

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, March 17, 2014, beginning at 6:30 PM in the Little Elm High School Lecture Hall.

PRESENT: Board President Stephanie Gregg, Board Secretary Sally Coleman, Trustee Curtis Savage, Trustee Elisa McAtee, Trustee LeAnna Harding and Superintendent Lynne Leuthard.

ABSENT: Board Vice President Cooper Begis and Trustee Christopher Williams.

1. Call to Order Open Session in the Lecture Hall at the Little Elm High School on 1900 Walker Lane, Little Elm, TX 75068. Board President Stephanie Gregg called the 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. Citizen Input
There was no Citizen Input
4. Superintendent Spotlight
 - A. Oak Point Elementary
Mr. Tom Swartz briefed the Board with a presentation about the Dual Program. This presentation included the following:
 - What's happening at Oak Point Elementary?
 - Dual Program Language
 - Reading
 - Math Investigation
 - Writing
 - Culture
 - Language of the Day
 - Science
 - High Expectations
 - Innovative
 - What our parents are saying?
 - Club ACE (After School Center on Education)
 - B. Students of the Month – Little Elm High School
Ms. Rochelle Williams presented the Students of the Month for the months of February and March 2014. The students recognized are:
 1. David Ijioma
 2. Lisa Cifuentes

3. Jacob Doering
4. Alex Barkheimer

C. Student Advisory Update

This item was postponed to the next Regular Board Meeting.

D. CoServ

This item was postponed to the next Regular Board Meeting.

5. Superintendent's Report

A. Curriculum and Instruction Update

1. 8th Grade Explore

Dr. Jennifer Porter informed the Board about 8th Grade Explore. This information included the following:

- Why take Explore?
- Student Score Report
- Your Scores
- Your High School Course Plans Compared to Core
- Your Plans for After High School
- College Readiness
- Your Career Possibilities

Update on Transcripts

- Final Stages
- Final Audit
- Transcripts should be ready on 3/24/2014

B. Communications Update

Ms. Julie Zwahr updated the Board about the following:

- LEISD Electronic Newsletter
- LEISD has 1872 followers on twitter
- LEISD has 2649 likes on facebook
- Public Schools Work featured LEISD

C. Business and Operations Update

As requested by the Board, the following information was given to the Board

1. Construction Milestones for Prestwick

- Milestones were emailed to the Board

2. Financing Update

- Refinance debt up to \$10,000,000.00

6. The Board recessed into Closed Executive Session at 7:15 pm in the Conference Room as permitted by the Texas Open Meetings Act Code Subchapter 551.071, 551.074 and 551.072. The Board and Superintendent discussed:

A. Private consultation with the Board's attorney (551.071)

B. Discuss Administrative Personnel (551.074)

1. Coordinator of Advanced Academic and Social Studies
2. Coordinator of Data Processing and Information Systems

3. Head Football Coach / Athletic Coordinator

C. Discuss Possible Sale of Property (551.072)

The Board reconvened at 9:02 pm.

7. Action Items

A. Discuss and approve the Personnel Sheet

Mr. Matthew Gutierrez presented to the Board the monthly Personnel Sheet. Trustee LeAnna Harding made the first motion to approve the Personnel Sheet as submitted. Trustee Curtis seconded the motion. The motion passed (5-0).

B. Discuss and approve the Recommendation for Coordinator of Advanced Academics and Social Studies

This item was discussed in Executive Session.

Trustee LeAnna Harding made the first motion to approve the Recommendation for Coordinator of Advanced Academics and Social Studies as discussed in Executive Session. Trustee Curtis Savage seconded the motion. The motion passed (5-0).

Superintendent Lynne Leuthard named Amanda Campbell – Wyatt as the Coordinator of Advanced Academics and Social Studies.

C. Discuss and approve the Recommendation for Coordinator of Data Processing and Information Systems

This item was discussed in Executive Session.

Trustee Curtis Savage made the first motion to approve the Recommendation for Coordinator of Data Processing and Information Systems as discussed in Executive Session. Trustee LeAnna Harding seconded the motion. The motion passed (5-0)

Superintendent Lynne Leuthard named Brandon Thompson as the Coordinator of Data Processing and Information Systems.

D. Discuss and approve the Recommendation for Head Football Coach / Athletic Coordinator

This item was discussed in Executive Session.

Trustee Curtis Savage made the first motion to approve the Recommendation for Head Football Coach / Athletic Coordinator as discussed in Executive Session. Board Secretary Sally Coleman seconded the motion. The motion passed (5-0). Superintendent Lynne Leuthard named Kendrick Brown as the Head Football Coach / Athletic Coordinator.

E. Discuss and approve Administrative Contracts

Mr. Matthew Gutierrez presented to the Board the Administrative Contracts for the 2014-2015 School Year.

Trustee Curtis Savage made the first motion to approve the Administrative Contracts as submitted. Trustee LeAnna Harding seconded the motion. The motion passed (5-0).

F. Discuss and approve the Waiver for Missed Instructional Days

Dr. Jennifer Porter presented to the Board the Waiver for Missed Instructional Days. On Tuesday, February 11th and Monday, March 13th, inclement weather caused the district to be closed beyond the two bad weather days that are planned

annually.

Trustee Elisa McAtee made the first motion to approve the Waiver for Missed Instructional Days as submitted. Trustee LeAnna Harding seconded the motion. The motion passed (5-0).

