



BOARD REPORT

BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING February 8, 2016

The Brownwood ISD Board of Trustees met for a regular session meeting on Monday, February 8th at 6:30 p.m. The regular session was called to order by Board President, Michael Cloy, who also gave the invocation. Brownwood Middle School students, Alexis Dossey, Darby Crysler, and Annabeth Hood led The Pledge of Allegiance.

RECOGNITIONS

The following groups and individuals were presented with a Certificate of Excellence for their accomplishments:

- **STUDENT HEALTH ADVISORY COUNCIL (SHAC)** - Recognized for being one of only ten Texas districts to win a 2015 It's Time Texas S.H.A.C. Strengthening Award



Above: (Left to right) Brownwood ISD Board of Trustees Member, Brad Jetton, SHAC representatives, Tracy Tucker, Whitney Windham, Helen Lacy, and Sonia Rios

- **ALBERT NGUYEN** (BHS Choir/Director Cindy Franklin) - Recognized for being named to the 2016 Small School All-State Choir by the Texas Music Educators Association
- **MCKENNA MCDONALD** (BHS Choir/Director Cindy Franklin) - Recognized for being named to the 2016 Small School All-State Choir by the Texas Music Educators Association



Above: (Left to right) Brownwood ISD Board of Trustees Member, Eric Evans, Albert Nguyen, McKenna McDonald, and BHS Choir Director, Cindy Franklin

- **CHEVY ROBERTSON** (Cross Country/Coach Don Hood) - Recognized for being named to the Academic All-State Team by the Cross Country Coaches Association of Texas
- **JESSICA ROMERO** (Cross Country/Coach Don Hood) - Recognized for being named to the TGCA Legacy All-Star Team by the Texas Girls Coaches Association
- **JULIANNE HOOD** - 2 Awards (Cross Country/Coach Don Hood) - Recognized for being named to the Academic All-State Team by the Texas Girls Coaches Association and for being named to the Academic All-State Team by the Cross Country Coaches Association of Texas



Above: (Left to Right) Brownwood ISD Board of Trustees Member, Tim Jacobs, Julianne Hood, Jessica Romero, Chevy Robertson, and Coach Don Hood.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

- Brownwood ISD received a thank you letter from The Ark for a donation towards helping battered women.
- Texas Department of Agriculture (TDA) Audit – (Food service) Brownwood ISD Superintendent, Dr. Joe Young informed the board that there was only one finding and it was a printer problem that has now been corrected. “The impressive part to me was that the auditor that came from the TDA mentioned how personable our workers were with the students and how they seemed to know the kids and would talk to them as they came through the line,” reported Young.
- Head Start had two audits. A November audit came back with no findings, and the preliminary report from a financial audit February 1st – 5th which examined Region 14 and 15 also had no findings. The final report is expected later next month. “I am very pleased with the Head Start program,” said Dr. Young. “I know that it’s new to Brownwood ISD and Mrs. Land [Brownwood ISD Deputy Superintendent] and her group have done a great job making sure that it is run correctly.”
- Dr. Young reported positively on events of the past month that included the Brownwood Economic Summit, the Board Retreat, and the Region 15 Superintendents meeting that was hosted at Brownwood ISD. Young and Brownwood ISD School Resource Officer, Fred Bastardo, attended Active Threat Training with police and school officials and administrators from the area to discuss how they would come together, respond, and be prepared to handle an incident if it were to come up within the county.
- The Lady Lions have made the basketball playoffs. The next game is scheduled for Tuesday, Feb. 16th at 7:00 p.m. in Breckenridge.
- Dr. Young mentioned that Brownwood ISD Community Relations Coordinator, Charles Musgrove would be attending the Texas School Public Relations Association (TSPRA) conference at the end of February and would be receiving an award for Brownwood ISD PR/Advertising materials that were submitted.
- An organizational meeting for the new UIL District will also be held at the end of February in Abilene.
- The report concluded with a reminder that the Bluebonnet Relays are the 4th and 5th of March, Spring Break is the following week (March 7-11), and the next board meeting will be Tuesday, March 15th.

DISCUSSION & ACTION ITEMS

PUBLIC HEARING: Texas Academic Performance Report (TAPR) – Dr. Young provided the board with his observations relating to the data contained in the report.

Liesa Land provided additional details to the board regarding the TAPR report, specifically outlining resources that have been used to address efficiency. Land also noted the drop-out rate is down and our attendance rate district-wide is up. The complete report will be posted

online and also includes accreditation and accountability information (Brownwood ISD met all required standards), performance objectives, and information on violent and criminal incidents.

POLICY READING: Policy FFA(Local): Wellness and Health Services was reviewed with the board. The board will review the update and it will be an action item at the next board meeting.

ACTION ITEM: Dr. Steve Kelly requested permission, on behalf of the Central Texas Veterans Memorial Committee, to move the World War I Memorial currently located in front of the Family Services Center (old BHS Building), to the new site of the Central Texas Veterans Memorial located in the 36th Division Memorial Park. Tim Jacobs made a motion to approve the relocation and Brad Jetton seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

ACTION ITEM: The board was presented with two 2016-2017 school calendar options that were thoroughly discussed, worked on, and approved through the Site-Based Committee. Dr. Young briefly explained the process the committee worked through to come up with the calendars and noted that student instruction, as well as what is best for kids remained driving forces behind the calendar options. Dr. Young also reported that a new change by the state to require completed *minutes* rather than *days* opened up some new options for committee members to consider. The committee unanimously approved two calendar options and Dr. Young also provided results of a subsequent poll taken throughout the district that showed overwhelming support for calendar option 1. A motion to accept calendar 1 was made by Tim Jacobs, seconded by Diane Thompson, and approved unanimously.

CONSENT AGENDA: Items on the Consent Agenda were approved unanimously as presented with a motion by Eric Evans and a second by Diane Thompson.

The items on the agenda included the following:

- January 2016 Check Register
- January 14, 2015 Board Meeting Minutes
- Budget Amendment

EXECUTIVE SESSION

The board moved into executive session at 7:08 p.m. The board returned to open session at 7:56 p.m. to discuss possible action on Executive Session Items.

ACTION: A motion to accept the following personnel action was made by Eric Evans, seconded by Diane Thompson, and was approved unanimously by the board members present:

APPROVED ADMINISTRATOR'S CONTRACTS

- Bryan Allen, Kati Burke, Joe Cardenas, Charles Chesser, Michele Cruse, Andy Gill, Kevin Gabaree, Charles Howard, Liesa Land, Todd Lewis, David McCullough, Mitch Moore, Allison Northcutt, Sandra Richardson, Lindsay Smith, Mark Stanley, Jenny Swanzy, Nanda Wilbourn, Christine Young

(ACTION Cont.)

HIRED TEACHERS

- Brad Bowden

CONTRACT CHANGE

- Heidi Gardner – 10 months (187 days) to 11 months (202 days) – to fulfill additional responsibilities due to retirement of BAHS counselor

ACTION: A motion to approve the sale of property at 1215 Ave. A was made by Tim Jacobs and seconded by Dr. Lisa Fowler. The motion was approved unanimously.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Early Release/Bluebonnet Relays – March 4, 2016
- Spring Break – March 7-11, 2016
- Next Board Meeting – March 15, 2016

The meeting adjourned at 7:58 p.m.