Walnut Bend Independent School District

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Notice of Called Meeting
Board of Trustees
Walnut Bend Independent School District
August 29, 2017
Posted August 25, 2017

AGENDA

A called meeting of The Board of Trustees of the Walnut Bend Independent School District will be held on Tuesday, August 29, 2017 at 7:00 PM in the Library of the Walnut Bend ISD at 47 CR 198, Walnut Bend, Texas.

The subjects to be discussed or considered or upon which any formal action may be taken are listed below. Items do not have to be taken in the same order as shown on this meeting notice.

1. Call Meeting to Order and Declaration of Quorum
2. Invocation
3. Pledge to the Flags
4. Public Comments and Public hearing concerning budget
5. Review and Action on 2017-2018 Budget.
6. Review and Action on setting tax rate for 2017-2018
7. Superintendent Report
    a. Enrollment
8. Review and Action of additional student transfers for 2017-2018.
9. Adjourn

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Debra Sikes

Debra Sikes, Superintendent
(For the Board of Trustees)

WALNUB BEND INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

Board Meeting Minutes

Special Session

August 29, 2107

Present: Raegan Clark, Randy Clark, Robert Morrison, Virginia McNairn, and Supt. Sikes
Absent: Crystal Johnson, Hyla Burleson, and Roxi Castillo

1. Call to Order and Declaration of Quorum: Randy Clark
2. Invocation: Virginia McNairn
3. Pledge to the American Flag: all
4. No audience in attendance.
5. Motion to approve the budget for 2017-2018 made by Virginia McNairn. Second by Raegan Clark, all voted in favor.
6. Motion made by Raegan Clark to continue the $1.04 tax rate for $100.00 in valued property. Second by Robert Morrison; all voted in favor.
7. Superintendent Report:
   . Enroll is now at 80 students.
   . Air conditioner in a class room has gone our; replace cost is $6,000.00
   . Sewer pump required repair.
   . Two students, grandchildren of a teacher, have enrolled due to moving from the flooded Houston Area.
8. Motion made to approve the transfer of Isolde Loredo made by Virginia McNairn; second by Raegan Clark; all voted in favor.
9. No addition business. Adjournment 7:15

Randy Clark — 9-12-17

President — Date

Virginia McNairn

Secretary

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Notice of Regular Meeting
Board of Trustees
Walnut Bend Independent School District
August 15, 2017

AGENDA

A Regular meeting of The Board of Trustees of the Walnut Bend Independent School District will be held on Tuesday, August 15, 2017, at 7:00 PM in the Library of the Walnut Bend ISD at 47 CR 198, Walnut Bend, Texas.

The subjects to be discussed or considered or upon which any formal action may be taken are listed below. Items do not have to be taken in the same order as shown on this meeting notice.

1. Call Meeting to Order and Declaration of Quorum
2. Invocation
3. Pledge to the Flags
4. Public Forum: (Public participation is limited to the designated open forum portion of the meeting per policy BED.) Anyone wishing to speak must sign in and list the topics you wish to discuss. The board shall impose reasonable restraints regarding the number of people discussing one topic, number of speakers per meeting and a 3-minute limit per speaker.
5. Discussion by Christi Clark regarding the restoration of her salary to prior to her taking over the business management of the district.
6. Review and Action on July 11, 2017, Board Minutes.
7. Review and Action on Financials, Budget Amendments and Bills.
8. Discuss and Review 2017-2018 Budget. Set Public Hearing for 2017-2018 Budget.
9. Discuss and Review Tax Rate for 2017-2018. Set Public Hearing for 2017-2018 Tax Rate.
10. Review and Action on employee salaries/stipends for 2017-2018.
11. Review the 2016-2017 District Accountability Rating on Index 1.
12. Review and Action on the Employee Handbook for 2017-2018.
13. Review and Action on the Student Code of Conduct for 2017-2018.
14. Review and Action of the Student Handbook for 2017-2018.
15. Review and Action of Region 11 Benefits Cooperative.
16. Review and Action on Resolution to extend Depository Contract for Funds of Independent School Districts Under Texas Education Code, Chapter 45, Subchapter G, School District Depositories.
17. Review and Action on Resolution to recognize Extracurricular Status of 4-H Organizational Activities.
18. Review and Action on District of Innovation Plan.
19. Discussion of Superintendent Evaluation to be completed at September board meeting.

20. Review and Action on Teacher Evaluation System Guidelines in accordance with the District of Innovation Plan.
21. Review and Action on Employee Drug Policy for 2017-2018.
22. Superintendent Report
    a. Enrollment Projection
    b. Jim Roberson Tax Collection
    c. Financial Report
        i. Bank Balances
        ii. Tax Deposits
        iii. Investment Update
        iv. Fund Balance
        v. Revenues and Expenditures
    d. Community and School Activities
23. Executive Session:
    a. Personnel issues
    b. Litigation issues
    c. Student issues
24. Reconvene to Open Session for Action Relative to Items Considered During Closed Session
25. Review and Action of student transfers for 2015-2016.
26. Adjourn

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Debra Sikes

Debra Sikes
(For the Board of Trustees)

WALNUT BEND INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

Board Minutes

August 15, 2017

Present: Hyla Burleson, Robert Morrison, Virginia McNairn, Raegan Clark, Randy Clark, Supt. Sikes and Christy Clark.

Absent: Crystal Johnson and Roxi Castillo

1. Call to Order and Declaration of Quorum: Randy Clark
2. Invocation: Virginia McNairn
3. Pledge to the Flag: All
4. Public Forum: Christy Clark requested that her salary be reinstated to the amount she was making prior to becoming business, a function she is no longer preforming.

   Exectuive Session called at 7:09; returned to open session at 7:24
5. Hyla Burleson made a motion to return Christy Clark's salary to $31, 395.00 annually. Second by Robert Morrison; all voted in favor, with Randy Clark and Raegan abstaining. Christy Clark left after this.

   Action Item #10 permits this action, agenda adjusted to complete this phase of business.
6. Motion made by Hyla Burleson to approve the minutes of July 11, 2017. Second by Robert Morrison; all voted in favor.
7. Motion made by Raegan Clark to pay the bills and amend the budget (moving from 1 account to another only). Second by Hyla Burleson; all voted in favor.
8. Budget for 2017-2018 discussed; Public Hearing will be August 29th.
9. Recommended tax rate for 2017-2018 is $1.04 per $100.00 evaluation; Public Hearing will be August 29th.
10. Salary adjustments recommended:
    - . state required step for teachers plus the $100.00 per year of employment
    - . Mrs. Martin – 3% - she has reached the maximum level
    - . office & cafeteria staff – 4% (Christy Clark's increase will be based on the reinstated salary.)
    - . Gabby Probst - $1,000.00 stipend for Special Programs
    - . Heather Holle - $2,000.00 stipend for Academic Coach
    - . Supt. Sikes - $78,000.00 – this includes assuming testing coordinator responsibilities previously performed by Ashlie Hazel for a $2,000.00 stipend.
    - . normal reimbursement for those who do not take the medical coverage

    Raegan Clark made a motion to approve the above salary changes. Second by Hyla Burleson; all voted in favor.
11. Accountability for Index 1: Student Achievement Calculation: Score 74 – 60 required for "Meet Standard"
12. Employee Handbook: Motion made by Hyla Burleson to approve the Employee Handbook with the following changes. Second by Raegan Clark; all voted in favor.

