

BOARD REPORT

BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING August 13, 2018

The Brownwood ISD (BISD) Board of Trustees met for a regular session meeting on Monday, August 13, 2018 at 6:30 p.m. The session was called to order by BISD Board President Michael Cloy. Pastor Tom Washburn from Austin Avenue Church of Christ gave the invocation. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Coggin Intermediate Student Kimi Burke.

RECOGNITIONS

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

BMS HOSA:

Brownwood Middle School Student Aishwarya Nigalye was presented a Certificate of Excellence for placing in the Top Ten in the Nutrition Category in the HOSA International Competition this summer. Pictured below is Miss Nigalye with BISD Trustee, Dr. Lisa Fowler.



TEACHING AWARDS:

Ms. Lynette Lewis was recognized as the Elementary Teacher of the Year for Brownwood ISD in 2017-2018. Ms. Lewis is pictured below with BISD Trustee, Dr. Lisa Fowler.



Ms. Lisa Biasiolli was recognized as the Secondary Teacher of the Year for Brownwood ISD in 2017-18 and was our nominee for the TEA Region 15 Secondary Teacher of the Year. Ms. Biasiolli is pictured below with BISD Trustee, Eric Evans.



At the conclusion of recognitions, the Board of Trustees convened into Executive Session at 6:47 pm to discuss personnel and safety measures.

At 7:55 pm, the Board re-convened into Open Session. No action from Executive Session was taken.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Superintendent Dr. Joe Young presented a report detailing Convocation and general welcoming efforts for the 2018-19 school year, as well as current school safety trainings being conducted on each BISD campus. Typical budgeting and staffing reports were noted for the month.

DISCUSSION & ACTION ITEMS

DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS:

Assessment, District and Campus Improvement Plan Reports: Dr. Young presented the Assessment, District and Campus Improvement Plan Reports that were previously emailed to the Trustees for their review.

Quarterly Financial Report: Ms. Kati Burke, BISD Director of Finance, presented the Quarterly Financial Reports for review.

Preliminary Budget: Ms. Burke continued her presentation with an update on the 2018-19 budgetary process. The board was reminded of the upcoming Budget Workshop to be held on Monday, August 20, and the Special Called Meeting of the Board on Thursday, August 30, for final approval of the 2018-19 budget.

Staff Handbook: Dr. Young presented a report on the 2018-19 Staff Handbook, a copy of which was included in this month's Board Book. No major changes to the handbook were included in this year's staff guide.

Athletic Report: BISD Athletic Director Sammy Burnett presented a written report regarding the accomplishments of all BISD athletic teams for the 2017-18 school year, noting that all sports teams for both girls and boys made playoff appearances. The report also detailed sports plans for the upcoming 2018-19 school year.

FIRST READING: TASB-INITIATED POLICY UPDATE 111:

Dr. Young presented Policy 111 Update as promulgated by TASB. These updates match policies that are currently in use by the board but provide clarifying language in particular codes. Dr. Young also noted that mandated training for trustees is included in the language and reported that all BISD Trustees have met their training requirements for the year. This update was presented as a first reading only, with no action on the item scheduled until next month.

FIRST READING: EIC (LOCAL) POLICY UPDATE:

A first reading of EIC (Local) policy update was presented by Dr. Young, with emphasis on language changes regarding grade point averaging for high school students to begin with the incoming 2018-19 freshmen class. This change details the core classes that will be used to calculate overall GPA's for high school students, affecting this year's freshmen class and beyond. Also highlighted were language changes pertaining to honor graduates and the

methods used to recognize them at BHS Graduation. This change was made to better align the language in the policy with the current recognition practices used in graduation ceremonies.

CONSIDER APPROVAL OF DISTRICT IMPROVEMENT PLAN:

Dr. Young presented a plan that incorporates all six of the yearly BISD goals, with objectives and strategies outlined for each. These points align with the superintendent evaluation held in the Team of Eight meeting earlier in the year. Trustee Eric Evans motioned that the District Improvement Plan be approved as presented, with Trustee Dr. Lisa Fowler seconding the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

CONSIDER APPROVAL OF STUDENT CODE OF CONDUCT:

Dr. Young outlined the Student Code of Conduct for the 2018-19 year, noting that no changes from last year's code were made to the plan. Trustee Codie Smith motioned that the Student Code of Conduct be approved as presented, and Trustee Roderick Jones seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

