

**ALEDO INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
REGULAR MEETING
January 23, 2017**

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BOARD MEETING

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Aledo Independent School District was held on Monday, January 23, 2017, beginning at 7:00 P.M. in the Aledo I.S.D. Board Room with the following members present: President Jay Stringer, Vice President David Davis, Secretary Hoyt Harris, Bobby J Rigues, Jennifer Loftin, Dr. David Tillman, and Forrest Collins.

AGENDA

President Jay Stringer called the meeting to order at 7:04 P.M.

President Jay Stringer determined a quorum was present at this time.

Aledo Learning Center graduate, Edward Mann, led everyone in the pledges of allegiance to the United States and Texas Flags.

A moment of silent prayer or reflection was observed.

Cheryl Jones, Aledo Learning Center Principal, thanked the board for all they do and introduced student, Jeneen Larman who spoke about why she loves the Learning Center and the great teachers. Edward Mann, Learning Center September graduate, also spoke about the wonderful experience he had with helpful staff, and being self-paced. An invitation was given to all to the Aledo Learning Center Graduation on February 6, 2017.

Dr. Derek City, Superintendent, announced district events including Midwinter Conference, The Learning Center Graduation, a special called board meeting on February 7, the Aledo Education Foundation Directors meeting on February 13, NTAASB meeting in Grand Prairie on February 15, and the regular board meeting on February 20. Dr. City also spoke briefly about the A-F Resolution and said the timeline has been extended for applications for the elementary no.5 principal position. The following teachers' names were drawn for the Terry and Helen Hyles Perfect Attendance Award for the Fall semester; Elizabeth Luster, Mike Pinkerton, Judy Ates, Kody Knight, Brandy Emmitte, Karl Richter, Jennifer Grimm, Dan Shedd, Nancy Peer, and Jessica Claffey. They will each receive a check for \$250.00.

Lynn McKinney, Deputy Superintendent, and Jennifer Loftin presented a certificate to Coach Steve Wood and honored the seniors of the 2016 Aledo Bearcat State Football Champions. Steve Bond, retiring Transportation Director, was honored for his 43 years of service to children and a Bearcat Award was presented to him by CFO Earl Husfeld. In honor of school board recognition month, Mrs. McKinney thanked the Trustees for all their service and library books purchased by each school library was presented with name plates inside each book to honor board members. These books will be in the school libraries for students to check out.

President Jay Stringer gave instructions to the board on completing the superintendent evaluation instrument and reviewed the commissioner recommended student performance domain/superintendent appraisal. He instructed Trustees to complete the evaluation and return to Donna Roe, Secretary to the Board. Dr. Derek City reviewed his 2015-2016 superintendent goals as well as presented the proposed 2017 superintendent goals. It was determined that a special called board meeting would be held on February 7 at 6:30 P.M. to complete Dr. City's evaluation.

Dr. David Tillman reported that Community Partners met on February 20 and they are working on the spring newsletter.

Jennifer Loftin gave the Education Foundation report and announced they are working on the annual Bearcats and Boots for April 7 to be held at the Fort Worth zoo, the Don Daniel Golf Classic at Squaw Creek on June 9 and continue to work on private foundation grants.

Bobby J Rigues reported to Trustees that the 85th Legislature hot topics are appropriations, vouchers, and the A-F system and he will keep them posted on each. He attended a good governance summit on January 12 – 13 and there was interest from TEA on the Framework document and the committee decided to keep the document with no changes.

President Jay Stringer opened the floor for Public Comment. Greg Hicks, Local UEA President, presented Trustees with a \$25 gift card to thank them for their service and Robert Cox spoke about the strategic plan and teacher salaries.

A motion was made by David Davis, seconded by Dr. David Tillman to approve the minutes from board meetings on December 5, 13, 15, 2016, and the monthly financial report.

Motion was: 7 FOR
 0 AGAINST

President Jay Stringer introduced the Administrative Reports:

~ Morningstar Development – Tim Fleet and Kim Gill from Morningstar Development gave a report on the progress of lots, construction, the amenities center and pools.

~2015 Bond Update – Earl Husfeld, CFO, Mike Trammell, Buford Thompson, gave an overview of the construction of Elementary No. 5 showing pictures of the progress and reported on what’s ahead.

~2017-2018 Budget Development Calendar/Process – Earl Husfeld, CFO, presented a budget development calendar that illustrated the steps involved in the budget development process.

A recess was called at 8:36 P.M. Trustee David Davis left at 8:37 P.M. The meeting resumed at 8:52 P.M.

~Texas Academic Performance Report – Denise Dugger, Executive Director of Professional Development & Accountability, gave a Power Point presentation and reported that our accreditation status is Met Standard. Questions from the Board were answered.

~Strategic Plan Evaluation, Lynn McKinney, Deputy Superintendent, reported on the first year evaluation of the annual evaluation for our three year 2015-2018 strategic plan.

~School Health Advisory Council Cultural Awareness Plan Development Update, Scott Kessel, Director of Student Services & Safety, updated Trustees on their progress and reviewed their vision and goals.

~ Candidate Use of District Trademark Use During Trustee Elections, Dr. Derek City, Superintendent, led the discussion on whether to allow candidates to use the District’s Bearcat logo for elections. It was decided that for now, no one can use this logo for election or re-election to the school board.

President Jay Stringer introduced Action Items:

A motion was made by Hoyt Harris, seconded by Jennifer Loftin, to approve the 2017-2018 school calendar as presented by administration.

Motion was: 5 FOR
 1 AGAINST (Dr. David Tillman)

A motion was made by Bobby Rignes, seconded by Forrest Collins, to approve the 2015-2016 Audit Report as presented by administration.

Motion was: 6 FOR
 0 AGAINST

A motion was made by Bobby Rignes, seconded by David Tillman, to approve the Aledo ISD Resolution opposing the A-F system as presented by administration.

Motion was: 5 FOR
 0 AGAINST
 1 ABSTAINED (Jennifer Loftin)

A motion was made by Forrest Collins, seconded by Hoyt Harris, to postpone the naming of elementary no. 5 to Walsh Elementary as presented by administration.

Motion was: 5 FOR
 1 AGAINST (Jay Stringer)

A motion was made by Dr. David Tillman, seconded by David Davis, to approve the Resolution for Sidewalks as presented by administration.

Motion was: 7 FOR (Vote was taken before Mr. Davis left)
 0 AGAINST

A motion was made by Forrest Collins, seconded by Jennifer Loftin, to approve DCB (LOCAL) as presented by administration.

Motion was: 6 FOR
 0 AGAINST

A motion was made by Dr. David Tillman, seconded by Hoyt Harris, to approve DCE (LOCAL) as presented by administration.

Motion was: 6 FOR

 0 AGAINST

Trustee Comments/Acknowledgments – We recognize the value in TAPR reports, but also looks at the value outside of reports and is proud of Rhett Harris, Air Force Academy appointment as he is on top of his game in academics as well as citizenry and is a great compliment to our District and shows great parenting from Trustee Hoyt Harris. It is an honor to have two students from our District attending the Air Force Academy. Another Trustee, David Davis, with his son attending top rated University of Columbia shows what a well-rounded person Dillion is and a complement to our extra-curricular programs. A get well Dr. Citty was given. Dr. Citty stated that the death of Josh Harbuck breaks his heart as he was such a fine man and be sure to lift up his wife and kids in thought and prayer.

President Jay Stringer adjourned the meeting at 10:46 P.M.

SECRETARY _____

PRESIDENT _____

APPROVED February 20, 2017.