    Changes-page 32, item 1.13 – Remove "when students are present."

    Page 36. Add "there will be no use of personal electronics during the school day other than during the lunch hour or before school begins and after school ends. Other use must approved by the superintendent.

    Page 40. Remove the words "may be" from line 5.

Page 46. Change the wording for temperature setting to adjusting the thermostats at the end of the day to a temperature lower than day settings.

13. Student Handbook: Motion made by Raegan Clark to approve with the following changes. Second by Hyla Burleson; all voted in favor.
    changes –Page 46-delete the ban on ear "jewelry" for boys.
    Page 47-allow unclaimed confiscated phone cells to be returned to student at the end of the school year.
14. Virginia McNairn made a motion to approve the Student Code of Conduct Handbook for 2017-2018. Second by Raegan Clark; all voted in favor.
15. Motion made by Virginia McNairn to continue the participation in Region 11 Benefits Cooperative Program. Second by Raegan Clark; all voted in favor.
16. Motion made by Raegan Clark to continue using The First State Bank of Gainesville as the Depository of Funds. Second by Hyla Burleson; all voted in favor.
17. Motion to recognize Extracurricular Status of 4-H Organizational Activities made by Virginia McNairn. Second by Reagan Clark; all voted in favor.
18. Motion made by Hyla Burleson to approve the District of Innovation Plan. Second by Raegan Clark; all voted in favor.
19. Superintendent Evaluation will be completed in September; forms received by each Board Member.
20. Motion made by Virginia McNairn to approve the Teacher Evaluation System Guidelines in accordance with the District of Innovation Plan. Second by Raegan Clark; all voted in favor.
21. Employee Drug Policy for 2017-18 will be reviewed in September.
22. Superintendent's Report
    a. Projected enrollment: 77
    b. $9.88 delinquent taxes collected.
    c. Bank balances, tax deposits, investments, fund balance, revenues, and expenses reviewed. Funds available: $911,020.47.
    d. School activities through September 18th were noted.
23. No additional executive session.
24. No action required.
25. Motion made by Hyla Burleson to approve transfer request. Second by Raegan Clark; all voted in favor. (see attacked listing)
26. No additional business. Adjournment: 10:18.

R J Clark 9-12-17

President Date

Virginia McNairn

Secretary

Walnut Bend Independent School District

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Notice of Regular Meeting
Board of Trustees
Walnut Bend Independent School District
Meeting: July 11, 2017

AGENDA

A Regular meeting of The Board of Trustees of the Walnut Bend Independent School District will be held on Tuesday, July 11, 2017, beginning at 7:00 PM in the Board Room of the Walnut Bend ISD at 47 CR 198, Walnut Bend, Texas.

The subjects to be discussed or considered, or upon which any formal action may be taken, are listed below. Items do not have to be taken in the same order as shown on this meeting notice.

1. Call Meeting to Order and Declaration of Quorum
2. Invocation
3. Pledge to the Flags
4. Public Comments
5. Discussion and Action on Internet Tower with Susan Sullivan of Nextlink
6. Review and Action on Minutes from the June 13, 2017, Board Meeting and Public Hearing
7. Review and Action on Financials/Bills
8. Review and Action on Bid for the gym floor
9. Superintendent's Report
    a. Enrollment
    b. Financial Report
    c. Jim Roberson Tax Collections
    d. Student Performance on STAAR
    e. Facilities
10. Executive Session:
    a. Personnel issues – Bus Driver/PE Coach, Drug Testing
    b. Student issues – Student Transfers
11. Action on Bus Driver/PE Coaches, Drug Testing of Teachers and any other items from Executive Session
12. Adjourn

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Debra Sikes

Debra L. Sikes, Superintendent
(For the Board of Trustees)

Walnut Bend Independent School District

Board of Trustees Meeting
July 11, 2017
MINUTES

Present: Randy Clark, Hyla Burleson, Robert Morrison, Crystal Johnson, Deb Sikes
Absent: Roxi Castillo, Virginia McNairn, and Raegan Clark

1. Call Meeting to Order and Declaration of Quorum at 7:16: Randy Clark
2. Invocation Deb Sikes
3. Pledge to the Flags: All
4. No audience in attendance
5. Susan Sullivan of Nextlink met with the board to discuss the possibility of providing internet service to the community by placing a tower on the school property. She gave a little history on the company and explained the pricing and services they provide. She stated that staff members and school board members would receive a $10 discount per month. When asked who is liable if the tower falls and damages the school, Susan indicated that Nextlink is responsible. Hyla moved to allow a tower on the school property; Bobby seconded it. Board voted to allow Nextlink to place a tower on the school property.
6. Hyla moved to accept the minutes from the June 13, 2017; Bobby seconded. Board approved.
7. Hyla moved to accept the financials and pay the bills; Bobby seconded. Board approved.
8. Mrs. Sikes discussed the three possibilities on repairs to the gym floor ranging from patching the broken boards and recoating the floor to also restriping the basketball and volleyball stripes and varnishing the floor so all boards would match and give the floor a new appearance to totally replacing the entire floor and replacing with maple wood. Mrs. Sikes recommend the second option at $13,000 so that the floor would be repaired as well as given the appearance of a new floor with striping. While several members felt it was in the school's best interest to completely replace the floor, they felt more time was needed to consider this option. Hyla moved to do the cheapest option at $3,000; Crystal seconded. The board approved.
9. Superintendent's Report
    a. Enrollment: 74 (same as end of the year)
    b. Financials Reviewed
    c. Jim Roberson Tax Collections: $81.49
    d. STAAR Results were reviewed. Overall, scores were higher than the state averages. Areas of concern include 7th grade, science and social studies
    e. Facilities – update on outside classroom
10. Executive Session:
    a. Personnel issues – Bus Driver/PE Coach, Drug Testing
11. Bobby recommended we accept the transfer students with the exception of a PK student; hire two new employees and require drug testing; Hyla seconded. Board approved.
12. Adjourned at 9:20

Randy Clark 10-17-17

President Date

Virginia McNairn

Secretary

Walnut Bend Independent School District

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Notice of Regular Meeting
Board of Trustees
Walnut Bend Independent School District
Meeting: June 13, 2017

AGENDA

A Regular meeting of The Board of Trustees of the Walnut Bend Independent School District will be held on Tuesday, June 13, 2017, beginning at 7:00 PM in the Board Room of the Walnut Bend ISD at 47 CR 198, Walnut Bend, Texas.

