

**Pearland Independent School District**  
*Workshop and Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees*  
May 16, 2023

The Board of Trustees of the Pearland Independent School District met in regular session on Tuesday, May 16, 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 3:36 p.m.
- Establishment of a Quorum** 2.0  
Trustee Sean Murphy, President  
Trustee Crystal Carbone, Vice President  
Trustee Kristofer Schoeffler, Secretary  
Trustee Toni Carter  
Trustee Amanda Kuhn  
Trustee Nanette Weimer
- Trustees Absent** Trustee Lance Botkin
- Executive Council Present** Superintendent, Larry Berger  
  
Chief Financial Officer, Jorgannie Carter  
Chief Academic Officer, Dr. Nyla Watson  
Assistant Superintendent, Dr. Lisa Nixon  
Executive Director for Human Resource Services and Communications, Dr. Sundie Dahlkamp  
Executive Director of Elementary Schools, Marlo Keller  
Executive Director of Intermediate Schools, Dr. La’Kesha Henson – Vaughn  
Executive Director of High Schools, Kelly Holt  
Chief Technology Officer, Jon- Paul Estes  
General Counsel, Tanya Dawson
- Recording Secretary** Gina Guzzetta
- Budget Workshop** 5.0 Mrs. Carter presented 2023-2024 revenue assumptions, pending legislative considerations, tax rate, budget projections and food service funds. Mr. Estes presented on technology options for the district.
- Canvass Election** 3.0 The Board adopted an order declaring the May 6, 2023, election where Toni Carter was elected to Position One and Kristofer Schoeffler was elected to Position Two
- Recess** 6.0 A brief recess at 4:55 p.m. with Regular Meeting to begin at 5:05 p.m.
- Oath of Office** 4.0 Gina Guzzetta, Board Secretary administered the Oath of Office to the Newly Elected Board Members, Toni Carter, Position One and Kristofer Schoeffler, Position Two
- Introductory Remarks** 7.0 Trustee Carter thanked parents for support to our district, to our teachers, “you are the soul of our district, your work changes lives”. She also expressed appreciation to support staff for keeping our kids safe, brilliant administrators, and fellow board members for care and concern.

**Board Recognition:** 8.0 Staff recognized:

- Sgt. Andrew Beavers, 13 years of service as SRO Supervisor
- Dr. Nyla Watson, Retirement after 41 Years

**Closed Session** 9.0 President Murphy convened the Board into Closed Session at 5:23 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. Consider Naming the Principal of Harris Elementary School
  2. Consider Naming the Principal of Lawhon Elementary School
  3. Consider Naming the Principal of Magnolia Elementary School
  4. Consider Naming the Principal of Shadycrest Elementary School
  5. Employment of Professional and Instructional Personnel
  6. Review Resignations
  7. Approve Nonrenewal of Term Contract Teacher(s)
  8. Approve Termination of Probationary Contract Teacher(s)
  9. Consider Teacher Abandonment of Contract Sigaran, Giovanni
  10. Deliberate the Duties of the Board of Trustees
  11. Deliberate Board Officer Nominations
- C. Section 551.076 - Considering the Deployment, Specific Occasions for, or Implementation of, Security Personnel or Devices

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

**Reconvene** 10.0 The Board reconvened in open session at 6:17 p.m.

No action was taken in closed session.

**Consider Action** 11.0 Action to be taken place on items discussed in closed session.

A motion was made by Trustee Carter and seconded by Trustee Schoeffler that the board accept and approve the Superintendent's recommendation to name LaShonda Pernetter, as principal of Harris Elementary

Motion carried 6-0, Trustee Botkin Absent

A motion was made by Trustee Schoeffler and seconded by Trustee Kuhn that the board accept and approve the Superintendent's recommendation to name Veronica Rodriguez, as principal of Lawhon Elementary

Motion carried 6-0, Trustee Botkin Absent

A motion was made by Trustee Weimer and seconded by Trustee Kuhn that the board accept and approve the Superintendent's recommendation to name Dr. Kristine Solberg, as principal of Magnolia Elementary

Motion carried 6-0, Trustee Botkin Absent

A motion was made by Trustee Kuhn and seconded by Trustee Carter that the board accept and approve the Superintendent's recommendation to name Ryan Peterson, as principal of Shadycrest Elementary

Motion carried 6-0, Trustee Botkin Absent

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

Motion carried 6-0, Trustee Botkin Absent

A motion was made by Trustee Schoeffler and seconded by Trustee Carbone that the board accept and approve the Superintendent's recommendation to nonrenew the classroom teacher term contracts, as presented.

Motion carried 6-0, Trustee Botkin Absent

A motion was made by Trustee Carbone and seconded by Trustee Kuhn that the board accept and approve the Superintendent's recommendation to terminate the classroom teacher probationary contracts, as presented.

Motion carried 6-0, Trustee Botkin Absent

A motion was made by Trustee Carbone and seconded by Trustee Carter that the Board issue a finding in accordance with TEC Section 21.210(c)(2) and 19 TAC 249.14(g), that good cause did not exist for Giovanni Sigaran, a probationary contract teacher, to abandon her employment contract and abandon his position with Pearland ISD.

Motion carried 6-0, Botkin Absent

A motion was made by Trustee Carbone and seconded by Trustee Kuhn that the Board authorize the Board President to send a letter to the Texas Education Agency - Educator Certification Division seeking sanction of a probationary contract teacher, Giovanni Sigaran, for abandonment of his employment contract.

