



BOARD REPORT

BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING November 11, 2019

The Brownwood ISD (BISD) Board of Trustees met for a regular session meeting on Monday, November 11, 2019 at 6:30 p.m. The session was called to order by Board President, Michael Cloy. Coggin Avenue Baptist Church Discipleship Pastor, Daniel Attaway, gave the invocation. East Elementary third grade students, Stone Bishop, Jackson Clark, and Ella Kruschke led the Pledge of Allegiance. East Elementary music teacher, Jennifer Gwathmey, led third grade students as they performed a song in honor of Veterans Day.

INSTRUCTIONAL FOCUS

BISD Superintendent, Dr. Joe Young, presented the Instructional Focus update. Dr. Young highlighted increased student participation in advanced BHS classes including Pre-AP, AP, Dual Credit, and Dual Enrollment courses over the last four years. Courses and programs that are new this year include OnRamps Algebra 2, Computer Science, Robotics, Lifetime Nutrition and Wellness, Principals of Technology, Veterinary Medicine, Welding, Advanced Floral, Graphic Design, AP Music Theory and Music Production. Dr. Young noted that the additional offerings give students more opportunities and enrollment in these advanced courses have increased from 156 students in 2016 to 500 students in 2019.

RECOGNITIONS

The following groups and individuals were recognized by BISD and were presented with certificates highlighting their achievements.



BISD Spotlight Teachers and Staff:

The Brownwood ISD Spotlight recognizes members of the BISD faculty and staff who go the extra mile to ensure excellence in education for all our students. Spotlight recipients are chosen from peer nominations. November 2019 honorees were East Elementary second grade teacher, Kaitlin Leslie, and Coggin Intermediate School counselor, Kerri Jacobson. Spotlight honorees are pictured with BISD Trustee, Dr. Lisa Fowler, East Elementary

Principal, Dee Dee Wright, and Coggin Intermediate School Principal, Stacy Loftin.

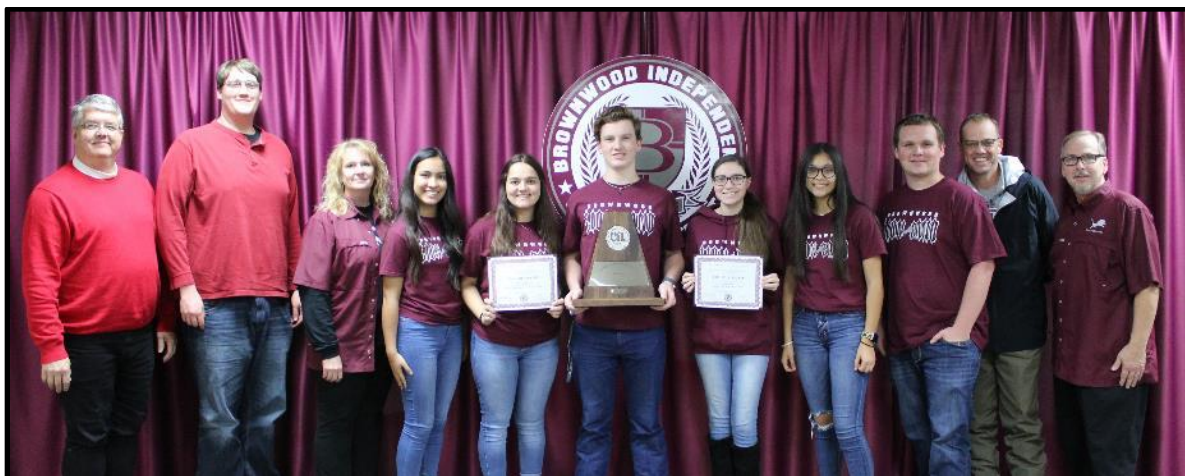
BHS Cross Country Regional Qualifiers:

Brownwood High School (BHS) Cross Country Regional Qualifiers, Darby Crysler, Watts Jones, Naysa Leach, Carol Ann Hetzel, Jadie Sudderth, Kinnison Harvey, and Jazmine Rivas were recognized for their accomplishments. Three regional qualifiers are pictured below with BISD Trustee, Dr. Lisa Fowler, Coach Chesney Neely, and BHS Principal, Mitch Moore.



BHS Band:

The BHS Band was recognized for their accomplishments earning 1st place at the Mineral Wells Marching Band Festival and 1st Division at the Region 7 UIL Marching Contest. Pictured below are BHS Band students along with BISD Trustee, Eric Evans, Assistant Band Director, William Massey, BHS Principal, Mitch Moore, and Band Directors, David and Leslie Lambert.