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1. Call Meeting to Order and Declaration of Quorum
2. Invocation
3. Pledge to the Flags
4. Public Comments
5. Review and Action on Minutes from the May 9, 2017, Board Meeting and Public Hearing
6. Review and Action on Financials/Bills
7. Review and Action on Budget Amendments
8. Review and Action on District of Innovation Plan
9. Review and Action on Purchase of School Supplies for 17-18
10. Review and Action on ESC 11 Contracts
11. Review and Action on Instructional Materials Allotment Policy
12. Superintendent's Report
    a. Enrollment
    b. Financial Report
    c. Jim Roberson Tax Collections
    d. Student Performance
    e. Community Survey
    f. Student Survey
    g. Facilities
    h. Board Training/Workshops
    i. Community and School Activities
13. Executive Session:
    a. Personnel issues – Bus Driver/PE Coach, Drug Testing
    b. Litigation issues
    c. Student issues – Student Transfers
14. Adjourn

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Debra L. Sikes

Debra L. Sikes, Superintendent
(For the Board of Trustees)

WALNUT BEND INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

Board Meeting

June 13, 2017 7:02 pm

Present: Raegan Clark, Randy Clark, Hyla Burleson, Robert Morrison and Supt. Debra Sikes

Absent: Roxi Castillo, Virginia McNairn and Crystal Johnson

1. Call to Order and Declaration of Quorum: Randy Clark
2. Invocation: Deb Sikes
3. Pledge to the Flag: All
4. No audience in attendance
5. Motion by Hyla Burleson to approve the minutes of June 13, 2017. Second by Raegan Clark; all voted in favor.
6. Motion made by Raegan Clark to pay the bills. Second by Hyla Burleson; all voted in favor.
7. Motion made by Raegan Clark to approve the Budget Amendments. Second by Hyla Burleson; all voted in favor.
8. Motion made by Hyla Burleson to accept the District of Innovation Plan. Second by Robert Morrison; all voted in favor.
9. Motion by Raegan Clark to purchase school supplies for all students. Second by Hyla Burleson; all voted in favor.
10. Motion by Raegan Clark to purchase ESC 11 Contracts. Second by Hyla Burleson; all voted I favor.
11. Motion by Raegan Clark to accept the Instructional Materials Policy. Second by Robert Morriso; all voted in favor.
12. Superintendent's Report:
    a. Enrollment: 75
    b. Financial data reviewed
    c. Delinquent taxes collected: $108.27
    d. Student reading performance reviewed
    e. Community Survey results reviewed and discussed
    f. Student Survey results reviewed and discussed
    g. Facilities discussed
    h. Board training/workshops discussed
    i. Calendar dates of activities discussed
13. **Executive Session for the purpose of discussing transfer students and teacher contracts was called at 8:45; returned to Open Session at 9:45 pm.**
14. No additional business; adjournment 9:29

Randy Clark — 10-17-17

President — Date

Virginia McNairn

Secretary

Walnut Bend Independent School District

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Notice of Regular Meeting
Board of Trustees
Walnut Bend Independent School District
Meeting: May 9, 2017

AGENDA

PUBLIC HEARING

A Public Hearing will be held at 6:30 on Tuesday, May 9, 2017, to discuss Walnut Bend ISD becoming a District of Innovation. The Agenda for the Public Hearing is as follows:

1. Call Meeting to Order
2. Provide Information about becoming a District of Innovation
3. Answer Questions or Concerns regarding becoming a District of Innovation
4. Adjourn

A Regular meeting of The Board of Trustees of the Walnut Bend Independent School District will be held on Tuesday, May 9, 2017, beginning at 7:00 PM in the Board Room of the Walnut Bend ISD at 47 CR 198, Walnut Bend, Texas.

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1. Call Meeting to Order and Declaration of Quorum
2. Invocation
3. Pledge to the Flags
4. Public Comments
5. Review and Action on Minutes from the April 11, 2017
6. Review and Action on Financials/Bills
7. Discussion on Joining Region 10 Multi-Region Purchasing Cooperative
8. Selection of a District of Innovation Committee
9. Discussion on Internet Provider for 17-18
10. Discussion on Benefits Contract for 17-18
11. Superintendent's Report
    a. Enrollment
    b. Financial Report
    c. Jim Roberson Tax Collections
    d. STAAR Results for 5th & 8th grade
    e. Board Training/Workshops
    f. Community and School Activities
12. Executive Session:

a. Personnel issues – Teacher Contracts, Resignations, etc.
b. Student Issues

13. Adjourn

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Debra L. Sikes

Debra L. Sikes, Superintendent
(For the Board of Trustees)

WALNUT BEND INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

Board Minutes

May 9, 2017

1. Present: Robert Morrison, Roxi Castillo, Virginia McNairn, Crystal Johnson, Randy Clark, and Supt. Sikes. Absent: Hyla Burleson and Raegan
2. Invocation: Virginia McNairn
3. Pledge to the American Flag: All
4. There was no audience in attendance.
5. Motion made by Roxi Castillo to approve the minutes of April 11, 2107. Second by Crystal Johnson; all voted in favor.
6. Motion made by Virginia McNairn to pay the bills. Second by Crystal Johnson; all voted in favor.
7. Discussion regarding joining region 10 Multi-region Purchasing Cooperative; no formal action taken.
8. Roxi Castillo and Virginia McNairn will represent the Board as members of the District of Innovation Committee.
9. Internet service from region 11 will no longer be available at no charge. Service will be provided by NextLink for $170.00 monthly. The company will provide a tower at the school with a plan to make it available to the community for a competitive price determined by the service wanted by the customer.
10. Benefits Cooperative through Region 11 will be used for the coming school year.
11. Superintendent's report:
    a. Enrollment: 75
    b. Financial data was reviewed; funds available on April 30, 2017 - $937,989.79
    c. $63.91 in delinquent taxes collected by Jim Robertson Tax Agency.
    d. STAAR results for 5th and 8th grades reviewed.
    e. Board Training was discussed. Supt. Sikes will look into several possibilities, state convention, St. Jo training in Oct., possible teleconferencing, and others.
    f. Community and school activities discussed; last day of school is May 26th.
12. **Executive Session was called at 8:00; returned to Open Session at 8:25.**
13. a. Motion made by Virginia McNairn to present Ashlie Hazel with a 1 year contract. Second by Roxi Castillo; voting for Robert Morrison, Roxi Castillo, Virginia McNairn, and Randy Clark, Crystal Johnson abstained. Motion carried.
    Motion made by Virginia McNairn to accept the resignation from Randi Cory as bus driver and receptionist affective at the end of the school. Second by Roxi Castillo; all voted in favor.
    b. No student issues.
14. No additional business; adjournment: 8:30

Randy Clark — 10-17-17

President — Date

Virginia McNairn

Secretary

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Notice of Regular Meeting
Board of Trustees
Walnut Bend Independent School District
Meeting: April 11, 2017

AGENDA

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1. Call Meeting to Order and Declaration of Quorum
2. Invocation
3. Pledge to the Flags
4. Public Comments
5. Review and Action on Minutes from the March 7, 2017
6. Review and Action on Financials/Bills
7. Review and Action on Board Policy Update 107
8. Adopt Board Resolution to Pursue becoming a District of Innovation
9. Superintendent's Report
    a. Enrollment
    b. Financial Report
    c. Jim Roberson Tax Collections
    d. Student Performance
    e. Facilities
    f. Board Training/Workshops
    g. Community and School Activities
10. Executive Session:
    a. Personnel issues – Teacher Contracts and Staff Letters of Assurance
    b. Litigation issues
    c. Student issues – Student Transfers
11. Adjourn

