



# BOARD REPORT

*BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING*  
December 11, 2017

Trustees in attendance: Michael Cloy, Eric Evans, Dr. Lisa Fowler, Tim Jacobs, Brad Jetton, Roderick Jones, and Diane Thompson.

The Brownwood ISD (BISD) Board of Trustees met for a regular session meeting on Monday, December 11, 2017, at 6:30 p.m. BISD Board President Michael Cloy called the meeting to order. Rick Cavitt, Youth Pastor at Coggin Avenue Baptist Church, gave the invocation. East Elementary 3rd graders Brody Byrd, Annalyn Sanchez, and Blake Hutchins led the U.S. pledge.

## **Board Recognitions:**

The Board of Trustees recognized music teachers within the District who applied for and were awarded Texas Music Educators Association grants for classroom instruments and supplies.



**Above:** (left to right) BHS Choir Director, Cindy Franklin; East Elementary Music Teacher, Jennifer Gwathmey; Coggin Intermediate Music Teacher, Kristi Wied; Northwest Elementary Music Teacher, Dean Kiesling; BISD Board of Trustees Member, Eric Evans (Not pictured: Holly Bush)

Northwest Elementary's 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade Music Memory Team was also recognized for their performance at the recent District UIL Meet. This team of students won first place with perfect scores for each student. 3<sup>rd</sup> Grader Kimi Burke was recognized for being 1<sup>st</sup> Place Alternate at the meet, also with a perfect score.



**Above:** (left to right) Northwest Elementary 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade Music Memory Team members, Dezarae Buitron, Levi Moss, Trinity Roberts, Adolfo Torres, Madison Weckerth, Kimi Burke

Mr. Cloy recognized BHS art students of Ms. Kimberly Van Huss and BMS art students of Ms. Julie Mize who displayed original art works on the walls of the meeting room for the audience to view. Mr. Cloy expressed appreciation on behalf of the Board for gifts presented to them made by Mr. Billy Taylor's kindergarten class at Northwest Elementary. The Recognitions portion of the meeting concluded with Christmas carols performed by Mr. Dean Kiesling's 3<sup>rd</sup> grade music class from Northwest Elementary.

## **SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT**

Dr. Young presented his monthly report, including the BISD Financial Report as of November 30, 2017; staffing updates, and accolades for various student groups, including the BMS One Act Play troupe who was recently awarded 1<sup>st</sup> place at the Region UIL meet.

## **DISCUSSION & ACTION ITEMS**

### **AUDIT REPORT**

Mr. Jeromy Stevens, partner with Davis Kinard and Co., presented the results of the 2017 audit report. BISD was awarded an unmodified report, the highest designation available in the standard process and the recognition of full compliance with Generally Accepted Accounting Principles. Mr. Stevens presented highlights from the financial year, including increased fund balance for the district.

### **FIRST REPORT PUBLIC HEARING**

Mr. Tim Jacobs made the motion to open a Public Hearing for the FIRST Report, with Eric Evans seconding the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Ms. Kati Burke then presented the report on the Financial Integrity Rating System for Texas. BISD was awarded a score of 94 on their recent audit, resulting in a Superior rating for the year, as compared to a passing grade of 60. Ms. Burke presented highlights of the report to the Trustees.

### **DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS:**

Career and Technical Education (CTE) Report – Mr. Mitch Moore and Ms. Lindsay Smith presented the annual CTE report. Highlights included details of the five endorsement plans available to BISD students, representing the full gamut of choices available through TEA. From those endorsements, students may also choose 15 career pathways to pursue. Beginning in the 2018-2019 school year, three additional career pathways will be available for students. The goal of providing professional certifications or Associate's degrees within each endorsement was discussed, along with plans to move the curriculum toward that goal.

Maintenance Report – Mr. Justin Felts presented a report on property maintenance within the District. Highlights of projects completed on each campus were presented, along with work completed across the district.

### **DISCUSSION OF FOOD SERVICE RFP, TIMELINE AND CONSIDERATION:**

Dr. Martinez presented the details of the RFP being prepared for the District's food service supplier. A timeline of upcoming deadlines was presented, targeting a February 8, 2018 due date for proposals from companies vying to become the District's food service supplier.

### **ANNOUNCEMENT OF BOARD MEMBER CONTINUING EDUCATION HOURS:**

In compliance with state law, Mr. Cloy announced the continuing education hours completed by each member of the Board of Trustees in the previous year. Mr. Cloy noted that all members exceeded the minimum yearly requirements.

### **CONSIDERATION OF APPROVAL OF TASB POLICY UPDATE 109:**

Dr. Young presented TASB Policy Update 109, as reviewed in the November 2017 board meeting. No changes to the recommended policy were made since that time. Mr. Tim Jacobs motioned for approval of TASB Policy Update 109; Mr. Brad Jetton seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

### **CONSIDERATION OF APPROVAL OF FAMILY SERVICES CENTER CONTRACT:**

Dr. Joe Young presented the Family Services Center contract for the Board's approval. Dr. Young noted that no changes to the contract had been made since the November Trustees meeting, during which the contract was reviewed and discussed. Mr. Tim Jacobs motioned for approval of the contract as presented, with Ms. Diane Thompson seconding the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

### **CONSIDERATION OF APPROVAL OF THE CONSENT AGENDA:**

Dr. Young presented one item for approval through the consent agenda:

- Minutes of November 13, 2017, Board Meeting

Mr. Tim Jacobs moved to approve the Consent Agenda as presented, with Dr. Lisa Fowler seconding the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.

At 7:55 p.m. the Board moved into Executive Session to discuss personnel matters and the Superintendent's Annual Evaluation.

At 10:14 p.m. the Board moved back into General Session, taking no action from the Executive meeting.

The following announcements were presented to the Board:

- Site-Based Decision Making Committee Meeting – December 14, 2017
- Early Release – Friday, December 22, 2017
- Christmas Break – December 25, 2017 – January 8, 2018
- Brown County Youth Fair – January 8 – 13, 2017
- Martin Luther King Holiday – January 15, 2018
- Next Regular Meeting – January 22, 2018

The meeting was adjourned at 10:18 p.m.