

MINUTES

The Board of Trustees of the Sweeny Independent School District met in Regular Session at 6:00 p.m. on Tuesday, August 14, 2018 in the All-Purpose Meeting Room of the Administration Building located at 1310 Elm Street, Sweeny, TX. Mr. Mathis called the meeting to order. The Invocation was led by Pastor Roland Hendricks and the Pledges of Allegiance to the American and Texas flags were led by Mr. Mathis. All Board Members were present except Mrs. Bohlar-Schroeder.

The following Board members were present:

Earl Mathis, President
Connie McAda, Vice President
Peggy Ellis
Jan Reddoch
Debra Fields-Bell
Bryan Douget

The following Board Members were absent:

Donna Bohlar-Schroeder, Secretary

The following staff members were present:

Dr. Tory C. Hill, Superintendent
Amy Pope, Executive Director of Curriculum, Compliance & Special Programs
Les Kluttz, Executive Director of Support Services
Amye Kibodeaux, Secretary to Superintendent and Board
Amy Carter, Chief Financial Officer
Kelly Bertsch, Director of Technology
Mark Manley, CTE Director
Matthew Way
Michael Heinroth, Principal Elementary School
Sandi Vandaveer, Director of SPED/LSSP
Will Mader, Assistant Principal Elementary School
Leah Liserio
Angela Ritter
David Smothers, Principal Jr. High
John Ideus, Chief – SISD Police
Michael Saul – Director
Renee Mitchell, Counselor
Amber Stowers
Sandra Ware
Garland Johnson
Amyee Byrd
Brittany Schuerg
Daniel Johnson, Assistant Principal Elementary School
Lori Doak
Judy Barnett

Also present for this meeting:

Art Chandler, County News
Mike Kremmer
Charolet Kremmer
Roland Hendricks, GMZ
Loretha Edison, GMZ
Randee Williams, SSC

REGULAR BOARD MEETING – TUESDAY, AUGUST 14, 2018

Lois Hopkins, GMZ
Lillie Bess

Meeting called to order at 6:00 PM

EXECUTIVE SESSION - Board adjourned into Executive Session at 6:01 PM

Texas Government Code Section 551.001 Closed meeting will be held for the purpose authorized by the Texas Open Meetings Act.

- Consultation with legal counsel regarding Lisa Smith v. Sweeny Independent School Dist. in the Federal District Court for the Southern District of Texas, Galveston Division, Civil Action No. G:17-cv-00123, pursuant to Texas Government Code 551.074
- Consultation with the District’s Legal Counsel Regarding Issues Pertaining to the Conveyance of Real Property Pursuant to *Texas Government Code 551.071
- Discuss Hiring of Professional Contractual Personnel Texas Gov’t Code 551.074
- Discuss and Consider Approval of Local Certification Request Under District of Innovation (DOI) for Jr. High and High School Staff *Texas Gov’t Code 551.074
- Discuss and Consider Action Regarding Contract Employee who Resigned Less Than 45 Days Before the First Day of Instruction *Texas Gov’t Code 551.074
- Discuss Reorganization of the Board *Texas Gov’t Code 551.074

OPEN MEETING was called to order at 7:10 p.m. The presiding officer will verify that the meeting has been duly called and notice of the meeting has been posted for the time and manner required by law.

DISCUSS AND CONSIDER REORGANIZATION OF THE BOARD

MOTION was made by Mrs. Ellis, seconded by Mr. Douget to leave Board officers as is. President: Mr. Earl Mathis; Vice President: Mrs. Connie McAda; Secretary: Mrs. Donna Bohlar-Schroeder. All voted aye (6, 0) Motion carried.

DISCUSS AND CONSIDER POSSIBLE ADOPTION OF A RESOLUTION BY THE DISTRICT REGARDING THE PROPOSED BID RECEIVED BY THE DISTRICT IN REPOSE TO THE SOLICITATION OF BID FOR THE SALE OF THE DISTRICT’S INTEREST IN THE FOLLOWING DESCRIBED PROPERTY. BEING ALL OF LOTS 1, 3 AND 5, BLOCK 2, FRANK R EARLY SUBDIVISION, SWEENEY, TEXAS, BEING LOCATED AT THE SOUTHWEST INTERSECTION OF ST. HWY FM 1459 AND ROSS STREET IN SWEENEY, TEXAS

MOTION was made by Mrs. Ellis, seconded by Dr. Reddoch to accept the bid(s) received from American Crafted Homes in the amount of \$55,000 regarding the sale of the District’s interest in the surface only and any improvements thereto described as being all of Lots 1, 3 and 5, Block 2 Frank R. Early Subdivision in Sweeny, Texas, being located at the southwest intersection of St. Hwy 1459 and Ross Street in Sweeny Texas and authorizing President of the Board of Trustees to execute the contract, the deed, and other documents necessary to affect the conveyance of the property as set forth in the Resolution. All voted aye (6, 0) Motion carried.