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Debra L. Sikes

Debra L. Sikes, Superintendent
(For the Board of Trustees)

WALNUT BEND INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

Board Meeting

4/11/2017 7:06 pm

Present: Raegan Clark, Randy Clark, Roxi Castillo, Virginia McNairn, Hyla Burleson, and Supt. Debra Sikes

Absent: Robert Morrison and Crystal Johnson

1. Call to Order and Declaration of Quorum: Randy Clark
2. Invocation: Virginia McNairn
3. Pledge to the Flag: All
4. No audience in attendance
5. Motion by Raegan Clark to approve the minutes of March 7, 2017. Second by Roxi Castillo; all voted in favor.
6. Motion made by Raegan Clark to pay the bills. Second by Roxi Castillo; all voted in favor. Supt. Sikes will investigate the possibility of automatic bank payment on the telephone, electric, and any other bills that might be time sensitive in relation to the date of Board meetings or would afford a discount.
7. Motion made by Virginia McNairn to approve the adoption of Board Policy Update 107. Second by Raegan Clark; all voted in favor.
8. Motion made by Raegan Clark to adopt a Resolution to Pursue becoming a District of Innovation. Second by Hyla Burleson; all voted in favor.
9. Superintendent's Report:
   a. Enrollment: 76
   b. Financial data reviewed; funds available: $951,970.54
   c. Delinquent taxes collected: $129.28
   d. Student testing performance reviewed.
   e. Facilities:
      . minor roof leak following the roof repair in the new part of the building but contractor has repaired.
      . ceiling tile has fallen in the front office; it will be checked for asbestos prior to repair
      . window and air conditioner measurements taken for supt. office with data to follow
      . Suburban damaged as a result of a driver on the wrong side of the road, no physical injuries, but photos taken of damage to the Suburban for insurance purposes.
   f. No action taken in regard to Board training.
   g. Calendar dates of act ivies were given through the end of school.
10. **Executive Session for the purpose of discussing transfer students and teacher contracts was called at 8:34; returned to Open Session at 9:25.**
    a. Motion made by Raegan Clark to approve one year term contracts for Amanda Roundtree, Emily Martin, Heather Holle, and Gabby Probst; one year probationary contract for Rachel Hellinger; letters of reasonable assurance for Janie Adams, Pam Blankenship, Marilyn Burgess, Christy Clark, Randi Cory, Brenda Pierce, Barbara Smith, and Daisy Hernandez. Second by Roxi Castillo; all voted in favor.
    b. No legal issues
    c. Motion made by Virginia McNairn to accept all student transfers. Second by Roxi Castillo; all voted in favor. (See attached list for names)

11. No additional business; adjournment 9:29

Ralph Oak
President

10-17-17
Date

Virginia McNair
Secretary

Walnut Bend Independent School District

47 CR 198 Gainesville, TX 76240
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Notice of Regular Meeting
Board of Trustees
Walnut Bend Independent School District
Meeting: March 7, 2017

AGENDA

A Regular meeting of The Board of Trustees of the Walnut Bend Independent School District will be held on Tuesday, March 7, 2017, beginning at 7:00 PM in the Board Room of the Walnut Bend ISD at 47 CR 198, Walnut Bend, Texas.

The subjects to be discussed or considered, or upon which any formal action may be taken. are listed below. Items do not have to be taken in the same order as shown on this meeting notice.

1. Call Meeting to Order and Declaration of Quorum
2. Invocation
3. Pledge to the Flags
4. Public Comments
5. Review and Action on Minutes from the February 13, 2017 and February 21, 2017
6. Review and Action on Financials/Bills
7. Review and Action on Facility Repairs
8. First Reading on Board Policy Update 107
9. Individual Voting of Region 11 Board of Directors
10. Discussion of Media Honor Roll
11. Superintendent's Report
    a. Enrollment
    b. Financial Report
    c. Jim Roberson Tax Collections
    d. Student Performance
    e. Facilities
    f. Transportation
    g. Board Training/Workshops
    h. Community and School Activities
12. Executive Session:
    a. Personnel issues
    b. Litigation issues
    c. Student issues
13. Student Transfers
14. Adjourn

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- 551.084 Excluding witnesses from a hearing.

This Notice was posted in compliance with the Texas Open Meeting Act on Friday, March 3, 2017, by 6:00 PM.

Debra L. Sikes

Debra L. Sikes, Superintendent
(For the Board of Trustees)

WALNUT BEND INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTICT

Board Minutes

3-7-17 7:18 pm

Present: Hyla Burleson, Randy Clark, Virginia McNairn, Roxi Castillo, and Supt. Debra Sikes

Absent: Raegan Clark, Robert Morrison, and Crystal Johnson

1. Call to Order: Randy Clark
2. Invocation: Virginia McNairn
3. Pledge to the Flag: All
4. No audience
5. Motion by Roxi Castillo to approve the minutes of February 13th and February 21, 2017. Second by Hyla Burleson; all voted in favor.
6. Motion to pay the bills by Hyla Burleson. Second by Roxi Castillo; all voted in favor.
7. Motion made by Virginia McNairn to accept the bid for roof repairs and application of an elastomeric coating from Guaranteed Roofing. Second by Roxi Castillo; all voted in favor.
   Supt. Sikes will discuss repair of the front office ceiling as well as a window placement in the superintendent's office and the installation of a separate air conditioning system for that area with the contractor.
8. First Reading of Board Policy Update 107 accomplished.
9. Voting for Region 11Board of Directors accomplished.
10. No action following discussion of Media Honor Roll.
11. Superintendent's report:
    a. enrollment: 75
    b. Finances reviewed, funds available: $1,061,884.96. The possibility of moving addition funds into saving was discussed, no action taken.
    c. $21.67 collected in delinquent taxes.
    d. Benchmark results reviewed.
    e. facilities: discussed in Agenda Item 7
    f. Thomas bus sold through Renee Auction for $2,700., less $202.50 commission, netting $2,497.50.
    g. No action regarding Board Training.
    h. A calendar of school and community actives through the end of school was discussed.
12. No executive session.
13. No student transfers.
14. No additional business. Adjournment: 9:05

R J Clark 4-11-17

President Date

Virginia McNairn

Secretary

Walnut Bend Independent School District

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Notice of Emergency Meeting
Board of Trustees
Walnut Bend Independent School District
Meeting: February 21, 2017
Posted: February 21, 2017

AGENDA

An emergency meeting of The Board of Trustees of the Walnut Bend Independent School District will be held on Monday, February 21, 2017, beginning at 7:00 PM in the Board Room of the Walnut Bend ISD at 47 CR 198, Walnut Bend, Texas.

The subjects to be discussed or considered, or upon which any formal action may be taken. are listed below. Items do not have to be taken in the same order as shown on this meeting notice.

