

Pearland Independent School District
Workshop and Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees
June 13, 2023

The Board of Trustees of the Pearland Independent School District met in regular session on Tuesday, June 13, 2023 at 3:30 p.m. at 1928 North Main Street, Pearland, Texas in accordance with Chapter 551 of the Government Code.

The meeting was also livestreamed on the district YouTube channel.

Opening **1.0** After noting that a quorum was present, President Murphy opened the meeting at 3:38 p.m.

Establishment of a Quorum **2.0**
Trustee Sean Murphy, President
Trustee Crystal Carbone, Vice President
Trustee Kristofer Schoeffler, Secretary, arrived at 4:30 p.m.
Trustee Toni Carter
Trustee Amanda Kuhn
Trustee Lance Botkin, arrived 4:50 p.m.

Trustees Absent Trustee Nanette Weimer

Executive Council Present Superintendent, Larry Berger
Chief Financial Officer, Jorgannie Carter
Chief Academic Officer, Dr. Nyla Watson
Executive Director for Human Resource Services and Communications, Dr. Sundie Dahlkamp
Executive Director of Elementary Schools, Marlo Keller
Executive Director of High Schools, Kelly Holt
Chief Technology Officer, Jon- Paul Estes
General Counsel, Tanya Dawson

Recording Secretary Gina Guzzetta

Budget Workshop **3.0** Mrs. Carter presented legislative update, budget assumptions and compensation scenarios. Mr. Berger and Dr. Dahlkamp also spoke on compensation scenarios and answered questions from the Board.

New Business

Consent Agenda President Murphy asked if members of the Board would like to remove an item from the consent agenda

Trustee Schoeffler requested to pull items 13.A.4 and 13.A.5

The following items were then voted on:

Approval of Minutes **13. A.1** Approval of the minutes of the Regular Board Meeting on May 16, 2023

Purchases Over 100K **13. A.2** Approval of Budgeted Purchases that Aggregate \$100,000 or more

Appraisal Calendar **13. A.3** Approval of 2023-2024 school year Teacher Appraisal Calendar

- A motion was made by Trustee Schoeffler and seconded by Trustee Carbone, items 13.A.1, 13. A.2, and 13.A.3 of the consent agenda be approved as presented

Motion carried 5-0, Trustee Botkin and Weimer Absent

A brief discussion took place with Mr. Berger and Dr. Dahlkamp answering questions from the Board

Communities in Schools

13. A.4 Approval of Communities in Schools Partnership Agreement for School Year 2023-2024

Communities in Schools (Premier)

13. A.5 Approval of Communities in Schools Premier Academy Partnership Agreement for 2023-2024 School Year

- A motion was made by Trustee Schoeffler and seconded by Trustee Carbone, items 13.A.4, and 13.A.5 of the consent agenda be approved as presented

Motion carried 6-0, Trustee Weimer Absent

Recess

4.0 A brief recess at 4:50 p.m. with Regular Meeting to begin at 5:00 p.m.

Introductory Remarks

5.0 Trustee Schoeffler offered a prayer of thanksgiving for our district, teachers, parents and students. Noted student recognition is the best part of our meeting and to champion for our families by providing pay increases. Schoeffler expressed our educators and support staff are appreciated, blessed to be reelected and proud to be part of this district to advocate for teachers.

Board Recognition:

6.0 Staff and Students recognized:

- Sudler Cup Staff Recipients from Berry Miller Junior High
- TMSCA winners from Pearland Junior High West and Sablatura
- Do the Write Thing School Finalist from Pearland Junior High West
- Pearadox winners from Dawson, Pearland and Turner High Schools
- Community Problem Solving Students from Dawson High School, Pearland Junior High West, and Rogers Middle School
- State UIL Academics from Dawson High School
- Academic Decathlon Online Nationals Competition from Pearland High School
- State Powerlifting from Pearland High School
- TASBO Financial Awards for Pearland ISD Business Office
- UIL Pearland High School Boys Baseball State Tournament
- UIL Pearland High School Girls Softball State Champions