BHS Choir Students – All Region Choir:

Fifteen BHS Choir students selected for the 2019 All Region Choir were recognized. Students that qualified for the All Region Choir were Alex Minchey, James Williams, Jonathan Woods, Parish White, Kaleb Hill, Seth Adkins, Dustin Rind, Tyler Hashberger, Alette Moya, Clair Clayton, Kate Yantis, Carlee Richardson, Torie Lepp, Jordan Roberts, and Hannah Bessent. BHS All Region Choir qualifiers are pictured below along with BISD Trustee, Eric Evans, BHS Principal, Mitch Moore, and BHS Choir Director, Jennifer Reeves.



Watch D.O.G.S. (Dads of Great Students) Program at Northwest Elementary & Coggin Intermediate School:

Representatives for the Watch D.O.G.S. programs at Northwest Elementary and Coggin Intermediate School were recognized for participating in this initiative which provides positive male role models to enhance school security and reduce bullying. Pictured are BISD Trustee, Diane Thompson along with Northwest Elementary Assistant Principal, Bucky Bates, Watch D.O.G.S. representatives, Daniel Aquirre and Daniel Hutson, and Coggin Intermediate School Principal, Stacy Loftin.



Woodland Heights Elementary Parent Volunteers:

Parent volunteers, John Barnum and Aldo Salazar, were recognized for their help installing the new Pre-K playground at Woodland Heights Elementary. Pictured below are the volunteers along with Woodland Heights Elementary Principal, Jeanette Lancaster, and BISD Board President, Michael Cloy.



SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Dr. Young provided information regarding the formation of a Safety and Security Committee, which will include two board members and is a new requirement this year from the Texas legislature. Dr. Young also provided a brief budget summary and House Bill 3 financial update.

DISCUSSION & ACTION ITEMS

DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS

Technology Report: A technology report was provided to the board that gave an overview of the technology within Brownwood ISD as well as an update on technology projects that are taking place in the district. Dr. Young noted that the Technology Department, led by Mark Stanley, currently provides support for 3,742 computing devices. The department continues to offer great service and support for technology throughout the district including rollouts, upgrades, and maintenance on laptops, desktops, ActivBoards, iPads, and security technology.

Gifted & Talented Report: The Gifted & Talented program provided a report that included the number of students in the program at each grade level and campus, as well as other data, initiatives, and goals for the program. It was noted that the Gifted and Talented Showcase is scheduled for February 24, 2020.

School Safety Report: A list of security measures that have been added on each BISD campus was provided. The list noted technology updates and installations including security cameras, door access controls, as well as the new secure vestibule at Northwest Elementary, and the expansion of the Watch D.O.G.S. program, which now includes all elementary campuses. Plans for a new road and point of entry at Northwest Elementary were also among the items listed.

FIRST READING OF TASB-INITIATED BOARD POLICY 114 UPDATE

Update 114 includes revisions to BISD policy (LOCAL) language in various areas including board meetings, public participation, investments, technology resources and more. Details for this and any other TASB-initiated policy updates are available in the Policy Book on the Brownwood ISD website. This was the first reading. Consideration for approval will be presented at the Board of Trustees meeting in December.

CONSIDER APPROVAL OF TARGETED IMPROVEMENT PLANS FOR WOODLAND HEIGHTS ELEMENTARY, COGGIN INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL, BROWNWOOD MIDDLE SCHOOL, AND BROWNWOOD HIGH SCHOOL

Woodland Heights Elementary, Coggin Intermediate School, Brownwood Middle School and Brownwood High School have developed targeted improvement plans to show gaps, root cause, goals, strategies and activities. BISD Trustee, Eric Evans, made a motion to accept the targeted improvement plans as presented. BISD Trustee, Dr. Lisa Fowler seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

CONSENT AGENDA

The following items were listed for consideration on the Consent Agenda.

1. Approval of Additional T-TESS Appraisers
2. Approval of BHS Fundraiser
3. Minutes of October 7, 2019 Board Meeting

BISD Trustee, Dr. Lisa Fowler moved that the Consent Agenda be approved as presented, with Trustee Jacobs seconding the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The following announcements were made for upcoming events:

- Thanksgiving Break – November 25-29, 2019
- Next Regular Meeting – December 9, 2019

EXECUTIVE SESSION

The board moved into executive session at 7:17 p.m. to discuss personnel. They returned to open session at 8:58 p.m. No additional action was needed.

The meeting adjourned at 9:00 p.m.