1. Call Meeting to Order and Declaration of Quorum
2. Invocation
3. Pledge to the Flags
4. Public Comments
5. Executive Session:
    a. Personnel issues
    b. Litigation issues
6. Adjourn

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This Notice was posted in compliance with the Texas Open Meeting Act on February 21, 2017, by 5:00 PM.

Debra L. Sikes

Debra L. Sikes, Superintendent
(For the Board of Trustees)

WALNUT BEND INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

Board Minutes

February 21, 2017

Emergency Session Called for Clarification of Motion Passed February 13, 2017

Present: Crystal Johnson, Hyla Burleson, Bobby Morrison, Roxi Castillo, Virginia McNairn, Raegan Clark, Randy Clark, and Supt. Debra Sikes

1. Call to Order and Declaration of Quorum: Randy Clark
2. Invocation: Virginia McNairn
3. Pledge to the American Flag: All
4. No audience
5. **Executive session began at 7:08, returning to open session at 8:35.**

Hyla Burleson made a motion that salary for the position of Office Assistance held by Christy Clark be $28,404.00 annually effective March 1st with the $7,000.00 for bus driving over and above this amount. A 90-day probation period still exists with 30-day reviews, 3 days suspension with pay, as well as the removal of all financial responsibilities. Duties will be adjusted as determined by Supt. Sikes and additional clerical duties divided with Randi Cory. Second by Crystal Johnson; voting in favor: Virginia McNairn, Hyla Burleson, Crystal Johnson, and Bobby Morrison. Abstaining: Randy Clark , Roxi Castillo and Raegan Clark. Motion carried.

6. No additional business; adjournment: 8:40

Randy Clark — 3-7-17

President — Date

Virginia McNairn

Secretary

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Notice of Regular Meeting
Board of Trustees
Walnut Bend Independent School District
Meeting: February 13, 2017
Posted: February 10, 2017

AGENDA

A Regular meeting of The Board of Trustees of the Walnut Bend Independent School District will be held on Monday, February 13, 2017, beginning at 7:00 PM in the Board Room of the Walnut Bend ISD at 47 CR 198, Walnut Bend, Texas.

The subjects to be discussed or considered, or upon which any formal action may be taken. are listed below. Items do not have to be taken in the same order as shown on this meeting notice.

1. Call Meeting to Order and Declaration of Quorum
2. Invocation
3. Pledge to the Flags
4. Public Comments
5. Review and Action on Roof Repairs
6. Review and Action on Minutes from the January 23, 2017
7. Review and Action on Financials/Bills
8. Review and Action on Travel Expense Rate
9. Review and Action on Check Signatures
10. Review and Action on Approval for Early Release
11. Superintendent's Report
    a. Enrollment
    b. Financial Report
    c. Jim Roberson Tax Collections:
    d. Facilities
    e. Community and School Activities
12. Executive Session:
    a. Personnel issues
    b. Litigation issues
    c. Student issues
13. Adjourn

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Debra L. Sikes

Debra L. Sikes, Superintendent
(For the Board of Trustees)

WALNUT BEND INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

Board Minutes

February 13, 2017

Present: Randy Clark, Hyla Burleson, Roxi Castillo (arrived at 7:18), Virginia McNairn, Bobby Morrison (arrived at 7:08), Crystal Johnson, and Supt. Debra Sikes

Absent: Raegan Clark

1. Call to Order: Randy Clark (7:03)
2. Pledge to the American Flag: All
3. Invocation: Virginia McNairn
4. No audience
5. Decision on roof repairs was postponed to another date.
6. Motion to approve minutes of January 23, 2017 was made by Crystal Johnson. Second by Roxi Castillo; all voted in favor.
7. Due to current problems with our accounting system, bills are unavailable. Motion made by Hyla Burleson to approve the authorization of 2 (authorized) persons to sign the standard bills as checks become available without calling a special meeting. Second by Crystal Johnson; all voted in favor.
8. Travel Expense will be reviewed at a later date. Present reimbursement remains the same. Lodging and meals are reimbursed in full at a reasonable cost with receipts; gas mileage remains the same.
9. Check signatures need additional attention; bank signature sheets should be available in March.
10. Motion made by Virginia McNairn to approve early release dates as noted in the calendar. Second by Hyla Burleson; all voted in favor.
11. Superintendent's report:
    a. Enrollment: 75
    b. Finances reviewed, funds available: $1,061,884.96
    c. Delinquent tax collection: $259.95
    d. The check for roof damages was received.
    e. School activities were not discussed.
12. **Executive session called at 9:23; returned to open session at 11:33.**
    a. Motion made by Roxi Castillo that the title of Office Manager held by Christy Clark be changed to Office Assistant with an adjustment in salary to $28, 404.00 for any duties performed for the school, three days suspension with pay, 90 day probation with a review every 30 days and all monetary responsibilities be removed from said position. Second by Hyla Burleson; voting in favor, Roxi Castillo, Hyla Burleson, Crystal Johnson, Virginia McNairn, and Bobby Morrison. Abstaining: Randy Clark. Motion carried.
    b. No litigation issues.
    c. Student Issues. A 9th grade student living in the district was refused a transfer to other districts, leaving his education the responsibility of Walnut Bend ISD. Supt. Sikes located an on line high school program accepting students at any time. Cost is normally $1,900.00 one-time fee for all 4 years. (Currently a $400.00 reduction exists for a short time only.) Consensus was that this solution be presented to the family of said student.

13. No additional business: Adjournment: 11: 41

R L Clark — 3-7-17

President — Date

Virginia McNairn

Secretary

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Notice of Regular Meeting
Board of Trustees
Walnut Bend Independent School District
Posted: January 20, 2017

AGENDA

A Regular meeting of The Board of Trustees of the Walnut Bend Independent School District will be held on Tuesday, January 24, 2017, beginning at 7:00 PM in the Auditorium of the Walnut Bend ISD at 47 CR 198, Walnut Bend, Texas.

The subjects to be discussed or considered, or upon which any formal action may be taken. are listed below. Items do not have to be taken in the same order as shown on this meeting notice.

1. Call Meeting to Order and Declaration of Quorum
2. Invocation
3. Pledge to the Flags
4. Public Comments
5. Board Recognition
6. Review and Action on the 2015-2016 School Year Audit
7. Review and Action on Insurance Payment for Hail Damage
8. Review and Action on Roof Repairs
9. Review and Action on Minutes from the December 12, 2016
10. Review and Action on Financials/Bills
11. Review and Action on Policy Update 106, affecting policy EHBAF (LOCAL): SPECIAL EDUCATION—VIDEO/AUDIO MONITORING
12. Review and Action on Resolution for A-F Grading System
13. Superintendent's Report
    a. Enrollment
    b. Financial Report
    c. Jim Roberson Tax Collection
    d. Transportation
    e. Facilities
    f. Technology
    g. Community and School Activities
14. Executive Session:
    a. Personnel issues
        i. Superintendent Review
    b. Litigation issues
    c. Student issues
15. Review and Action on Student Transfers.
16. Adjourn

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Debra L. Sikes

Debra L. Sikes, Superintendent
(For the Board of Trustees)

WALNUT BEND INDEPENTENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

Board Minutes

January 24, 2017

PRESENT: Randy Clark, Hyla Burleson, Crystal Johnson, Roxi Castillo, Virginia McNairn, and Supt. Sikes. Robert Morrison arrived at 7:25 and left at 10:00. Judy Smith with Schalk & Smith and Jessy Smith and Jeremy Luna with Avenger Roofing were present.