Motion carried 6-0, Botkin Absent

A motion was made by Trustee Carbone and seconded by Trustee Carter to nominate Sean Murphy, President, Crystal Carbone, Vice President and Dr. Kristofer Schoeffler, Secretary  
Motion carried 6-0, Botkin Absent

**Public Comment**      **12.0** 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, May 15, 2023, for anyone who wished to address the Board of Trustees

No patrons present to speak

### New Business

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

The following items were then voted on:

**Approval of Minutes**      **13. A.1** Approval of the minutes of the Regular Board Meeting on April 11, 2023

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

**Allotment Survey**      **13. A.3** Approval of 2023-2024 TEKS Certification and Allotment Survey

**Student Insurance**      **13. A.4** Approval of Contract Award for RFP #20-0420-14 for Student Athletic Insurance Coverage and Catastrophic Student Athletic Coverage with Greater East Texas Insurance Associates

**Workers Compensation**      **13. A.5** Approval of Contract Extension of RFP #20-0318-01 for Workers' Compensation Insurance Coverage with TASB Risk Management Services

**Food Service Equipment**      **13. A.6** Approval of RFP #23-0308-12 for Food Service Equipment

**Intercom Replacement**      **13. A.7** Approval of Purchase of Intercom Replacement Systems at Alexander Middle School and Cockrell, Magnolia and Massey Ranch Elementary Schools

- A motion was made by Trustee Carbone and seconded by Trustee Schoeffler, items 13.A.1, 13. A.2, 13.A.3, 13.A.4, 13.A.5, 13.A.6 and 13.A.7 of the consent agenda be approved as presented

Motion carried 6-0, Trustee Botkin Absent

### **Regular Agenda**

**AP Exam Payment**      **13. B.1** Consider Approval of College Board Advanced Placement Exam Payment

A brief discussion took place discussing placement of funds.

A motion was made by Trustee Schoeffler and seconded by Trustee Weimer that the Board approve payment to College Board for Advanced Placement examinations not to exceed \$430,000

Motion carried 6-0, Trustee Botkin Absent

**District of Innovation 13. B.2 Consider and Approval of Proposed Changed to the District of Innovation**

Mr. Berger spoke on the four amendments to the current plan and Dr. Nixon spoke specifically on item 1 of the plan, that SHAC be exempt from making an audio or video recording of all meetings.

A discussion took place with the board asking questions about the recommendations

A motion was made by Trustee Schoeffler and seconded by Trustee Carbone that the Board approve the changes to the District of Innovation as presented with removing line item #1.

Motion carried 6-0, Trustee Botkin Absent

**Natorium 13. B.3 Consider Termination of Interlocal Agreement and Approve Facility Use Agreement with the City of Pearland for the District's Use of the Natatorium**

Mr. Berger presented plan to the board in regard to the Natatorium

A motion was made by Trustee Carter and seconded by Trustee Carbone that the Board approves the Early Termination Agreement of the Interlocal Agreement with the City of Pearland, dated October 1, 2007, and authorize payment of \$3,500,000 to the City of Pearland.

Motion carried 6-0, Trustee Botkin Absent

A motion was made by Trustee Schoeffler and seconded by Trustee Carter to approve the Facility Use Agreement for the District's use of the Pearland Natatorium for an annual fee of \$122,000 starting July 1, 2023, through June 30, 2026

Motion carried 6-0, Trustee Botkin Absent

**Budget Amendment 13. B.4 Consider Approval of Fiscal Year 2022-23 Budget Amendment**

Mrs. Carter spoke on the budget amendment

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

Motion carried 6-0, Trustee Botkin Absent

**Budget and Tax Rate 13. B.5 Consider a Public Meeting Date to Discuss the 2023-2024 Budget and Proposed Tax Rate**

Mr. Berger and Mrs. Carter spoke of the reasoning to approve the date for the public meeting and provided a not to exceed tax rate as stated

A motion was made by Trustee Schoeffler and seconded by Trustee Kuhn that the Board approve Friday, June 23, 2023, at 9:00 a.m., as the date to hold a public meeting to discuss the 2023-2024 budget and to publish the required notice with a proposed tax rate of \$1.24247 per \$100 valuation.

Motion carried 5-1, Trustee Carbone opposed, Trustee Botkin Absent

**Efficiency Audit**

**13. B.6** Consider and Possible Approval of Efficiency Audit Engagement with Whitley Penn, LLP

A motion was made by Trustee Carter and a second by Trustee Schoeffler that the board approved Whitley Penn, LLP to conduct an efficiency audit of the district

Motion carried 5-1, Trustee Carbone opposed, Trustee Botkin Absent

**Administrative Reports**

**SHAC**

**14.A** School Health Advisory Council (SHAC) Annual Report for 2022-2023

**Investment**

**14.B** Third Quarter Investment Report for Fiscal Year 2022-2023

**Interim Financial**

**14.C** Interim Financial Statement Report as of March 31, 2023

**Purchases over 50K**

**14.D** Purchases over \$50,000 for the month of March 2023

The Board reconvened in closed session at 7:24 p.m.

The Board convened in open session at 8:35 p.m.

No action was taken in closed session

**Adjournment**

**17.0** The meeting adjourned at 8:35 p.m.

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

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President, Sean Murphy

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Secretary, Kristofer Schoeffler

Date Minutes Approved \_\_\_\_\_

Date Signed by Officers \_\_\_\_\_