

Sierra Blanca ISD Board Minutes

August 19, 2024

I. Call Meeting to Order

Meeting called to order by Robert Gomez at 6:06pm. Motion made by Alicia Walker and seconded by Annette Ramirez, motion carried unanimous.

Members Present: Annette Ramirez, Robert Gomez, Alicia Walker, and Mary Lewis

Members Absent: Marty Bustamante and Tyler Elam

II. Opening Activities

Board Conducted usual opening activities

III. Verification of Compliance with the Open Meetings Law.

August 14, 2024 @ 10 pm.

IV. Open Forum

Juanita Snyder read a letter to commend Mrs. Chacon for her services performed at SBISD.

Kayleigh Coleman reported on 17 cheerleaders with new pep rally themes and uniforms for the school year. She also took 5 kids to FFA District at Eastlake where compliments were poured out for our students' attitudes and actions. Activities coming up are El Paso County Fair and Dell Valley Consumer Science and Ag show. The new Animal Barn needs insulation and electricity. Also wanting to create a Sierra Blanca FFA Facebook for news and congratulations.

A. Bond Report from Gabe Cortez with paper. Steel Work started, next will come roofing and weather proofing. All inspections have passed. Plumbing and water connections are good.

B. Information was given for the change in the predicted versus the certified tax rate. Questions were asked and answered.

V. Consent Items

a. DISCUSSION/APPROVAL OF FINANCIAL

i. Consideration of Expenditures Since Previous Meeting

ii. Budget Expended by Function

b. TAX COLLECTIONS

c. Investment Report Monthly/Quarterly

d. DISCUSSION/APPROVAL OF BOARD MINUTES from July 22, 2024 at 6pm

Motion made by Mary Lewis and seconded Alicia Walker to accept the consent agenda. Motion carried unanimous.

VI. ACTION: Approval to adopt the resolution for the 2024 M & O Tax rate .74550 and I & S tax rate of .41000

Motion made by Alicia Walker and seconded by Mary Lewis to adopt the 2024 M & O Tax rate of .74550 and an I & S tax rate of .41000. Motion carried unanimous. Paper signed by all members present.

Annette Ramirez : yay

Mary Lewis : yay

Robert Gomez: yay

Alicia Walker :yay

- VII. **ACTION: Approval of the Hudspeth County contract for election services.**
Motion made by Alicia Walker and seconded by Mary Lewis to table until we receive contract. Motion carried unanimous.
- VIII. **ACTION Presentation and possible action to adopt Board Goals as presented**
Motion made by Mary Lewis and seconded by Annette Ramirez to table to allow a full member presentation. Motion carried unanimous.
- IX. **ACTION: Approval to designate Mary Lewis as the Sierra Blanca representative for the Delegate Assembly for TASB conference.**
Motion made by Annette Ramirez and seconded by Alicia Walker to designate Mary Lewis to represent Sierra Blanca at Delegate Assembly for TASB conference. Motion carried unanimous.
- X. **ACTION: Discussion/Approval of Student Code of Conduct and Student Handbook for School Year 24-25**
Motion made by Mary Lewis and seconded by Alicia Walker to approve the Student Code of Conduct and Student Handbook for SY 24-25. Motion carried unanimous.
- XI. **ACTION: Approval for the renewal of membership for legal services provided by Walsh Gallegos and Kyle Robinson and Roalson P.C.**
Motion made by Alicia Walker and seconded by Mary Lewis to renew the membership for legal services provided by Walsh Gallegos and Kyle Robinson and Roalson P.C. Motion carried unanimous.
- XII. **ACTION: Approval of Wellness Policy for Sierra Blanca ISD.**
Motion made by Mary Lewis and seconded by Annette Ramirez to approve the wellness policy with correction of the "having recess before lunch" to be removed or ratified to "recess after lunch". Motion carried unanimous.
- XIII. **ACTION: Approval for Adjunct Faculty Agreement with Hudspeth County Extension Staff and Texas A & M Agrilife Extension and adoption of the resolution as presented.**
Motion made by Annette Ramirez and seconded Alicia Walker to approve the adjunct faculty agreement with Hudspeth County Extension staff and adoption of the resolution of Texas A & M Agrilife Extension as presented. Motion Carried unanimous
- XIV. **ACTION: Discussion and possible action on resolution regarding a finance agreement for the purpose of financing current debt, a bus and/or a van.**
Motion made by Alicia Walker and seconded by Mary Lewis to refinance the current debt and purchase a 14 passenger non CDL bus with accessories and designating LeeAnn McGraw to handle paperwork. Motion carried unanimous.
- XV. **Closed Session**
Motion to go into closed session per 551.074 at 7:14pm by Annette Ramirez and seconded by Mary Lewis. Motion carried unanimous. Board came out at 7:43pm.
- XVI. **ACTION: On items discussed in closed session**

Motion made by Alicia Walker and seconded by Mary Lewis to accept the resignation of Mr. Willie Hill and Mrs. Iliana Chacon and also accept the term contract with Mr. Robert Morales. Motion Carried Unanimous.

XVII. Superintendent's Report

- a. Upcoming Events: Grandparents Day in Sept, DIP Meeting set, football and volleyball scheduled.
- b. Board Elections: Last Day at 5pm for turn in.
- c. Misc. Topics: Board workshop if wanted


XVIII. Schedule Future Meetings

Meeting September 16, 2024 at 6pm

XIX. Adjourn

Motion made by Alicia Walker and seconded by Mary Lewis to adjourn at 7:54 pm.
Motion carried unanimous.

Approved by _____ Date _____ Time _____

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