Commissioner Stacey Adams acknowledge the UIL Pearland High School Lady Oilers Softball State Champions with a Proclamation

Public Comment

11.0 A link to a public comment form was made available prior to the board meeting at: <https://www.pearlandisd.org/publiccomment>. The deadline to submit the completed form was prior to 5:00 p.m. on Monday, June 12, 2023, for anyone who wished to address the Board of Trustees

Dr. Cindy Dawson, former Pearland Junior High West Teacher, Armed Presence Requirement Maritza Wong, Dawson High School parent, the new state requirement in HB 3 that there be an armed person on every public school campus.

Public Hearing

President Murphy opened the meeting as a Public Hearing at 5:46 p.m.

12.0 A. Notice of Intent to Apply and Opportunity for Public Comment for the 2023-2024 Federal Entitlement Block Grants

Each summer, Pearland ISD applies for eligible federal entitlement block grants (ESSA Consolidated, Special Programs Consolidated (Federal), and Perkins V). These funds are for the upcoming school year. The TEA allocates a set amount to the district in each grant program.

There were no patrons present to speak on the hearing.

Public Hearing was closed at 5:47 p.m.

Regular Agenda

Defeasance

13. B.1 Consider Resolution Providing for the Cash Defeasance of Certain Currently Outstanding Obligations from the Series 2016 Bonds

A brief discussion took place discussing placement of funds by John Robuck with BOK Financial Securities, Inc.

A motion was made by Trustee Carbone and seconded by Trustee Schoeffler that the Board approve of a Resolution by the Board of Trustees of the Pearland Independent School District Providing for the Defeasance and Calling for Redemption Certain Currently Outstanding Obligations Designated "Pearland Independent School District Unlimited Tax Refunding Bonds, Series 2016"; directing that district officials effectuate the defeasance of these obligations; authorizing the execution of an escrow agreement; and delegating to certain district officials and staff the authority to effectuate matters herein resolved.

Motion carried 6-0, Trustee Weimer Absent

Budget Amendment

13. B.2 Approval of Fiscal Year 2022-23 Budget Amendment

The purpose of this budget amendment is to adjust expenditures for the General Fund and revenues for the Food Service Fund Correction

A discussion took place with the board asking questions of Mrs. Carter.

A motion was made by Trustee Schoeffler and seconded by Trustee Carbone that the Board approve the June budget amendment as presented.

Motion carried 6-0, Trustee Weimer Absent

Purchase System

13. B.3 Consider Approval of Vape Detection System utilizing DIR Contract #DIR-CPO-4742 with Preferred Technologies, LLC

The high schools have expressed a need to establish deterrent and preventative measures to minimize or eliminate student vaping on campus, which will in turn result in a decrease in discipline actions. The school district has carryover funds available in its Title IV, Part A, Subpart 1, Student Support and Academic Enrichment entitlement that will be used to fund vape detection systems at PACE, Pearland High School, Turner College and Career High School, and Dawson High School. Part of the intent of this grant is to improve school conditions for student learning and recommended to use the funds to integrate health and safety practices into school.

Mr. Berger presented the need for this purchase and answered questions from the Board on the functions of the systems. Ms. Holt and Donna Tate, Federal Programs/Grants Administrator, spoke on the need of education on the issue and the priority to deter students from vaping with these devices.

A motion was made by Trustee Schoeffler and seconded by Trustee Carter that the Board approve the purchase of vape detection systems utilizing DIR Contract #DIR-CPO-4742 for Law Enforcement, Surveillance and Security Monitoring, Emergency Preparedness, Disaster Recovery Technology Products and Services with Preferred Technologies, LLC for a total amount of \$89,993.25.

Motion carried 6-0, Trustee Weimer Absent

Compensation

13. B.4 Consider Approval of 2023-2024 Salary Compensation Package

Administration recommends the board approve a General Pay Increase for all eligible employees as listed below.

