

**MINUTES**

The Board of Trustees of the Sweeny Independent School District met in Regular Session at 6:00 p.m. on Tuesday, August 11, 2015, in the All-Purpose Meeting Room of the Administration Building located at 1310 Elm Street, Sweeny, TX. Dr. Garrison called the meeting to order. The Pledges of Allegiance to the American and Texas flags were recited and Dr. Garrison gave the invocation. All Board Members were present except Mark Gregurek.

The following Board members were present:

- Glenn Garrison, President
- Jan Reddoch, Secretary
- Donna Bohlar-Schroeder – Secretary
- Earl Mathis
- Peggy Ellis
- Connie McAda

The following Board Members were absent:

- Mark Gregurek

The following staff members were present:

- Randy Miksch, Superintendent
- Dr. Donna Thompson, Assistant Superintendent, Curriculum, Federal & Special Programs
- Vincent Strother, Executive Director of Business Services
- Robert Morrison, Principal, Sweeny High School
- Michael Saul, Principal, Sweeny Jr. High School
- Michael Heinroth, Principal, Sweeny Elementary School
- Martha Finley, Recording Secretary

Also present for this meeting:

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| Justin Kilbride - Drymalla | John Ideus         |
| Steve Daylor – PBK         | Wayne McBee        |
| Lewis Wilks – U.S. Capital | Doug Childress     |
| Marcus Dietz               | Jared McCurley     |
| Anthony Maenza             | Christian Frandsen |
| Sandi Vandaveer            |                    |
| Christy Howell             |                    |

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE PUBLIC – none

CONSENT AGENDA – MOTION was made by Mr. Mathis, seconded by Mrs. Bohlar-Schroeder, to approve the Consent Agenda Items A-J as presented. All voted aye. (6-0) Motion carried.

**The Board adjourned into Executive Session at 6:03 p.m.**

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| 551.087 | Discuss Commercial or Financial Information Received from Companies with who the District may be Commencing Economic Development Negotiations |
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**The reconvened into Regular Session at 6:12 p.m.**

No Action was taken.

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CONSIDERATION OF AN AMENDED APPLICATION FOR A LIMITATION ON APPRAISED VALUE OF PROPERTY FOR SCHOOL DISTRICT MAINTENANCE AND OPERATIONS TAXES FROM CHEVRON PHILLIPS COMPANY LP (COMPTROLLER APPLICATION NUMBER 281)

– At the time of the agreement, Chevron anticipated starting the qualifying time period in 2017-2018. Chevron is now requesting to amend the Agreement to start the qualifying year period one year earlier (2016-2017). The company has requested the amendment for cash flow purposes.

MOTION was made by Mrs. McAda, seconded by Mrs. Ellis, I move that the Board approve the Amended Application for a Limitation on Appraised Value of Property for School District Maintenance and Operations Taxes from Chevron Phillips Chemical Company LP (Comptroller Application Number 281) and authorize the Superintendent to review for completeness and submit to the Texas State Comptroller. Vote FOR: Bohlar-Schroeder, Garrison, McAda, and Ellis; ABSTAINED: Reddoch and Mathis. (4-0-2) Motion carried.

CONSIDERATION OF AN AMENDED APPLICATION FOR A LIMITATION ON APPRAISED VALUE OF PROPERTY FOR SCHOOL DISTRICT MAINTENANCE AND OPERATIONS TAXES FROM CHEVRON PHILLIPS COMPANY LP (COMPTROLLER APPLICATION NUMBER 283)

- At the time of the agreement, Chevron anticipated starting the qualifying time period in 2017-2018. Chevron is now requesting to amend the Agreement to start the qualifying year period one year earlier (2016-2017). The company has requested the amendment for cash flow purposes

MOTION was made by Mrs. McAda, seconded by Mrs. Bohlar-Schroeder, I move that the Board approve the Amended Application for a Limitation on Appraised Value of Property for School District Maintenance and Operations Taxes from Chevron Phillips Chemical Company LP (Comptroller Application Number 283) and authorize the Superintendent to review for completeness and submit to the Texas State Comptroller. Vote FOR: Bohlar-Schroeder, Garrison, McAda, and Ellis; ABSTAINED: Reddoch and Mathis. (4-0-2) Motion carried.

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO: ACCEPT THE APPLICATION OF P66 FOR AN APPRAISED VALUE LIMITATION on Qualified Property; Authorize the Superintendent to Review the Application for Completeness and Submit to the Comptroller; and Authorize the Superintendent to Enter into any Agreement to Extend the Deadline for Board Action Beyond 150 Days, Subject to Board Ratification.

