

MINUTES

The Board of Trustees of the Sweeny Independent School District met in Regular Session at 6:00 p.m. on Tuesday, September 8, 2020 virtually via Zoom. Mr. Mathis called the meeting to order. The Invocation was led by Dr. Hill and the Pledges of Allegiance to the American and Texas flags were led by Mr. Mathis.

The following Board members were present:

Earl Mathis, President
Connie McAda, Vice President
Donna Bohlar-Schroeder, Secretary
Jan Reddoch
Peggy Ellis
Debra Fields-Bell *(Only present during Executive Session)
Bryan Douget

The following Board Members were absent:

Debra Fields-Bell *(Not present during Open Meeting)

The following staff members were present:

Dr. Tory C. Hill, Superintendent
Amy Pope, Assistant Superintendent
Amye Kibodeaux, Secretary to Superintendent and Board
Kelly Stroud, Communications
Charolet Kremmer, Teaching & Learning
Amy Carter, CFO
James, Schumann, CFO
Michael Heinroth, Director of Admin/Innovative Services
Denise Papillion, Principal Elementary
Will Mader, Principal High School
Les Kluttz, Bond Program Manager
Tanya Edwards, Director of Child Nutrition
David Smothers, Principal Junior High
Kacie Fuchs, PEIMS Coordinator

Also present for this meeting:

Randy Miksch
Corinna Richardson, The Facts

Meeting called to order at 6:00 PM

EXECUTIVE SESSION - Board adjourned into Executive Session at 6:02 PM

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

- Attorney Consultation Texas Gov't Code 551.071

OPEN MEETING was called to order at 7:00 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.

INVOCATION

- Dr. Hill

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PLEDGES OF ALLEGIANCE

- Mr. Mathis

RECOGNITION(S)

- None

COMMUNICATION FROM THE PUBLIC

- Letter from George Washington Carver Alumni, Inc. Reference Property at 502 Ash, Sweeny, TX

PRESENTATION(S)

- Curriculum Update – Mrs. Kremmer
COVID-19 Board Update – Mrs. Pope

CONSENT

- Approval of Minutes from August 11, 2020 and August 25, 2020 Board Meetings
- Approval of Bond Issue Accounts Payable Fund 616
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- Approval of Bond Issue Accounts Payable Fund 619
- Approval of Capital Projects Accounts Payable Fund 682
- Approval of Bond Issue Accounts Payable Fund 698
- Approval of Bond Construction Invoices
- Approval of Budget Amendments
- Approval of Purchases over \$50K
- Approval of Revised Order for School Board Trustee Election

MOTION was made by Mr. Mathis, seconded by Dr. Reddoch to approve items A-J on the consent agenda as presented. All voted aye (6, 0) Motion carried.

DISCUSSION AND ACTION

DISCUSS AND CONSIDER MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING WITH THE BOYS AND GIRLS CLUB OF BRAZORIA COUNTY FOR AFTER-SCHOOL PROGRAM AT SWEENEY ELEMENTARY AND SWEENEY JUNIOR HIGH – MR. HEINROTH

MOTION was made by Mr. Mathis, seconded by Mr. Douget to approve the 2020-2021 Memorandum of Understanding between the Boys & Girls Club of Brazoria County and the Sweeny Independent School District, as presented and recommended. All voted aye (6, 0) Motion carried.

DISCUSS AND CONSIDER START-OF-SCHOOL TRANSITION WAIVER – MRS. POPE

MOTION was made by Mrs. McAda, seconded by Mrs. Ellis to approve the waiver to extend the start of the 2020-2021 school year beyond the four-week limit by one week as presented and recommended. All voted aye (6, 0) Motion carried.

DISCUSS AND CONSIDER RESOLUTION TO PAY EMPLOYEES DURING EMERGENCY SCHOOL CLOSURE FOR HURRICANE LAURA – MR. SCHUMANN

MOTION was made by Mr. Mathis, seconded by Mr. Douget to adopt the attached Storm Pay Resolution as presented. All voted aye (6, 0) Motion carried.

DISCUSS AND CONSIDER RENEWAL OF MEMBERSHIP IN WALSH GALLEGOS RETAINER PROGRAM – DR. HILL

MOTION was made by Mr. Douget, seconded by Mr. Mathis to grant Superintendent Authority to renew SISD membership in Walsh Gallegos Retainer Plan. All voted aye (6, 0) Motion carried.

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DISCUSS AND CONSIDER SUPERINTENDENT EVALUATION INSTRUMENT – DR. HILL

MOTION was made by Mr. Mathis, seconded by Mrs. Bohlar-Schroeder to approve the Superintendent evaluation instrument. All voted aye (6, 0) Motion carried.

DISCUSS AND CONSIDER A SPECIAL BOARD MEETING/BOARD WORK STUDY FOR TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 22, 2020 – DR. HILL

MOTION was made by Mr. Mathis, seconded by Mr. Douget approved a Special Board Meeting/Board Work Study for Tuesday, September 22, 2020 to allow this team to engage in a collaborative conversation with the Board about their work and the future of learning in the District. All voted aye (6, 0) Motion carried.

DISCUSS AND CONSIDER RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE FILING OF THE CORONAVIRUS RELIEF FUND APPLICATION, INCLUDING ALL UNDERSTANDINGS AND ASSURANCES CONTAINED THEREIN, AND DIRECTING AND AUTHORIZING THE SUPERINTENDENT AS THE OFFICIAL REPRESENTATIVE, OR CFO TO ACT IN CONNECTION WITH THE APPLICATION AND TO PROVIDE SUCH ADDITIONAL INFORMATION AS MAY BE REQUIRED – MR SCHUMANN

MOTION was made by Mrs. Ellis, seconded by Mr. Mathis to approve the Superintendent or CFO to file for the Coronavirus Relief Fund Application. All voted aye (6, 0) Motion carried.

REPORTS

- No questions

MISCELLANEOUS

- Dr. Hill
 - We plan to offer free meals in the month of December for virtual and in person students
 - We begin staggered re-entry next week
 - Time will be spent training on new safety protocols
 - Bus drivers will be calling students on their routes to discuss safety
 - Home game against West Columbia is sold out. Sold out in 2.5 hours. No tickets will be sold at the gate.
 - We will transition back to in person Board Meetings

Board adjourned at 7:56 p.m.

Earl Mathis

Donna Bohlar-Schroeder