- Increase beginning teacher salaries from \$59,600 to \$60,500, leaving the control point for teachers and librarians at \$63,500
- Increase salaries by 2% of the current midpoint for all eligible employees
- Adjust the auxiliary pay grades

A motion was made by Trustee Botkin and seconded by Trustee Carbone that the Board approve the salary and compensation package as presented for the 2023-2024 school year and reserves the right to readdress pay for employees subject to the Board's consideration or successful passage of a Voter-Approval Tax Rate Election.

Motion carried 6-0, Trustee Weimer Absent

TASB Assembly

13. B.5 Designate a Delegate/Alternate to the 2023 TASB Delegate Assembly

A motion was made by Trustee Schoeffler and seconded by Trustee Botkin that the Board appoint Crystal Carbone as a delegate and Nanette Weimer, alternate for the 2023 TASB Delegate Assembly

Motion carried 6-0, Trustee Weimer Absent

Board Vacancy

7.0 Discuss the Process for Filling the Board of Trustee Vacancy Created by the Resignation of Trustee Lance Botkin, Position 6

Mr. Berger and Mr. Murphy spoke of the process for filling the vacancy for Trustee Botkin based on past experiences.

Closed Session

8.0 President Murphy convened the Board into Closed Session at 7:55 p.m. in accordance with Section 551.001

- A. Section 551.071 - Private Consultation with the Board's Attorney Regarding any Item Listed on the Agenda
- B. Section 551.074 - Personnel Discussion
 - 1. Employment of Professional and Instructional Personnel
 - 2. Review Resignations
 - 3. Consider Naming Pearland Junior High East Principal
- C. Section 551.076 - Considering the Deployment, Specific Occasions for, or Implementation of, Security Personnel or Devices
- D. Section 551.082 – Consider Discipline of a Public School Child, or Complaint or Charge Against Personnel
 - 1. Consideration Regarding Level 3 Parent Appeal
- E. Consider Action on the Parent Appeal of an Order of Expulsion

Mr. Berger and Dr. Dahlkamp participated in closed session with the Board regarding matters.

Reconvene

9.0 The Board reconvened in open session at 6:17 p.m.

No action was taken in closed session.

Consider Action

10.0 Action to be taken place on items discussed in closed session.

A motion was made by Trustee Botkin and seconded by Trustee Carter that the board accept and approve the Superintendent's recommendation to name Audie Johnson as principal of Pearland Junior High East

Motion carried 6-0, Trustee Weimer Absent

A motion was made by Trustee Botkin and seconded by Trustee Carbone that the board accept and approve the Superintendent's recommendation for the Employment of Personnel, as presented.

Motion carried 6-0, Trustee Weimer Absent

A motion was made by Trustee Botkin and seconded by Trustee Carbone that the board uphold the Order of Expulsion

Motion carried 6-0, Trustee Weimer Absent

Trustee Vacancy

13. B.6 Consider Appointment for Trustee Vacancy Position 6

A motion was made by Trustee Schoeffler and a second by Trustee Kuhn that the board appoint Robert (Bob) Richter, as a trustee to fill the vacancy created by the resignation of Lance Botkin. The trustee will serve as a member of the board until the May, 2024 election at which time the position will be placed on the ballot for the one year remaining on the term.

A discussion followed about Mr. Richter’s experience with the community and district.

Motion carried 5-0, Trustee Botkin Abstained from Voting, Trustee Weimer Absent

Mr. Botkin spoke a few words about his tenure as a Board member.

Administrative Reports

Interim Financial **14.A** Interim Financial Statement Report as of April 30, 2023

Purchases over 50K **14.B** Purchases over \$50,000 for the month of April 2023

Adjournment **17.0** The meeting adjourned at 8:09 p.m.

We affirm that these minutes are official, complete and correct.

President, Sean Murphy

Secretary, Kristofer Schoeffler

Date Minutes Approved _____

Date Signed by Officers _____