

**Nursery Independent School District
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
REGULAR MEETING**

Monday, November 27, 2023, 5:30 p.m.

**NISD Library
13254 Nursery Dr.
Victoria, Texas 77904**

MINUETS

I. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 5:39 p.m. In attendance were Neal Stevenson, Missy Yearwood, Dr. John McNeill, Dr. Larry Gajewsky, Eron Lantz, Amy Sommerlatte, Alyssa Tinsley, Lucy Ortega, Herb Spencer, Gayla Spencer, Jennifer Southern, Addie Bell, Heather Taylor, DaLissa Spaeth, Helen Resendez, Luis Ortega, Alyssa Villarreal, and Joey Dawson.

II. APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES

1. October 23, 2023, Regular Meeting

Dr. John McNeill made the motion to approve the October 23, 2023, minutes. Neal Stevenson made the second. The vote was unanimously approved.

III. PUBLIC FORUM

Description: Board members will listen to comments but only the Board President, as the designated spokesperson, may respond to the speaker if required. Those responses are limited to referring the speaker to applicable board policy or to the appropriate administrator.

- A. For Posted Agenda Items
- B. For Non-Posted Agenda Items

None.

IV. INFORMATION ITEMS

- A. Payment of Bills
- B. Superintendent Report
 - a. Principal Report
 - i. Academics

1. Benchmarking Results
 - ii. Campus Profile
 - iii. Employee of the Month
- b. Communication-Community Engagement
 - i. Thanksgiving Dinner
 - ii. Polar Express & Christmas Play
- c. Safety
- d. Facilities and Financial
 - i. Strategic Planning Committee Meeting
 - ii. LED Retro Grant-In Progress
 - iii. Gym

The bills were presented for the board to review. Mrs. Southern provided a short overview of the benchmark results. Less than 2% did not pass and our scores are at an all-time high at this time of the year. She attributed this to having the right staff members in the correct spots. 5th grade science has not completed the benchmark yet. NISD is currently at 139 students. This month Addie Bell and Amy Sommerlatte are the employees of the month.

Dr. Gajewsky reported that NISD had a successful Thanksgiving dinner for the community. All three lunches were full. Mrs. Sommerlatte did an outstanding job coordinating the meal. The next community engagement component would be Polar Express on December 13. Santa will be in attendance. NISD is seeking bids for a new camera system. There are several companies that have been contacted regarding the replacement of the current system. A community strategic planning committee meeting took place in November and the group were overwhelmingly in favor of expanding NISD. The most pressing issue is facility needs for Pre-K. When NISD was built, Pre-K was not required. Additionally, as the building is aging, there are a number of needs related to HVAC and Cafeteria upgrades. Dr. Gajewsky has been in contact with the Comptrollers office regarding the LED Retro grant for over a year. The grant deadline is December 18. NISD is in dire need of an LED upgrade. Finally, Dr. Gajewsky contacted Rick McBryer of VCOEM to inquire about a gym. They will meet at a later date to discuss the specifics.

V. UNFINISHED/NEW BUSINESS

- A. Presentation by Live Oak Public Finance, LLC.

Joey Dawson presented information to the board regarding bond capacity and the net impact regarding I&S. No action was taken.

- B. Consider and approve the SHAC committee.

A list was provided to the board regarding the SHAC Committee members. Missy Yearwood made the motion to approve the SHAC Committee members. Dr. McNeill made the second. The vote was unanimous.

- C. Consider and approve an optout waiver to the School Health Advisory Council (SHAC) regarding the Summer Nutrition Program.

Missy Yearwood made the motion to approve the opt out waiver regarding the Summer Nutrition Program. Neal Stevenson the second. The vote was unanimously approved.

D. Consider and Approve the TASB Local Policy Manual Update 122: First Reading. *Discussion arose regarding the new update. The board asked for Dr. Gajewsky to provide his recommendation regarding student directory information. No Action.*

E. Consider and Approve capital projects.

No Action.

VI. CLOSED SESSION

The Board went into Closed Session at 6:59 p.m.

A. The Board may seek the advice of the attorney for the governmental body on matters that are protected by the attorney/client privilege (TGC 551.071)

B. The Board will discuss the employment of personnel (TGC 551.074)

VII. OTHER BUSINESS: BOARD TO RECONVENE FOR OFFICIAL ACTION

The Board reconvened at 7:11 p.m. No Action was taken.

A. The Board will reconvene and take any action deemed necessary based on discussions held in closed sessions.

VII. ADJOURNMENT

The motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Neal Stevenson at 7:11 p.m. Missy Yearwood made the second. The vote was unanimous.

If, during the course of the meeting, discussion of any item on the agenda should be held in a closed meeting, the Board will convene in such closed meeting in accordance with the Open Meetings Act, Government Code, Chapter 551, Subchapters D and E. Before any closed meeting is convened, the presiding officer will publicly identify the section or sections of the Act authorizing the closed meeting. All final votes, actions, or decisions will be taken in open meeting.

This notice was posted and filed in compliance with the Open Meetings Law



Neal Stevenson, NISD Board President

12-11-22

Date

Dr. John McNeill, Treasurer

Date