CONSIDER APPROVAL OF PROPOSED TAX RATE FOR PUBLIC NOTICE:

Based on the proposed budget for the 2018-19 school year, Dr. Young recommended a tax rate of \$1.04 for Maintenance and Operations and \$0.1654 for Interest and Sinking Fund, representing a one-cent decrease in the I & S rate. The overall tax rate proposed is thus \$1.2051, down one cent from the previous year's rate. Trustee Fowler motioned that the rate be approved as presented, with Trustee Jones seconding the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

CONSIDER APPROVAL OF DESIGNATING AUGUST 30, 2018, AS THE DATE TO APPROVE THE 2018-19 BUDGET AND TAX RATE:

The date of August 30, 2018, was presented for approval as the date to approve the 2018-19 BISD budget and tax rate. Trustee Smith motioned that this date be approved as presented, with Trustee Fowler seconding the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

CONSIDER APPROVAL OF PUBLIC FUNDS INVESTMENT POLICY RESOLUTION:

Dr. Young presented a resolution regarding the Public Funds Investment Policy. Said resolution contained no changes from last year's policy. Trustee Evans motioned that the policy be approved as presented, with Trustee Jones seconding the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

CONSIDER APPROVAL OF DISTRICT OF INNOVATION TEACHER CERTIFICATION:

Dr. Young presented one contract to be approved under the district's District of Innovation plan. This contract, for Commercial Photography I and II classes, is recommended, after the district conducted the proper procedure for a search of a certified teacher for these courses.

Trustee Evans motioned that the contract be approved as presented, with Trustee Smith seconding the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

CONSIDER APPROVAL OF BHS JANITORIAL CONTRACT FOR 2018-2019:

Dr. Young presented the results of the bid process undertaken for the janitorial contract covering the Brownwood High School campus for the 2018-19 school year. Two bids were received and scored. Based on that process, Trustee Evans moved that the high-scoring applicant, Draco's Janitorial Service, be awarded the bid for the upcoming year. Trustee Jones seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

CONSIDER APPROVAL OF ADULT MEAL PRICE INCREASE FOR 2018-2019:

Based on the performance of the Food Service Excellence nutrition program in the district during the last school year, Dr. Young presented information calling for the maintenance of student lunch prices for the upcoming year. Adult lunch prices need a price increase of \$0.60 per meal. Trustee Evans moved that the adult meal price increase be approved as presented, and Trustee Fowler seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

CONSIDER APPROVAL OF ORDER CALLING FOR BOARD OF TRUSTEE ELECTION TO BE HELD ON NOVEMBER 6, 2018, FOR PLACES 1,3,5,6, AND 7:

Dr. Young detailed the school board election necessary for the year. Because Trustee Codie Smith was appointed to fill an unexpired term of his predecessor, it is mandatory that his seat be included in this election, resulting in a total of five seats for which votes will be cast. The Brown County Elections Office will conduct the election on behalf of the district, and the total cost of the election is estimated at \$3,200. Trustee Evans moved that the election be held at the scheduled date and time as presented, with Trustee Jones seconding the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

CONSENT AGENDA:

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

- 1. APPROVAL OF T-TESS APPRAISER LIST
- 2. APPROVAL OF TEACHER APPRAISAL CALENDAR
- 3. BUDGET AMENDMENTS
- 4. CONTRACT BETWEEN BISD AND MENTAL HEALTH MENTAL REHABILITATION (FORMERLY FAMILY SERVICES CENTER)
- 5. MINTUES FROM MAY 14, 2018 MEETING
- 6. MINUTES FROM JULY 16, 2018 SPECIAL BOARD MEETING

No discussion about these items was necessary. Trustee Evans moved that the Consent Agenda be approved as presented, with Trustee Fowler seconding the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The following announcements were made:

- Budget Workshop Monday, August 20, 2018 at 6:30 pm
- First Day of School Wednesday, August 22, 2018
- Meet the Lions Thursday, August 23, 2018
- Chamber of Commerce Luncheon Friday, August 24, 2018
- Special Board Meeting Thursday, August 30, 2018 at 12:15 pm
- District Closed for Labor Day Holiday Monday, September 3, 2018
- Next Regular Meeting September 10, 2018
- 3rd Annual Lion's Pride Gala Saturday, October 20, 2018

The meeting adjourned at 8:17 p.m.