G. Discuss and approve the LEISD Middle School Course Guide

Dr. Jennifer Porter presented to the Board information about the LEISD Middle School Course Guide. This is a revision to the LEISD Middle School Course Guide that was approved in February. Electives courses were added and corrections were made for grade level for one course.

Trustee Elisa McAtee made the first motion to approve the LEIS Middle School Course Guide as submitted. Trustee Curtis Savage seconded the motion. The motion passed (5-0).

H. Discuss and approve the LEHS School Course Guide

Dr. Jennifer Porter presented to the Board information about the LEHS School Course Guide. This is a revision to the LEHS Course Guide that was approved in January. It includes local graduation plan requirements for incoming 9th grade students and the addition of two courses required by statute.

Trustee LeAnna Harding made the first motion to approve the LEHS School Course Guide as submitted. Trustee Curtis Savage seconded the motion. The motion passed (5-0).

I. Discuss and approve the Instructional Materials and TEKS Certification

Dr. Jennifer Porter briefed the Board about the Instructional Materials and TEKS Certification. Local Boards of Trustees, along with superintendents, are required to certify the instructional materials selections are made in accordance with Texas Education Code.

Trustee Elisa McAtee made the first motion to approve the Instructional Materials and TEKS Certification as submitted. Trustee LeAnna Harding seconded the motion. The motion passed (5-0).

J. Discuss and approve the Texas Association of School Boards Superintendent of the Year

Board President Stephanie Gregg presented to the Board the Texas Association of School Boards Superintendent of the Year.

Board President Stephanie Gregg made the first motion to approve the Texas Association of School Boards Superintendent of the Year. Board Secretary Sally Coleman seconded the motion. Trustee LeAnna Harding opposed the motion. The motion passed (4-1).

K. Discuss and approve the Financial Reports

Ms. Linda Engle presented to the Board the monthly Financial Reports.

Trustee LeAnna Harding made the first motion to approve the Financial Reports as submitted. Board Secretary Sally Coleman seconded the motion. The motion passed (5-0).

L. Discuss and approve Gifts and Donations

Ms. Linda Engle presented to the Board the monthly Gifts and Donations.

Trustee Elisa McAtee made the first motion to approve the Gifts and Donations.

- Trustee Curtis Savage seconded the motion. The motion passed (5-0).
- M. Discuss and approve Vendors - February 2014
Ms. Linda Engle presented to the Board the monthly Vendors List.
Trustee Curtis Savage made the first motion to approve the Vendors – February 2014 as submitted. Trustee LeAnna Harding seconded the motion. The motion passed (5-0).
- N. Discuss and approve the Waiver of Penalty and Interest
Ms. Linda Engle presented to the Board the Property Tax Code, Section 33.01 Waiver of Payment of Interest. The property owner has paid taxes, penalty and interest within the required timeframe.
Trustee LeAnna Harding made the first motion to approve the Waiver of Penalty and Interest as submitted. Trustee Curtis Savage seconded the motion. The motion passed (5-0)
- O. Discuss and approve a Facility Request
Ms. Linda Engle shared with the Board information about Facility Request.
Delta Sigma Theta Sorority – Denton County Alumni request the use of Little Elm High School auditorium and stage on April 25th and 26th, 2014 for a scholarship pageant.
Trustee Curtis Savage made the first motion to approve the Facility Request as submitted. Trustee LeAnna Harding seconded the motion. The motion passed (5-0).
- P. Discuss and approve TLC Academy - Charter School
- Q. Discuss and approve Life School - Charter School
- R. Discuss and approve Universal Academy - Charter School
- S. Discuss and approve Uplift Education - North Hills Preparatory - Charter School
- T. Discuss and approve Harmony Science Acad (Waco) - Charter School
Superintendent Lynne Leuthard presented to the Board information about Charter Schools. These schools do not impact LEISD.
Trustee LeAnna Harding made the first motion to group the Charter Schools and vote for all of them under one motion. Board Secretary Sally Coleman seconded the motion. Trustee Curtis Savage abstained from the vote. The motion passed (4-1).
Trustee LeAnna Harding made the first motion to approve the list of Charter Schools as submitted. Board Secretary Sally Coleman seconded the motion. Trustee Curtis Savage abstained from the vote. The motion passed (4-1).
- U. Discuss and approve the Workshop Board Meeting Minutes - 2/10/2014
Ms. Sonia Badillo presented to the Board the Workshop Board Meetings – 2/20/2014.
Board Secretary Sally Coleman made the first motion to approve the Workshop Board Meetings – 2/20/14 as submitted. Trustee LeAnna Harding seconded the motion. The motion passed (5-0).
- V. Discuss and approve the Regular Board Meeting Minutes - 2/17/2014
Ms. Sonia Badillo presented to the Board the Regular Board Meeting Minutes –

2/17/2014.

Trustee Curtis Savage made the first motion to approve the Regular Board meeting Minutes – 2/17/2014 as submitted. Trustee LeAnna Harding seconded the motion. The motion passed (5-0).

8. Future Agenda Items

The Board requested the following Future Agenda Items:

- Revisit collaboration between Town of Little Elm and LEISD
- Number of students in DAEP
- Update on ROTC

9. Board Comments

The Board commented about getting the agenda a day earlier. It was very helpful.

10. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 9:43 pm.

The minutes were approved on April 21, 2014.


Board President – Stephanie Gregg


Board Secretary – Sally Coleman