Absent: Raegan Clark

1. Call to Order and Declaration of Quorum: Randy Clark
2. Invocation: Virginia McNairn
3. Pledge to the American Flag: All
4. No audience
5. Board Recognition: Student made numerous handmade "Thank You" notes to Board Members along with small bags of chocolate kisses.
6. Judy Schalk presented audit results, noting several items that needed attention, some of which were noted the previous year without correction. Motion made by Virginia McNairn to accept the audit. Second by Hyla Burleson; all voted in favor. Following the presentation, Ms. Smith left the school.
7. Motion made by Virginia McNairn to accept the $100,000.00 insurance reimbursement for roof damage. Adjustors maintained that hail damage was of a cosmetic nature only and did not attribute to roof leakage. Second by Hyla Burleson; all voted in favor.
8. Jessy Smith and Jeremy Luna presented information on their company, Avenger Roofing in regard to repairing the roof. The men left following a time of questions and answers. No action was taken; matter will be considered at the February meeting.
9. Motion made by Hyla Burleson to approve the minutes of December 13, 2016. Second by Roxi Castillo; all voted in favor.
10. Action could not be taken on Financials/Bills due to the unavailability of needed information from the local office.
11. Motion made by Hyla Burleson to add, change, delete as necessary to adopt Policy Update 106, affecting EHBAF (LOCAL): SPECIAL EDUCATION-VIDEO/AUDIO MONITORING. Second by Roxi Castillo; all voted in favor.
12. Motion made by Virginia McNairn to join in a resolution objecting to an A-F Grading System. Second by Hyla Burleson; all voted in favor.
13. Superintendent's Report:
    a. Enrollment: 76
    b. Bank balances were reviewed. Fund balance: $1,088,007.44. Other than the annual audit, no additional financial data was available from the local office.
    c. $81.30 in delinquent taxes were collected.
    d. New mini bus is in service and affords more flexibility in transportation needs.
    e. In addition to the roof, window blinds are in need of replacement. This will be accomplished over a 3 year time span. The most tattered ones will be replaced first.
    f. Region 11 is working with staff to resolve minor issues. New equipment will be reviewed on a case-by-case basis.

g. actives for the coming period: ball games 1/23 and 27 and a mid-winder conference in Austin from 1/28-2/1

14. **Executive Session for the purpose of discussing financial data problem and superintendent evaluation began at 9:14 with a return to open session at 10:18.**
    The consensus was that the evaluation form would be presented in February. Due to the short amount of time Supt. Sikes has been at Walnut Bend the evaluation will be less formal than usual.
15. No student transfers.

Due to Valentine Day the meeting will be held on Monday, February 13 in lieu of the 14th.

16. No additional business; adjournment: 10:28

R J Clark — President

2-13-17 — Date

Virginia McMann — Secretary

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BOARD OF TRUSTEES
WALNUT BEND INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

Resolution
Concerning the A-F Accountability Rating System for Texas Public Schools

STATE OF TEXAS §
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WHEREAS, the Texas Legislature has enacted legislation that requires the Commissioner of Education to implement a public school rating system that would assign A through F grades to schools and districts beginning with the 2017-18 school year; and

WHEREAS, at least 16 states have implemented a similar rating system utilizing A through F grades for schools and districts and, to date, there is no definitive research that suggests these ratings have improved student or school performance; and

WHEREAS, in a recent statewide survey conducted by the State Board of Education, an overwhelming majority of Texans do not want high-stakes, standardized test scores to serve as the primary basis for a public school rating system; and

WHEREAS, the majority (55%) of the A through F grades are based on the State of Texas Assessment of Academic Readiness (STAAR), a high-stakes, standardized test that does not accurately measure student learning; and

WHEREAS, the STAAR provides little meaningful information to guide student learning, inform teachers or report academic progress to parents; and

WHEREAS, the Commissioner's proposed rating system utilizing A through F grades for schools and districts includes five domains and numerous unrelated indicators to determine a single grade, leaving the public with an invalid, disconnected reflection of school quality; and

WHEREAS, the Commissioner's proposed rating system utilizing A through F grades for schools, and districts creates a false impression about students, ignores the unique strengths of each school, and unfairly reduces each student's worth to the school's assigned grade; and

WHEREAS, we believe in the tenets set out in *Creating a New Vision for Public Education in Texas* (TASA, 2008) and our goal is to transform education in Walnut Bend ISD in accordance with these tenets; and

WHEREAS, we embrace meaningful accountability that informs students, parents, and teachers about the learning needs of each student and each school; and

WHEREAS, we believe our state's future prosperity relies on a high-quality education system that prepares students for college and careers, and without such a system Texas' economic competitiveness and ability to attract new business will falter; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Walnut Bend ISD Board of Trustees calls on the Texas Legislature to repeal the rating system utilizing A through F grades for schools and districts and develop a community-based accountability system that empowers school districts to design their own internal systems of assessment and accountability that, while meeting general state standards, allows districts to innovate and customize curriculum and instruction to meet the needs and interests of each student and their communities; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that this new system should reduce the use of high-stakes, standardized tests, encompass multiple assessments, reflect greater validity, and, more accurately reflect what students know and can do in terms of the rigorous standards. As public schools, it is our primary role to educate the whole child and prepare each for a productive future.

PASSED AND APPROVED on this 24th day of January, 2016

By: Roxi Castillo

Name: Roxan Castillo

Title: School Board Member

By: Randy Clark

Name: Randy Clark

Title: President

By: H. Burlson

Name: Hylo Burlson

Title: Vice President

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By: Virginia McNairn

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Title: Secretary

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Name:

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By: _____

Name: Robert Morrison

Title School Board Member

Walnut Bend Independent School District

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Notice of Regular Meeting
Board of Trustees
Walnut Bend Independent School District
Posted: December 9, 2016

AGENDA

A Regular meeting of The Board of Trustees of the Walnut Bend Independent School District will be held on Tuesday, December 13, 2016, beginning at 7:00 PM in the Auditorium of the Walnut Bend ISD at 47 CR 198, Walnut Bend, Texas.

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1. Call Meeting to Order and Declaration of Quorum
2. Invocation
3. Pledge to the Flags
4. Public Comments
5. Student Recognitions
6. Review and Action on Minutes from the September 13, 2016; November 8, 2016; and November 29, 2016 Board Meetings
7. Review and Action on Financials/Bills
8. Review and Action on Extra Duty Pay for Staff
9. Review and Action on Date of January Board Meeting
10. Review Board Goals
11. Superintendent's Report
    a. Enrollment
    b. Financial Report
    c. Student Progress
    d. Transportation
    e. Facilities
    f. PEG Status
    g. Community and School Activities
12. Executive Session:
    a. Personnel issues
    b. Litigation issues
    c. Student issues
13. Review and Action on Student Transfers.
14. Consider Personnel
15. Adjourn

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Debra L. Sikes

Debra L. Sikes, Superintendent
(For the Board of Trustees)

WALNUT BEND INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

Board Meeting

12/13/2016

Present: Randy Clark, Raegan Clark, Crystal Johnson, Roxi Castillo, Virginia McNairn, and Supt.

