

C. Land Swap - 551.072

D. Attorney Consultation - 551.071

The meeting reconvened at 8:26 pm.

9. Consent Agenda

A. Approve Financial Reports

B. Approve Gifts and Donations

C. Approve Vendors

Trustee Stephanie Gregg made the first motion to approve the Consent Agenda as submitted. Trustee Melissa Myers seconded the motion. The motion passed (6-0).

10. Business Items

A. Discuss and consider action on Recommendation for Lakeview Elementary Principal

This Item was tabled.

B. Discuss and consider action on Personnel Memorandum

Ms. Cleota Epps presented to the Board the Personnel Memorandum. Trustee Cooper Begis made the first motion to approve the Personnel Memorandum as submitted. Trustee Stephanie Gregg seconded the motion. The motion passed (6-0)

C. Discuss and consider action on SHAC Wellness Policy

This Item was tabled.

D. Discuss and consider action on CH (LOCAL)

Ms. Cyndy Mika briefed the Board about CH (LOCAL). It currently limits expenditures prior to board approval to \$25,000. The CH (LEGAL) limit is \$50,000. CH (LEGAL) was revised in 2013. CH (LOCAL) has not been revised since 2011. The District would like to bring CH (LOCAL) in line with CH (legal).

Trustee Melissa Myers made the first motion to discuss this item. Trustee Cooper Begis seconded the motion. The motion did not pass (3-3). Trustees Gregg, Begis and Myers voted against the motion.

E. Discuss and consider action on FOC (LOCAL)

Ms. Cyndy Mika presented to the Board FOC (LOCAL). LEISD currently do not have a FOC (LOCAL) Policy. This Policy refers to student discipline placement in a disciplinary alternative education setting.

Board Secretary Alejandro Flores made the first motion to approve FOC (LOCAL) as submitted. Trustee Christopher Williams seconded the motion. The motion passed (5-1). Trustee Gregg voted against the motion.

F. Discuss and consider action on Class Size Waivers

Ms. Cyndy Mika shared with the Board the Class Size Waivers for Chavez, Lakeview and Oak Point Elementaries.

Board Secretary Alejandro Flores made the first motion to approve the Class Size Waivers as submitted. Trustee Christopher Williams seconded the motion. The motion passed (6-0).

G. Discuss and consider action on Vendors with Recurring Expenditures over \$25,000 2014-2015.

Ms. Suzette Henderson presented to the Board a list of vendors with recurring expenditures over \$25,000 for the 2014-2015 School Year.

Trustee Cooper Begis had some question and expressed some concerns. After further discussion the list was amended. The amended list includes the following vendors:

- Canon / Ricoh
- Coserv
- DCAD
- DCSEC
- Denton Regional Day School (Denton ISD)
- ESC Region 11
- Focus
- GoldStar Transit
- Houghton Mifflin
- Little Elm Water
- Northwest Propane Gas
- Oak Farm
- Sysco Food Services
- Sun Trust
- Southside Bank
- Worth Avenue Group Inc.

Trustee Cooper Begis made the first motion to approve the amended vendors list with recurring expenditures over \$25,000 for the 2014-2015 school year. Trustee Stephanie Gregg seconded the motion. The motion passed (6-0).

H. Discuss and consider action on Audit Report

Mr. Jerry Eastup shared with the Board the Audit Report. Mr. Eastup shared with the Board that the report was clean and no findings.

Trustee Christopher Williams made the first motion to approve the Audit Report as submitted. Board Secretary Alejandro Flores seconded the motion. The motion passed (6-0).

I. Discuss and consider action on Land Swap

Trustee Cooper Begis made the first motion to approve the Land Swap as submitted in Closed Meeting. Trustee Christopher Williams seconded the motion. The motion passed (6-0).

11. Requested Agenda Items

A. Board Operating Procedures Discussion

Trustee Stephanie Gregg has been working on this document and will be sending it out to Board Members soon.

12. Future Agenda Items

Trustee Cooper Begis mentioned that the Board has not met to discuss new Superintendent's priorities. Mr. Begis feels there should be an agenda item to discuss this. He also feels it's Board's responsibility to give the new Superintendent direction.

13. Board Comments

Board President DeLeon English provided Board Training Record. All Board Members met the required hours by TASB.

Board President DeLeon English also provided a TASB Handout about Effective Board Practice.

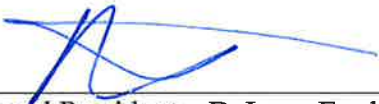
Board Members thanked Mr. Matthew Gutierrez for the job well done as Interim

Superintendent.

14. Adjournment

Trustee Cooper Begis made the first motion to adjourn the meeting. Trustee Christopher Williams seconded the motion. The motion passed (6-0).
The meeting adjourned at 9:23 pm.

The minutes were approved on January 21, 2015



Board President – DeLeon English



Board Secretary – Alejandro Flores