



BOARD REPORT

BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING

May 14, 2018

The Brownwood ISD (BISD) Board of Trustees met for a regular session meeting on Monday, May 14, 2018 at 6:30 p.m. The session was called to order by BISD Board President Michael Cloy. Father Francis Njoku from St. Mary's Catholic Church gave the invocation. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Brownwood Middle School students Rylah Morgan and Hunter Glass.

RECOGNITIONS

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

SPECIAL OLYMPICS ATHLETES:

Special Olympics Athletes who competed in the Spring Track and Field events were honored for their achievements. Pictured below are the athletes who attended the board meeting, along with BISD Trustee Tim Jacobs:



Above: (left to right) Destiny Nesmith, Addyson Bowmen, Alan Lowe, Titus Holmes, Shali Clark, Alissandra Rodriguez, Brookalan Norway, Kasidee Harvey, Kinnison Harvey, Braylon Harvey, Tim Jacobs

LIFE SKILLS SPONSORS:

Representatives from Covenant Testing Technologies in San Antonio, Texas, were honored for their recent sponsorship of a trip our BISD Life Skills students took to Morgan's Wonderland. Brownwood ISD Trustees thanked the Covenant employees for their generous support of our Life Skills Program. Pictured below are Greg and Angel Miranda, along with BISD Trustee Eric Evans and BISD employee Melissa Edwards:



Above: (left to right) Craig Miranda, Angel Miranda, Kasidee Harvey, Melissa Edwards, Eric Evans

Brownwood Middle School HOSA:

Brownwood Middle school's newly installed chapter of HOSA (HOSA-Future Health Professionals, formerly known as Health Occupations Students of America) had great success at their state competition last month. Pictured below are Aishwarya Nigalya, Taylor Pinckney, and Christopher Robinson, who placed highly in their divisions and will compete further for their HOSA Chapter.



Above: (left to right) Taylor Pinckney, Aishwarya Nigalya, Christopher Robin, HOSA Sponsor and BMS Teacher Kristi Sharpe, Eric Evans

Brownwood Middle School FCCLA:

The Brownwood Middle School chapter of FCCLA (Family, Career and Community Leaders of America) honored students who placed highly at their state competition. Those students are pictured below, along with BISD Trustee Diane Thompson and FCCLA teacher Ann Costa:



Above: (left to right) Diane Thompson, Austin Denison, Mia McCorkle, Kristin Prager, Mya Salazar, Ann Costa

Brownwood High School HOSA:

Brownwood High School's chapter of HOSA also enjoyed great success at their state competition. Numerous HOSA students who placed at the competition are pictured with BISD Trustee Dr. Lisa Fowler and BISD teachers Ann Tew and Annalyn Deen:



Above: (left to right) Dr. Lisa Fowler, Annalyn Deen, Aden Moya, Laurel Glass, James Bautista, Kaitlyn Welch, Tanner Scull, Piper Barberie, Alex Fowler, Audrey Boren, Sarah Reeves, Emily Chapa, Maecy De La Cruz, Mackinley Coppic, Ann Tew

HOSA honors also went to those students who earned their certifications as Certified Nursing Assistants through their HOSA studies. Those students are shown below with BISD Trustee Dr. Lisa Fowler and teacher Annalyn Deen:



Above: (left to right) Dr. Lisa Fowler, Brielle Herrera, Christian Hancock, Jordyn Evilsizer, Juan Zamora, Lorelei Sanchez, Mariah Rodriguez, Annalyn Deen

HOSA students earning their certifications as Pharmacy Technicians were honored. Those students are pictured with BISD Trustee Dr. Lisa Fowler and teacher Ann Tew:



Above: (left to right) Dr. Lisa Fowler, Aden Moya, Abby Oines, Gracie Peters, Rylee Hubbard, Justin Stanley, Tiger Borgin

BHS GIRL'S BASKETBALL:

Brownwood High School athletes Sage Cupps and Mallory Garcia were honored for their accomplishments on the court. Sage Cupps received TGCA All-State, TABC All-Region, District 5-4A Offensive Player of the Year honors, as well as for surpassing 1,000 points in her career. Mallory Garcia received TGCA All-State and TABC ALL-Region honors, as well as for surpassing her 1,000-point mark. Pictured with Sage and Mallory is Brownwood ISD Trustee Eric Evans and Coach Heather Hohertz:



Above: (left to right) Eric Evans, Sage Cupps, Mallory Garcia, Heather Hohertz

BMS BAND:

The Brownwood Middle School band was honored for winning Sweepstakes at the UIL Region 7 Concert and Sight Reading Contest. This sweepstakes win was only the fourth such honor in the BMS band's history. Accepting the honor for the BMS Band were students Rylah Morgan and Hunter Glass, along with BMS Band Teacher Jake Shelton, and BISD Trustee Eric Evans:



Above: (left to right) Eric Evans, Rylah Morgan, Jake Shelton, Hunter Glass

SUPERINTENDENT'S STUDENT ADVISORY CABINET:

Students from Coggin Intermediate, Brownwood Middle School and Brownwood High School who served on the inaugural session of the Superintendent's Student Advisory Cabinet were thanked for their service to the district. Those who attended the board meeting to accept Certificates of Appreciation are shown below with Board of Trustees Member Codie Smith and BISD Superintendent Dr. Joe Young:



Above: (left to right) Codie Smith, Caleb Woodcock, Piper Barberie, Marisol Rodriguez, Branson Cabaniss, Elbijana Thaqi, Dr. Joe Young (Not pictured: Isaac Hall, Peyton Wells, Luke Moss, Brianna Garcia, Blake Brasher, Caden Reagan, Jordan Roberts, Gavin Jefferson, Alisha Patel)

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Dr. Young presented his report, including an update on staffing, given the time of the school year in which position-turnover is at its peak; the recent Site Based Decision Making Committee meeting, wherein GPA calculations for high school students, dress code modifications, and campus security issues were discussed; and traffic flow plans for the upcoming school year at East Elementary. Also presented was his monthly budget report and the May Employee Spotlight report.

DISCUSSION & ACTION ITEMS

DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS:

Special Education: Mr. Ben Runyan prepared a report for the Board, highlighting the scope and achievements of the Special Education Department. This department, which employs 20 teachers and 32 paraprofessionals, serves a population of 343 students, which constitutes 9.48% of the BISD student body. A breakdown of services provided to those students, as well as the goal of the Special Education department was presented. Mr. Runyan highlighted a number of accomplishments in the department in the 2017-18 school year, including student participation in Special Olympics, a Special Needs Prom, and an upcoming summer training session for Special Education faculty and staff known as Summer Blast.

AVID: Ms. Lindsay Smith, Assistant Principal at Brownwood High School, presented a report on the BHS AVID program. AVID focuses on creating a culture of preparation and success for high school students as they transition from public school into post-secondary study or the workforce. Serving approximately 90 students this year, Ms. Smith discussed the plans to grow the program in the 2018-19 school year. An AVID Cardboard Confessions video was presented, highlighting junior and senior students in the program. These students proclaimed their outcomes from participating in the AVID program and their future collegiate plans. All of the eight graduating seniors currently enrolled in AVID have been accepted into and will attend post-secondary schools.

2018-2019 TEACHER SALARY RECOMMENDATIONS:

Dr. Young presented information on proposed salary increases for BISD teachers for the 2018-19 fiscal year. He noted that consideration of salary structures was moved to the May meeting, which differs from the usual August timing of these considerations, given the district's prioritization of teacher pay. Consideration in this meeting was for base pay only, with consideration of benefits to be completed in subsequent meetings. After a discussion of possible budget ramifications of a range of possible salary increase scenarios, the motion was made by BISD Trustee Roderick Jones to approve a 2.5% increase to the midpoint for BISD teachers in 2018-19. Tim Jacobs seconded the motion, which was approved unanimously.

CONSENT AGENDA: One item on the Consent Agenda was approved unanimously as presented, with a motion by Trustee Tim Jacobs and a second by Trustee Lisa Fowler.

- April 9, 2018 Board Meeting Minutes

The board dispensed with an Executive Session in the meeting, given no need for private discussions at this time.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The following announcements were made:

- Baccalaureate – May 20, 2018 at 2:30 p.m. at CABC
- Early Release – May 25, 2018
- End-of-Year Staff Awards – May 25, 2018
- Graduation – May 25, 2018
- Memorial Day Holiday – May 28, 2018
- Staff Development – May 29 – 31, 2018
- Summer Hours – May 29 through August 3, 2018
- Next Board Meeting – June 11, 2018
- SLI Conference, Ft. Worth – June 28 – 30, 2018

The meeting adjourned at 7:33 p.m.