Absent Robert Morrison and Hyla Burleson

1. Call to Order: Randy Clark
2. Invocation: Virginia McNairn
3. Pledge to the Flag: All
4. A large number of parents and students in attendance for the NTIL Academic Completion Academic Certificates.
5. Supt. Sikes recognized and presented certificates to several students for academic achievement. Parents and students were invited to remain for the business meeting but elected to leave.
6. Motion made to approve minutes of September 13, November 8, and 29, 2016 by Raegan Clark. Second by Roxi Castillo: all voted in favor.
7. Motion made by Reagan Clark to pay the bills. Second by Crystal Johnson; all voted in favor.
8. Motion made by Raegan Clark to award $250.00 extra duties pay to all staff members before the Christmas Break. Second by Roxi Castillo; all voted in favor.
9. Motion made by Raegan Clark to schedule January 24, 2017 as the next board meeting. Second by Crystal Johnson; all voted in favor. Change necessary to allow time after the Holiday to organize needed data for the meeting.
10. School goals were discussed with no changes deemed necessary to said goals. Supt. Sikes will organize steps of achievement to obtain those goals.
11. Superintendent's Report
    a. Enrollment: 76
    b. Bank balances, savings, revenues, and expenditures were discussed. Funds available: $1,086,282.93 Delinquent Taxes collected: $2,362.66
    c. Several students are currently receiving tutorials by classroom teachers due to the lack of progress. In depth review of each student's need to determine additional steps necessary to assist students in achieving academic success.
    d. New 14 passenger bus will not be delivered until Jan.13th. The Special Ed. Co-op has loaned the district a small bus in the interim. Dennis Perry has expressed an interest in driving for the district. However, due to an upcoming surgery that consideration has been postponed.
    e. We are waiting for a report from the engineer sent by The Insurance Company to examine roof damage. The roof leaks when we experience heavy rains; roofing contractor is waiting on our insurance response prior to moving forward with repairs.
    f. Notification received that we are on the Public Education Grand (PEC) due to academic failure in 2 of the preceding 3 years in science as reflected in the STAAR. Additional information will be forth coming.
    g. Community and School activities:
    December 15th- Christmas play and dinner at 6:00
    December 16Th-Early Release at 12:45
    December 19 – January 3 – Christmas Break

12. No executive session needed
13. No student transfers
14. No personal issues
15. No additional business

Adjournment: 8:51

R L Clark — 4-18-17

President — Date

Virginia McNairn

Secretary

Walnut Bend Independent School District

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Notice of Regular Meeting
Board of Trustees
Walnut Bend Independent School District
Posted: November 18, 2016

AGENDA

A Special meeting of The Board of Trustees of the Walnut Bend Independent School District will be held on Tuesday, November 29, 2016, beginning at 7:00 PM in the Library of the Walnut Bend ISD at 47 CR 198, Walnut Bend, Texas.

The subjects to be discussed or considered or upon which any formal action may be taken are listed below. Items do not have to be taken in the same order as shown on this meeting notice.

1. Call Meeting to Order and Declaration of Quorum
2. Invocation
3. Pledge to the Flags
4. Public Comments
5. Review of Board Training Requirements
6. Team of 8 Training
7. Executive Session:
    a. Personnel issues
8. Review and Action on Student Transfers
9. Adjourn

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Debra L. Sikes

Debra L. Sikes, Superintendent
(For the Board of Trustees)

WALNUT BEND INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

Board Minutes – Special Session

November 29, 2016

Present: Randy Clark, Hyla Burleson, Robert Morrison, Raegan Clark, Roxi Castillo, Virginia McNairn, Debra Sikes, and Phillip Newton. (Mr. Newton left upon completion of Team of Eight Training – "Rolls and Responsibilities.")

Absent: Crystal Johnson

1. Call to Order and Declaration of Quorum: Randy Clark
2. Invocation: Virginia McNairn
3. Pledge to the Flag: All
4. No audience.
5. With the exception of Roxi Castillo, board members have undergone no training this year.
6. Team of Eight Training presented by Philip Newton.
7. **Executive Session called at 8:48 to discuss personnel issues; returned to open session at 9:38. An emergency situation was declared due to the inability to hire a qualified bus driver.**
   Motion made by Virginia McNairn to buy a new Collins DH400 (short) 2015 bus (does not require the same driver's permit as a long bus) for $53,814.00 including delivery. Second by Raegan Clark; all voted in favor.
8. No student transfers.
9. No additional business; adjournment: 9:52

R J Clark — 12-13-16

President — Date

Virginia McNairn

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Notice of Regular Meeting
Board of Trustees
Walnut Bend Independent School District
Posted: November 4, 2016

AGENDA

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1. Call Meeting to Order and Declaration of Quorum
2. Invocation
3. Pledge to the Flags
4. Public Comments
5. Presentation by TCOG and Action on Mitigation Planning Team MOU
6. Review and Action on September 13, 2016 Board Minutes.
7. Review and Action on Financials/Bills
8. Review and Action on changes in Local Board Policy
9. Superintendent's Report
    a. Student Recognitions
    b. Enrollment
    c. Financial Report – School Financial Integrity Rating System of Texas (FIRST) Report
    d. Transportation
    e. Facilities
10. Executive Session:
    a. Personnel issues
    b. Litigation issues
    c. Student issues
11. Review and Action on Student Transfers.
12. Consider Personnel.
13. Adjourn

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Debra L. Sikes

Debra L. Sikes, Superintendent
(For the Board of Trustees)

WALNUT BEND INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

Board Minutes

November 8, 2016

Present: Randy Clark, Robert Morrison, Roxi Castillo, Virginia McNairn, and Debra Sikes

Absent: Crystal Johnson, Hyla Burleson, and Raegan Clark

1. Call to Order and Declaration of Quorum: Randy Clark
2. Invocation: Virginia McNairn
3. Pledge to the Flag: All
4. No audience in attendance
5. Roxi Castillo made the motion to accept the Action on Mitigation Planning Team MOU. Second by Robert Morrison: all voted in favor.
6. October 11, 2016 minutes were unavailable; expect to be presented in December.
7. Motion made by Roxi Castillo to pay the bills. Second by Robert Morrison; all voted in favor.
8. Motion made by Virginia McNairn to add, delete, or change local policy to reflect changes necessary in State Update 105. Second by Roxi Castillo; all voted in favor.
9. Superintendent's Report
   a. No student recognitions
   b. Enrollment: 73
   c. Bank balances, tax deposits, investment update, revenues, and expenditures reviewed. Fund balance: $1,090,258.26
   d. Repairs on the buses and Suburban are underway.
   e. A contractor and the insurance company have looked at the leak in the roof. Determination of a solution and insurance reimbursement is ongoing.
10. No executive Session.
11. Motion made By Roxi Castillo to approve the transfer application from Nayvalli Guajardo. Second by Virginia McNairn; all voted in favor.
12. No personnel considerations.
13. No additional business. Adjournment: 8:20

Randy Clark — 12-13-16

President — Date

Virginia McNairn

Secretary

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Notice of Regular Meeting
Board of Trustees
Walnut Bend Independent School District
Posted: October 7, 2016

AGENDA

A Regular meeting of The Board of Trustees of the Walnut Bend Independent School District will be held on Tuesday, October 11, 2016 beginning at 7:00 PM in the Library of the Walnut Bend ISD at 47 CR 198, Walnut Bend, Texas.

