

**OFFICIAL MINUTES  
BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
NORTHWEST INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT  
April 10, 2023  
REGULAR MEETING**

**CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order at 5:51 P.M. by President Anne Davis Simpson in the Northwest ISD Board Room, 2001 Texan Drive, Fort Worth, Texas 76177.

**CLOSED SESSION**

Pursuant to Texas Government Code Sections 551.071, 551.072, 551.074 and 551.089, the Board convened into Executive Session at 5:30 p.m. in the Northwest ISD Executive Board Room, 2001 Texan Drive, Fort Worth, Texas 76177. Executive session recessed at 6:25 P.M.

**OPEN SESSION**

The regular meeting resumed at 6:29 P.M. in the Northwest ISD Board Room, 2001 Texan Drive, Fort Worth, Texas 76177. Dr. Foust gave the invocation with the pledges led by students from Samuel Beck Elementary School.

**REGULAR MEETING MEMBERS PRESENT:** Ms. Copp, Dr. Simpson, Dr. Rauch, Mr. Schluter, Ms. Murphy, and Ms. Hatfield, Mr. Sprowls

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** None

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Dr Foust, Ms. Barker, Dr. Griffin, Mr. McClure, Ms. Hobbs, Mr. Tosie, Ms. Carter, Dr. Espinosa, Ms. Roberts, and Ms. Scott

**RECOGNITION**

- A. New Leadership Introductions: Christi Drilling, Executive Director of Financial Services.
- B. Undefeated Middle School Sports Teams: Adams 7<sup>th</sup> Grade Volleyball, Adams 7<sup>th</sup> Grade Football, Wilson 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Volleyball.
- C. San Antonio Stock Show 2023 Chairman's Award Winners: Trevor Tompkins and Elijah Espinoza (Northwest High School).
- D. ASBO Award for Excellence in Financial Reporting, TASBO Purchasing Award of Merit, TEA FIRST "A" Rating: Northwest ISD Financial Services Department.
- E. March Volunteer of the Month: Laurie Martinez.
- F. 2022-2023 First Semester GEM Award Winner: Robert Neal.

Ana Salazar and Stacie Breckley spoke on book review policies.

Jenny Murray spoke praising Hughes Elementary Principal Dr. Jessica McDonald.

Brandi Romero spoke about the Texas Essential Knowledge Skills (TEKS).

Tyson Vaughan and Anna Edwards commented on the Byron Nelson High School volleyball program.

**NO. 8385 APPROVE CONSENT AGENDA:** It was moved by Mr. Schluter and seconded by Dr. Rauch to approve the consent agenda as submitted.

Motion carried unanimously 7 - 0.

- A. Minutes for the March 2023 school board meeting.
- B. Amendments to the 2022-2023 operating budget.
- C. Joint election agreement and contract for election services between Wise County and Northwest ISD.
- D. Joint election agreement and contract for election services between Denton County and Northwest ISD.
- E. Joint election agreement and contract for election services between Tarrant County and Northwest ISD.
- F. Interlocal agreement with University of North Texas for Commencement.
- G. Districtwide intruder detection audit report.
- H. Water easement at Byron Nelson High School.
- I. Property easement encroachment for Pike Middle School replacement.
- J. Memorandum of Understanding with Texas Woman's University for LSSP Practicum.
- K. Memorandum of Understanding with Texas Woman's University for speech language pathology practicum.
- L. Memorandum of Understanding with ESC Region 11 for Reading by Design training.
- M. Consideration of waiver of penalty and interest.

**REPORT AND ACTION ITEMS:**

**NO. 8386 NAMING OF EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF STUDENT AFFAIRS:** It was moved by Ms. Murphy and seconded by Ms. Copp to name Dr. Cindy Bauter Executive Director of Student Affairs as recommended by the administration.

Motion carried unanimously 7 - 0.

**NO. 8387 CONSIDERATION OF TEACHER'S LATE RESIGNATION WITHOUT GOOD CAUSE AND PROPOSED COMPLAINT TO THE STATE BOARD FOR EDUCATOR CERTIFICATION FOR ABANDONMENT OF CONTRACT:** It was moved by Mr. Sprowls and seconded by Ms. Hatfield find that good cause did not

exist for Weston Ward to resign and abandon his contract for the 2022-2023 school year and that the Board authorize the Superintendent or his designee to file a complaint with the State Board for Educator Certification to seek sanctions for his abandonment of contract.

Motion carried unanimously 7 - 0.

**NO. 8388 CONSIDER A RESOLUTION TO NOMINATE AN INDIVIDUAL FOR TARRANT APPRAISAL DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS:** It was moved by Mr. Sprowls and seconded by Ms. Murphy to nominate Jacob Wurman for election to the Tarrant Appraisal District Board of Directors.

Motion carried unanimously 7 - 0.

**NO. 8389 RESOLUTION REGARDING VOUCHERS, EDUCATION SAVINGS ACCOUNTS, TAXPAYER SAVINGS GRANTS, AND OTHER MECHANISMS THAT REDUCE PUBLIC EDUCATION FUNDING:** It was moved by Ms. Hatfield and seconded by Ms. Copp to approve a resolution regarding vouchers, education savings accounts, taxpayer savings grants, and other mechanisms that reduce public education funding.

Motion carried unanimously 7 - 0.

Northwest Council of PTAs President Norma Meyers gave a report on the Council's end-of-year.

Dr. Foust reported on the work during his first 90 days as Superintendent of Schools.

Anthony Tosie presented the results of the family survey.

Bobby Aucoin shared information on the outsourced operations district effectiveness.

Dr. Simpson presented the Board President's report.  
The nominating committee for the 2023-2024 board officers is:  
Mark Schluter, Judy Copp, and DeAnne Hatfield.

Dr. Foust presented the Superintendent's report.

**NO. 8390 ADJOURN:** It was moved by Dr. Rauch and seconded by Ms. Murphy to adjourn at 8:26 P.M.

Motion carried unanimously 7 - 0.