DISCUSS AND CONSIDER BOARD APPROVAL OF HIRING PROFESSIONAL CONTRACTUAL PERSONNEL

MOTION was made by Mrs. Ellis, seconded by Dr. Reddoch to accept hiring of professional contractual personnel as presented and recommended. (Christian Gerbich, Darian Harris, Charolet Kremmer, Rebecca Walters, Ugelia Whiteside) All voted aye (6, 0) Motion carried.

DISCUSS AND CONSIDER APPROVAL OF LOCAL CERTIFICATION REQUEST UNDER DISTRICT OF INNOVATION (DOI) FOR JR. HIGH AND HIGH SCHOOL STAFF

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MOTION was made by Mrs. Fields-Bell, seconded by Mrs. McAda to accept hiring of professional contractual Personnel as presented and recommended (Windy Byrd, John Ideus, Scott Jones, Maria Meador, Joshua Rush, Nichole Scoggins, Kasie Wilson) All voted aye (6, 0) Motion carried.

DISCUSS AND CONSIDER DISTRICT ACTION REGARDING CONTRACT EMPLOYEE WHO RESIGNED LESS THAN 45 DAYS BEFORE THE FIRST DAY OF INSTRUCTION

MOTION was made by Mrs. Ellis, seconded by Mr. Douget to grant authority for Superintendent to accept resignation without sanctions. All voted aye (6, 0) Motion carried.

INVOCATION

Roland Hendricks, GMZ Church

PLEDGES OF ALLEGIANCE

Mr. Mathis

RECOGNITION(S)

- Congratulations to Charolet Kremmer, Executive Director for Teaching and Learning
- Renee Mitchell – Attending Marine Corps Educator Workshop
- Jeremy Way – Safety Plan
- Greater Mt. Zion Dream Camp
- SSC Staff

COMMUNICATION FROM THE PUBLIC

- None

PRESENTATION(S)

- None

CONSENT

- Approval of minutes from July 10 and August 7, 2018 Board Meetings
- Approval of Bond Issue Accounts Payable Fund 616
- Approval of Capital Projects Accounts Payable Fund 682
- Approval of Bond Issue Accounts Payable Fund 698
- Approval of Budget Amendments
- Approval of Purchases Over \$50,000
- Approval of Tax Resale Properties
- Approval of Quarterly Investment Report

DISCUSS AND CONSIDER SISD SAFETY PLAN (CHIEF IDEUS)

MOTION was made by Mrs. Fields-Bell, seconded by Mrs. Ellis to accept the findings and recommendations to the plan to promote safety and security awareness in the District. All voted aye (6, 0) Motion carried.

DISCUSS AND CONSIDER BOARD RESOLUTION TO ADOPT NIMS AND ICS FRAMEWORK (CHIEF IDEUS)

MOTION was made by Mrs. McAda, seconded by Mr. Douget to accept the administration recommendation to adopt NIMS and ICS for Safety and Emergency Management in Sweeny ISD. All voted aye (6, 0) Motion carried.

DISCUSS AND CONSIDER LONG RANGE FACILITIES PLAN (DR. HILL)

MOTION was made by Mrs. McAda, seconded by Mrs. Ellis to approve the Long Range Facilities Plan as presented by the Superintendent. All voted aye (6, 0) Motion carried.

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DISCUSS AND CONSIDER AGREEMENT FOR THE PURCHASE OF ATTENDANCE CREDITS FROM THE STATE (MRS. CARTER)

MOTION was made by Mrs. Ellis, seconded by Mrs. Fields-Bell to approve the 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. All voted aye (6, 0) Motion carried.

DISCUSS AND CONSIDER APPROVAL OF A RESOLUTION CALLING FOR THE DEFEASANCE OF CERTAIN SWEENEY INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT UNLIMITED TAX SCHOOL BUILDING BONDS, SERIES 2014; DIRECTING THE REDEMPTION OF SUCH BONDS; AND CONTAINING OTHER MATTERS RELATED THERETO (MRS. CARTER)

MOTION was made by Mrs. McAda, seconded by Mr. Douget to approve the Resolution calling for the defeasance and redemption of certain Sweeney Independent School District unlimited tax building bonds, Series 2014; direction the redemption of such bonds; and containing other matters related thereto. All voted aye (6, 0) Motion carried.

