

**Tolar Independent School District**  
**Board of Trustees**  
**Minutes of Public Hearing and Regular Meeting**  
**January 19, 2023**

The Board of Trustees met in a public hearing followed by a regular meeting on Thursday, January 19, 2023. The following members were present: Wendy Bonnell, Justin Deaver, Brooks Goodson, Matt Imel, Rhonda Knight, and Josh Swaim,

Absent from the meeting was: Dalton Nix

Meeting with the Board of Trustees were Travis Stilwell, Superintendent; Kristen Carey, Assistant Superintendent; Jason Lawson, High School Principal; Casey Hamilton, Junior High Principal; Christal Hollinger, Elementary Principal; Vicki Carr, Business Manager; Christine Murphy, Superintendent Secretary; Jeremy Mullins, Athletic Director.

Others attending meeting: Tolar ISD FFA, Diana Daniels, Rich Bold, Brett Sumrow of Corgan

**Public Hearing**

1. Invocation led by Justin Deaver
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Quorum was established and the meeting was called to order by Justin Deaver at 6:31 p.m.
4. Mr. Stilwell presented the 2021-2022 School “FIRST” Ratings
5. Questions and comments from public hearing.  
None
6. Adjourn to regular meeting at 6:33 p.m.

**Regular Board Meeting**

7. Comments from visitors:  
FFA presentated to the Board of Trustees for board appreciation month.
8. Mr. Stilwell and Wendy Bonnell recognized the Diamondback Rattler recipients, which included April Arlett, Jamie Jasnocha, and Linda Thacker.
9. Motion by Wendy Bonnell, second by Matt Imel to approve the long range facilities plan.  
*Motion carried*  
*Vote: Pass - 6* *Oppose - 0*

## 10. Individual/Committee Reports

Christal Hollinger gave the Elementary report:

Upcoming Events: MAP testing, TTAP testing, Mclass testing, Rattlers in Progress, Campus Family Night.

Additional Updates: Stonewater Church hosted Christmas movies and angel tree. TEF grant items arriving and in use.

Casey Hamilton gave the Junior High report:

Upcoming Events: Basketball, TTAP testing.

Additional Updates: UIL academic ceremony.

Jason Lawson gave the High School report:

Upcoming Events: Fort Worth Stock Show, TMAD presentation, Bulb presentations, Texas College Bridge Plan, prom, UIL academics.

Additional Updates: FFA competed well at county show, senior week activities planned, graduation planning ongoing.

Kristen Carey gave the Instruction/Technology & Safety report:

Purchased more chromebooks with additional Federal funds.

Received silent alert grant, which covers the CrisisGo app.

Security film has been placed on all of the doors and windows at the entries of all of the campuses.

Waiting on the approval of the ERATE application.

Jeremy Mullins gave the Athletic report:

Currently in the middle of basketball, all teams doing well.

JH boys basketball hosted a tournament at Tolar ISD.

Updating scoreboards throughout District.

Signing day is coming up.

Athletic banquet will be May 16<sup>th</sup>.

11. Motion by Wendy Bonnell, second by Matt Imel to approve Minutes from November 30, 2022 Regular Meeting and the monthly financial statements/reports.

*Motion carried*

*Vote: Pass - 6*

*Oppose - 0*

12. Mr. Stilwell presented the District Improvement Plan.

13. The campus principals presented their respective Campus Improvement Plans.

14. Motion by Josh Swaim, second by Rhonda Knight to approve the Early Childhood Literacy Plan and Mathematics Plan.

*Motion carried*

*Vote: Pass - 6*

*Oppose - 0*

15. Motion by Josh Swaim, second by Matt Imel to approve the College, Career, and Military Readiness Plan.

*Motion carried*

*Vote: Pass - 6*

*Oppose - 0*

16. Discussion regarding Intruder Detection Audit Report.

17. Discussion regarding golf membership with Squaw Valley for golf team.

18. Superintendent's report:

- a. Mr. Stilwell gave an update on the New Gym.
- b. Mr. Stilwell gave an update on the portable building at the Elementary.
- c. Mr. Stilwell gave an update on the purchase of a new bus.

**Executive/Closed Session**

19. Board entered into executive session at 8:25 p.m.

Board reconvened to regular session at 10:17 p.m.

**Open Session/Action**

20. Motion by Rhonda Knight, second by Brooks Goodson to approve extending the Superintendent's current contract by 1 year with a 3% increase and current health supplement.

*Motion carried*

*Vote: Pass - 6*

*Oppose - 0*

21. Topics for future discussion:

Future board meetings:

Monday, February 20

Monday, March 27

Monday, April 17

Monday, May 15

22. Motion by Josh Swaim, second by Matt Imel to adjourn the meeting.

*Motion carried*

*Vote: Pass - 6*

*Oppose - 0*

Meeting adjourned at 10:19 p.m.

  
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