

BOARD REPORT

BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING May 8, 2017

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

Trustees absent: Brad Jetton and Diane Thompson

The Brownwood ISD (BISD) Board of Trustees met for a regular session meeting on Monday, May 8, 2017, at 6:30 p.m. BISD Board President Michael Cloy called the meeting to order. Board member Eric Evans gave the invocation. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by BMS students Naysa Leach and Chase Churchwell. BMS students Becca Church, Emma Grace Quillan and Carlee Richardson sang the National Anthem.

RECOGNITIONS

BISD Trustees recognized students from across the District with notable achievements in both academic and extracurricular areas. The Board of Trustees expressed their appreciation for these students who work beyond normal classroom participation to pursue excellence in their areas of interest.

Our Special Olympics athletes from across the district who participated in the Abilene Olympics were honored with Certificates of Excellence.



Photo: Those recognized included (In alphabetical order): Blake Clark, Aaron Grammer, Brittney Gross, Brooke Gross, Brayden Gross, Kasidee Harvey, Titus Holmes, Denny Johnson, Alan Lowe, Destiny Nesmith, Brookalan Norway, Matthew Reams, Alie Rodriquez, Cielo Saucedo, and Brittanie Withers.

The Howard Payne University (HPU) Mentoring program under the direction of HPU Professor Lynn Humeniuk were presented Certificates of Excellence for their work with East Elementary students.



Photo: Those recognized included (In alphabetical order): Jordan Beasley, Jaclyn Bonner, Matthew Gomes, James Hair, Crystal Hernandez, Lynn Humeniuk, Jordan Mays, Daniel Meza, Maria Mireles, Eva Ozuna, Jacob Salazar, Sierra Spruill, Trishawn Townes, and Dezmun Williams.

From the Brownwood High School (BHS) Future Farmers of America (FFA) Program, students who marked recent accomplishments at District and Area FFA meets were honored with Certificates of Excellence.



Photo: Those recognized included (In alphabetical order): Ariawna Burt, Emily Chapa, Emily Chapa, Amy Compean, Santanna Espinoza, Dawson Evans, Dalainy Garza, Trey Guthrie, Austin Haynes, Austin Haynes, Austin Haynes, Kyler Judkins, Hunter Mares, Alyssa Mercer, Jay Monson, Ashlynn Patteson, Trinitee Skelton, Cheyenne Stroope, and Chasity Woodcock.

From the BHS Health Occupation Students of America (HOSA) Program, students who marked recent accomplishments at the State HOSA competition were honored with Certificates of Excellence.



Photo: Those recognized included (In alphabetical order): Elizabeth Aleman Martinez, Hanna Angeles, Emily Chapa, Elizabeth Doreto Zamora, Yuliana Garcia, and Laurel Glass.

From the BHS UIL Academic Competition, students who marked recent accomplishments at District and Area rounds were honored with Certificates of Excellence.



Photo: Those recognized included (In alphabetical order): Logan Dick, Jesse Bennett, Emily Chapa, Macy De La Cruz, Madi Gosch, Aubrie Harris, Ben Johnson, Emely Laura, Alisha Patel, Heather Williams, and Shelby Wilson.

From the BHS UIL One-Act Play troupe, members were honored for accomplishments marked at District, Bi-District, and Area UIL One-Act Play competitions.



Photo: Those recognized included (In alphabetical order): Rachel Arrington, Emily Beane, Sarah Boyette, Sarah Church, Tim Crawford, Mitchel Doud, Madi Gosch, Quade Infinger, Sidney Ivey, Josh Lawson, Lundy Manniger, Reagen Maxfield, Kylee McCoy, Liam McCraw, Mary McIver, Amanda Montalvo, Ethan Perea, Naiyvee Perot, Arianna Rodriquez, Bri Rodriquez, Trisha Russell, Jason Sanchez, Athalie Sandoval, Mariah Solis, Shelby Tervooren, Khloe Tobien, Gilbert Trevino, Jenny Wagner, Hunter Wall, Heather Williams, and Kamrey Windham.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

- Monthly Staffing Report was made, with the Superintendent's comments about the high quality of professionals hired within our system;
- Site-Based Meeting summary was presented, with comments given about the Random Drug Testing policy to be implemented in the upcoming school year;
- Teacher Appreciation week was noted, with scheduled efforts by the BISD Administration and Brownwood Education Foundation mentioned.
- The upcoming holiday of May 15, due to an unused bad weather day, was noted.

DISCUSSION & ACTION ITEMS

DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS:

<u>Special Education Report</u> – Mr. Ben Runyan, BISD Special Education Director, prepared a report for the board summarizing the plans for students of special populations within the District. Of note, the new Life Skills curriculum entitled Unique Learning Systems was highlighted; the Special Olympics participation was commended; and the Board Maker Online program, enhancing communication for special needs students, was discussed.

<u>AVID Program Report</u> – Ms. Liesa Land and Ms. Lindsay Smith presented a synopsis of the AVID program and its impact on BHS students, highlighting college visits, programming notes, and college testing participation rates.

TEACHER SALARY RECOMMENDATIONS: Dr. Young presented a schedule of Teacher Salary steps for consideration and approval by the Board. This plan presents a minimum 2.5% raise based on the mid-point for teachers. Tim Jacobs moved that the proposed salary schedule be approved as presented, with Roderick Jones seconding the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

BIDS FOR SUMMER PARKING LOT PROJECTS: Bids were presented for the two parking lot projects scheduled for the summer months: Northwest Elementary rear parking lot and Coggin Elementary parking lot. Dr. Young recommended approval of the low bids received through sealed bids. Waldrop Construction presented the low bid for the Northwest lot at \$73,972. Russell Construction presented the low bid for the Coggin lot at \$92,027. It was noted that the Coggin bid was higher, as this lot will be a completely new build, given the unimproved lot from which we are starting. The District hopes to work with the City of Brownwood on curb and guttering, which could potentially lower our costs. Roderick Jones moved that the low bids be accepted as presented, with Lisa Fowler seconding the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.

CONSENT AGENDA – The Board Meeting Minutes from the April 2017 meeting, as well as a proposed Volleyball Fundraiser (alumni game) were on the Consent Agenda. Eric Evans moved that these two items be approved as presented, with Roderick Jones seconding the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

The board convened into Executive Session at 7:13 pm to discuss personnel matters. The Board reconvened the public portion of the meeting at 8:50 pm, with no action taken from the Executive Session.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- BHS Choir Spring Show May 11, 2017 at 7:00 pm
- Bad Weather Day (District closed) May 15, 2017
- Law Enforcement Appreciation Luncheon May 19, 2017
- Baccalaureate Service May 21, 2017
- BHS Academic Awards May 22, 2017 at 6:00 pm
- Early Release (last day of school May 25, 2017
- End-of-Year Staff Awards May 26, 2017 at 1:00 pm
- Graduation Day May 26, 2017
- Memorial Day Holiday District closed May 29, 2017
- Summer Hours begin May 30, 2017 thru August 4, 2017
- Next Regular Board of Trustees Meeting June 12, 2017

The meeting adjourned at 8:51 p.m.