DISCUSS AND CONSIDER ACCEPTING DONATION FROM SWEENEY ISD EDUCATION FOUNDATION FOR HIGH SCHOOL LIFE HOUR PROGRAM (MRS. CARTER)

MOTION was made by Mr. Douget, seconded by Dr. Reddoch to accept the donation from the Sweeney ISD Education Foundation for the High School LIFE Hour Program. All voted aye (6, 0) Motion carried.

DISCUSS AND CONSIDER PROPOSING A 2018 TAX RATE AND SCHEDULING A PUBLIC MEETING ON AUGUST 20, 2018 TO DISCUSS THE 2018-2019 BUDGET AND THE 2018 PROPOSED TAX RATE (MRS. CARTER)

MOTION was made by Mrs. McAda, seconded by Mrs. Ellis to propose a 2018 tax rate of \$1.2117 per \$100, with \$1.0600 per \$100 designated for the purpose of maintenance and operations, and \$0.1517 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 the 2018-2019 budget and the 2018 proposed tax rate for August 20, 2018 at 6:00 p.m., at the Sweeney Independent School District Board Room, 1310 N Elm Street, Sweeney, Texas. All vote aye (6, 0) Motion carried.

DISCUSS AND CONSIDER APPROVAL OF MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT BETWEEN SWEENEY INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT AND BRAZORIA COUNTY HEAD START LEARNING SCHOOLS, INC. (MRS. POPE)

MOTION was made by Dr. Reddoch, seconded by Mr. Douget to approve Memorandum of Understanding between SISD and the Brazoria County Head Start Early Learning School, Inc. as presented and recommended. All voted aye (6, 0) Motion carried.

DISCUSS AND CONSIDER PROPOSED BOARD RESOLUTION RELATING TO IN-KIND DONATION TO HEAD START (MRS. CARTER)

MOTION was made by Dr. Reddoch, seconded by Mrs. Fields-Bell to approve the resolution authorizing the in-kind donation of Brazoria County Head Start. All voted aye (6, 0) Motion carried.

DISCUSS AND CONSIDER BOARD COMMITTEES (DR. HILL)

MOTION was made by Mr. Mathis, seconded by Mrs. Fields-Bell that the Board members served on Board committees which have been organized to facilitate the efficient operations of the Board:
Policy Committee: Connie Mc Ada (Chair), Debra Fields-Bell, Donna Bohlar-Schroeder
Community Engagement Committee: Peggy Ellis (Chair) and Connie McAda
Fiscal and Operational Planning Committee: Earl Mathis (Chair), Connie McAda and Bryan Douget
All voted aye (6, 0) Motion carried

DISCUSS AND CONSIDER TEXAS PRINCIPAL EVALUATION AND SUPPORT SYSTEM (T-PESS) APPRAISAL CALENDAR FOR THE 2018-2019 SCHOOL YEAR (DR. HILL)

MOTION was made by Mrs. Fields-Bell, seconded by Mr. Douget to approve the 2018-2019 Texas Principal Evaluation and Support System (T-PESS) calendar as presented and recommended. All voted aye (6, 0) Motion carried.

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DISCUSS AND CONSIDER BOARD APPROVAL OF SWEENEY ISD TEXAS TEACHER EVALUATION AND SUPPORT SYSTEM (T-PESS) FOR THE 2018-2019 SCHOOL YEAR (MRS. POPE)

MOTION was made by Mr. Douget, seconded by Mrs. Ellis to accept the 2018-2019 Sweeny ISD Texas Teacher Evaluation and Support System Calendar. All voted aye (6, 0) Motion carried.

DISCUSS AND CONSIDER APPROVAL OF THE SWEENEY ISD STUDENT CODE OF CONDUCT FOR 2018-2019 (MR. SAUL)

MOTION was made by Mrs. McAda, seconded by Dr. Reddoch to accept the 2018-2019 Sweeny ISD Student Code of Conduct. All vote aye (6, 0) Motion carried.

REPORTS

No questions

MISCELLANEOUS

No future agenda items.

Board adjourned at 9:00 p.m.

Earl Mathis

Donna Bohlar-Schroeder