MOTION was made by Mrs. McAda, seconded by Mrs. Ellis, to accept the application of P66 for an Appraised Value Limitation on Qualified Property; authorize the Superintendent to review the application for completeness and submit to the Comptroller; and authorize the Superintendent to enter into any agreement to extend the deadline for Board action beyond 150 days, subject to Board ratification. Vote FOR: Bohlar-Schroeder, Garrison, McAda, and Ellis; ABSTAINED: Mathis and Reddoch (4-0-2) Motion carried.

CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF A CONSULTING AGREEMENT WITH MOAK, CASEY, & ASSOCIATES FOR CHAPTER 313 VALUE IMITATION AGREEMENTS –

MOTION made by Mr. Mathis, seconded by Mrs. Bohlar-Schroeder, I move to approve the Consulting Agreement with Moak, Casey & Associates for Chapter 313 Value Limitation Agreements. All voted aye. (6-0) Motion carried.

CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF A RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING A GREEN COMMUNITY PROGRAM WITHIN THE MEANING OF SECTION 54d(f)(1)(A)(ii) OF THE INTERNAL REVENUE CODE OF 1986, AS AMENDED, AND AUTHORIZING CERTAIN OTHER ACTIONS IN CONNECTION THEREWITH -

MOTION was made by Mr. Mathis, seconded by Mrs. Ellis, to approve the Resolution Establishing a Green Community Program within the Meaning of Section 54d(f)(1)(A)(ii) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as Amended, and Authorizing Certain Other Actions in Connection Therewith. All voted aye. (6-0) Motion carried.

CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF SWEENEY ISD MAINTENANCE TAX NOTES (TAX CREDIT QUALIFIED ENERGY CONSERVATION BONDS), TAXABLE SERIES 2015; PROVIDING FOR THE PAYMENT OF SUCH MAINTENANCE NOTES: SPECIFYING THE TERMS AND FEATURES OF SAID MAINTENANCE OTES;

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AND RESOLVING OTHER MATTERS INCIDENT AND RELATED TO THE ISSUANCE, SALE, PAYMENT, AND DELIVERY OF SAID MAINTENANCE NOTES – Mr. Wilks with US Capital Advisors presented the information and the bond pricing.

MOTION was made by Mrs. McAda, seconded by Mrs. Reddoch, to approve the Resolution Authorizing the Issuance of Sweeny Independent School District Maintenance Tax Notes (Tax Credit Qualified Energy Conservation Bonds), Taxable Series 2015; Providing for the Payment of Such Maintenance Notes; Specifying the Terms and Features of Said Maintenance Notes; and Resolving Other Matters Incident and Related to the Issuance, Sale, Payment, and Delivery of Said Maintenance Notes to Bank of Texas. All voted aye. (6-0) Motion carried.

CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL TASB/E3 ENTERGRAL SOLUTION DESIGN BUILD CONTRACT AND PROPOSED PRICING FOR HIGH SCHOOL CAFETERIA CHILLER AND ADMINISTRATION BUILDING A/C –

MOTION was made by Mrs. Ellis, seconded by Mrs. Reddoch, to approve the TASB/E3 Entegral Solutions Design Build Contract and proposed pricing for the High School cafeteria chiller and Administration Building a/c in the amount of \$468,020. All voted aye (6-0) Motion carried.

PBK/DRYMALLA CONSTRUCTION UPDATE – Mr. Kilbride with Drymalla presented the information.

CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF DISTRICT POLICE VEST AND VEHICLE DASH CAMERA – Mr. Dave Childress with Watch Guard presented his bid information. Discussion followed.

MOTION was made by Mr. Mathis, seconded by Mrs. Bohlar-Schroeder, to approve the purchase of District police vest cameras as outlined in the Watch Guard camera quote. All voted aye. (6-0) Motion carried.

PERSONNEL-EMPLOYMENTS/RESIGNATIONS/RETIREMENTS – MOTION was made by Mrs. Bohlar-Schroeder, seconded by Mrs. Ellis, to accept the resignation of Valeria Leija and accept the employment of Heather Fine as presented and recommended. All voted aye. (6-0) Motion carried.

SISD STUDENT-PARENT HANDBOOK 2015-2016 – Mrs. McAda has questions regarding portions of the handbook. Discussion followed.

MOTION was made by Mrs. Reddoch, seconded by Mrs. Ellis, to approve the Sweeny ISD Student-Parent Handbook 2015-2016 as presented and recommended with questions outstanding. All voted aye. (6-0) Motion carried.

This item will be brought back at the next meeting to answer these questions.

SISD EMPLOYEE HANDBOOK 2015-2016 – MOTION was made by Mr. Mathis, seconded by Mrs. Ellis, to approve the Sweeny ISD Employee Handbook 2015-2016 as presented and recommended. All voted aye. (6-0) Motion carried.