The subjects to be discussed or considered or upon which any formal action may be taken are listed below. Items do not have to be taken in the same order as shown on this meeting notice.

1. Call Meeting to Order and Declaration of Quorum
2. Invocation
3. Pledge to the Flags
4. Public Comments
5. Review and Action on September 13, 2016 Board Minutes.
6. Review and Action on Financials/Bills/Bank Signature Cards
7. Discuss and Action on RTI assistance
8. Discuss and Action on change to School Calendar
9. Superintendent's Report
    a. Student Recognitions
    b. Enrollment
    c. Financial Report
    d. Transportation
    e. Facilities
    f. Texoma Council of Governments
10. Executive Session:
    a. Personnel issues
    b. Litigation issues
    c. Student issues
11. Review and Action on Student Transfers.
12. Consider Personnel.
13. Adjourn

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Debra L. Sikes

Debra L. Sikes, Superintendent
(For the Board of Trustees)

Walnut Bend Independent School District

Board Minutes
October 11, 2016

Present: Randy Clark, Roxi Castillo, Hyla Burleson, Raegan Clark and Debra Sikes
Absent: Crystal Johnson, Robert Morrison, Virginia McNairm

1. Call Meeting to Order and Declaration of Quorum: Randy Clark at 7:31
2. Invocation: Deb Sikes
3. Pledge to the Flags: All
4. No audience in attendance
5. Reviewed September 13, 2016 Board Minutes: Hyla made a motion to accept the minutes and Roxi seconded. All voted in favor
6. Reviewed Financials/Bills/Bank Signature Cards: Motion by Hyla and seconded by Roxi to pay the bills after some discussion on specific items
7. Reviewed student data which showed large gaps in student learning in some instances. Superintendent recommended we provide Response to Intervention Assistance for the students who are 2 years or more behind. This would require an additional paraprofessional. The board agreed to do this if the superintendent finds the money in the budget to accomplish this.
8. Board approved change in calendar to reflect ½ day in November instead of October due to the change in the Fall Festival.
9. Superintendent's Report
    a. Student Recognitions
    b. Enrollment
    c. Financial Report
    d. Transportation: Looked at the possibility of purchasing a mini bus to use for local transportation, transporting high school students, and for use in sporting events.
    e. Facilities: Discussed leaks in the roof. Mrs. Sikes will have a roofing contracting check into the situation.
    f. Texoma Council of Govts: Discussed having TCOG come to our next meeting to discuss a grant partnership that could help with the safety of our students during natural hazards.
10. Executive Session: Ended regular meeting at 9:03 to go into executive session to discuss personnel issues.
    a. Personnel issues
    b. Litigation issues
    c. Student issues
11. Returned from executive session at 9:20.
12. Review and Action on Student Transfers.
13. Consider Personnel: Board agreed to allow Randi Cory voluntarily assist with our basketball program. Board requested a policy for stipends be created and put in place for all extra duty functions.
14. Adjourn: Meeting adjourned at 9:35

R L Clark
President

12-13-16
Date

Virginia McNairm
Secretary

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Notice of Regular Meeting
Board of Trustees
Walnut Bend Independent School District
September 13, 2016
Posted on or before 3:00 PM September 9, 2016

AGENDA

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1. Call Meeting to Order and Declaration of Quorum
2. Invocation
3. Pledge to the Flags
4. Public Comments
5. Review and Action on August 9, 11, 15, 16, 17, and 23 2016 Board Minutes.
6. Review and Action on Financial and Bills.
7. Review and Action in adding stand-alone AC unit to Business Managers office.
8. Order cancellation of November 8, 2016 election
9. Review and Action on Resolution for 4-H Extracurricular Activities and Adjunct Faculty
10. Superintendent Report
    a. Enrollment
    b. Jim Roberson Tax Collection
    c. Financial Report
        i. Bank Balances
        ii. Tax Deposits
        iii. Investment Update
        iv. Fund Balance
        v. Revenues and Expenditures
    d. Community and School Activities
    e. Saint Jo ISD Board Training – Friday, October 7, 2016 8:00 – 4:00

11. Executive Session:
    a. Personnel issues
    b. New Superintendent Contract
    c. Litigation issues
    d. Student issues
12. Review and Action of student transfers for 2016 - 2017.

13. Adjourn

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Philip L. Newton, Interim Superintendent
(For the Board of Trustees)

WALNUT BEND INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISRTICT

September 13, 2016 7:00 pm

Board Minutes

Present: Hyla Burleson, Randy Clark, Roxi Castillo, Virginia McNairn, Debra Sikes, and Phil Newton; Robert Morrison arrived at 8:00

Absent: Crystal Johnson and Raegan Clark

1. Call to Order and Declaration of Quorum: Randy Clark
2. Invocation: Virginia McNairn
3. Pledge to the American Flag: All
4. No audience in attendance.
5. Motion made by Hyla Burleson to approve the minutes for August 9, 11, 15, 16, 17, and 23, 2016. Second by Roxi Castillo; all voted in favor.

A brief recess was called to allow the Business Manager to complete closing the accounting year of 2015-16. The Walnut Bend Water meeting was held during this time. (7: 10 -7:19.)

6. Motion made by Roxi Castillo to pay the bills. Second by Hyla Burleson; all voted in favor.
7. No action taken on purchasing a stand-alone AC unit for the B. Office until more information is available.
8. In consideration of no contested positions, motion made by Virginia McNairn to cancel the November 08, 2016 election for trustees of the school district. Second by Roxi Castillo; all voted in favor.
9. Motion made by Virginia McNairn to adopt The Resolution for 4-H Extracurricular and Adjunct Faculty. Second by Roxi Castillo; all voted in favor. Said resolution allows any student involved in certain related 4-H actives during the school day to be considered present for the day.
10. Superintendent Report:
    a. No delinquent taxes collected
    b. Bank balances, tax deposits, investments, revenues were discussed. Funds available: $905,699.00 Scholarships not included.

    Mrs. Debra Sikes, as superintendent, will be added to all bank accounts.
11. **Executive session called at 8:02; returned to open session at 8:28**
12. There were no student transfers.
13. No additional business Adjournment: 8:30

President _____ Date 12-13-16

Secretary Virginia McNairn