PDAS CALENDAR/APPRAISERS FOR 2015-2016 – MOTION was made by Mrs. McAda, seconded by Mrs. Bohlar-Schroeder, to approve the Sweeny ISD 2015-2016 Professional Development and Appraisal System (PDAS) Calendar along with the roster of certified Sweeny ISD PDAS appraisers as presented. All voted aye. (6-0) Motion carried.

CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF NEW HIGH SCHOOL BAND STORAGE LOCKERS – Mr. McBee presented the information regarding the three quotes.

MOTION was made by Mrs. Ellis, seconded by Mrs. Reddoch, to approve the purchase of new High School band storage lockers from Melhart Music Center. All voted aye. (6-0) Motion carried.

2015-2016 DISTRICT AND CAMPUS IMPROVEMENT PLAN GOALS/OBJECTIVES – Dr. Thompson presented the information. Discussion followed.

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MOTION was made by Mr. Mathis, seconded by Mrs. McAda, I move to approve the 2015-2016 Sweeny ISD District Improvement Plan and the three respective campus Improvement Plans for Sweeny Elementary School, Sweeny Junior High, and Sweeny High School including their goals and objectives as presented and recommended. All vote aye. (6-0) Motion carried.

SECTION 504, SPECIAL EDUCATION REPORT – Christy Howell and Sandy Vandaveer gave a brief overview of the Section 504 and Special Education programs and was available to answer questions.

**The meeting was recessed at 9:15 p.m.**

**The Board reconvened at 9:21 p.m.**

CONSIDER AGREEMENT FOR THE PURCHASE OF ATTENDANCE CREDITS FROM THE STATE –

MOTION was made by Mrs. Reddoch, seconded by Mrs. Bohlar-Schroeder, I move that the Board approve the attached *Agreement for the Purchase of Attendance Credits* with the Commissioner of Education, and authorize the Board President and Secretary and the Superintendent to execute the Agreement on behalf of the District. I also move that the Board authorize the Superintendent to submit a letter of intent to the Commissioner of Education regarding actions underway by the District to affect Option 4. All voted aye. (6-0) Motion carried.

JOHNSON CONTROLS CONTRACT RENEWAL – MOTION was made by Mrs. McAda, seconded by Mr. Mathis, I move that the Board approve the preventative maintenance services contract with Johnson Controls in the amount of \$48,999.44 as presented and recommended. All voted aye. (6-0) Motion carried.

CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF THE PURCHASE OF NEW IPAD AIR2S AND CASES FOR NEW AND EXISTING PERSONNEL - Mr. Strother said this is a part of the 2014 Bond package.

MOTION was made by Mrs. Ellis, seconded by Mrs. Bohlar-Schroeder, to approve the purchase of 22 new iPad Air2s and cases for new and existing personnel for \$13,545.00 as presented and recommended. All voted aye. (6-0) Motion carried.

2015-2016 BUDGET UPDATE – Mr. Strother gave a slide presentation of the preliminary budget review.

CONSIDER PROPOSING A 2015 TAX RATE AND SCHEDULING A PUBLIC MEETING TO DISCUSS THE 2015-2016 BUDGET AND THE 2015 PROPOSED TAX RATE

MOTION was made by Mrs. McAda, seconded by Mrs. Ellis, to propose a 2015 tax rate of \$1.2117 per \$100, with \$1.0400 per \$100 designated for the purpose of maintenance and operations, and \$0.1717 per \$100 designated for the payment of principal and interest on bonded indebtedness, and that the Board schedule and publish notice for a public meeting to discuss and considering approving the 2015-2016 budget and the 2015 proposed tax rate for August 25, 2015, at 6:00 p.m., at the Sweeny Independent School District Board Room, 1310 Elm Street, Sweeny, Texas.

The amounts above are based on the effective tax rate calculations performed by the Brazoria County Tax Office. All voted aye. (6-0) Motion carried.

CONSIDER ENDORSEMENT OF A CANDIDATE FOR THE TASB BOARD OF DIRECTORS – MOTION was made by Mr. Mathis, seconded by Mrs. Bohlar-Schroeder, I move that the Board endorse Mr. Benny May to serve on the TASB Board of Directors for Region 4, Position C. All voted aye. (6-0) Motion carried.

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LETTER FROM BOARD TO CITY OF SWEENY FOR WATER ACQUISITION – Dr. Garrison composed a letter, based on information from a meeting that the City of Sweeny had, and gave it to the Board to review. Discussion followed. This will be brought back on August 25, 2015.

DISCUSSION AND APPROVAL OF FUNDING FOR UNDER PERFORMING STUDENT GROUPS – no action

REPORTS – no questions.

MISCELLANEOUS – none

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Report on new stipends - Garrison  
Revisit substitute pay – Bohlar-Schroeder

The meeting was adjourned at 10:06 p.m.

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Glenn Garrison

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Donna Bohlar-Schroeder