

SWEET HOME INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

A MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

May 13, 2024

A meeting was called to order by President Ray Peagler at 5:30pm. A quorum was present, the meeting was duly called, and notice of the meeting had been posted for the time and manner as required by law. All board members were present.

The pledges of allegiance were recited, and a moment of silence was observed.

Mrs. Steffek presented the 2024 eighth grade graduates to the Board. Each student was recognized with their Pre-K Little Buddies.

Steven Greenwell, candidate for Lavaca County Sheriff, presented to the Board his proposal on needed changes in safety and security in Lavaca County.

A Public Hearing was held regarding the proposed adoption of the Dynamic Science K-12 Summit curriculum for the 2024-2025 and 2025-2026 school years; no public comments were given.

The minutes from the April 8th meeting were read and reviewed. Robin Boswell made a motion to accept the minutes; Nathan Wenske seconded. All approved and the motion carried.

Nathan Wenske made a motion to accept the payment of bills and budget status; Johnny Turk seconded.

There were no budget amendments.

The Region 3 TASB representative term for 3 years from 2024-2027 is up for re-election; Margaret Pruett (VISD) is seeking another term. Ray Peagler made a motion to nominate Margaret Pruett as the Region 3 TASB representative; Robin Boswell seconded. All approved; motion carried.

The SHISD Science Adoption Committee, consisting of all science teachers on staff, reviewed a variety of curricula and ultimately concluded that Summit K-12 would best fit the needs for SHISD. Jeff Points made the motion to approve the curriculum; Nathan Wenske seconded. All approved, and the motion carried.

Each year, the Board certifies that the school's instructional materials cover 100% of the required TEKS. This must be completed before the district may access the EMAT allocation for 2024-2025, which provides funding for instructional pieces for the upcoming school year. Johnny Turk made a motion to approve the certification of provision of instructional materials for the 2024-2025 school year; Ray Peagler seconded. All approved and the motion carried.

The Board was then presented the pricing detail of the Dynamic Science K-12 Summit Instructional Curriculum for K-8th for the 2024-2025 and 2025-2026 school years. Ray Peagler made a motion to purchase the 2-year program; Jessica Kusak seconded. All approved; motion carried.

Dr. Pohl presented to the Board the proposed 2024-2025 Region 3 ESC contracted services, which total \$155,214.40, a significant increase from \$103,598.37 for the previous school year. Nathan Wenske made a motion to approve the proposed contract services with Region 3; Ray Peagler seconded. All approved; motion carried.

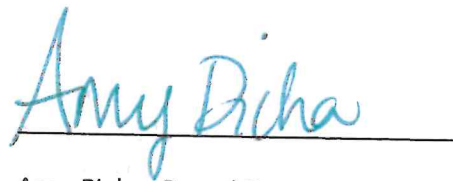
The Board next discussed the results of the Bond Election. Johnny Turk made the motion 'that the Board of Trustees adopt the Order Canvassing Returns and Declaring Results of Bond Election, as presented: FOR: 117 (62.90%); AGAINST: 69 (37.10%). Jeff Points seconded. All approved, and the order was adopted.

In the Superintendent's report, current enrollment is 147, and the campus Average Daily Attendance (ADA) is 96%. The Board was updated on the DeWitt-Lavaca Special Education Cooperative. It was noted that COOP services are increasing notably due to the rising number of special education students. The student survey was also discussed in detail. The next board meeting is scheduled for June 10th, 2024; a budget workshop will begin at 5pm followed by the regular meeting at 6:00pm.

Ray Peagler made a motion to enter closed session at 6:39pm, seconded by Jessica Kusak. As per the agenda, the Board discussed the employment of a school counselor and transfer student contracts. The Board reconvened at 7:54pm. Johnny Turk made a motion to approve transfer students for the year 2024-2025 as presented by Dr. Pohl; Jeff Points seconded. All approved and the motion carried. Ray Peagler made a motion to approve the school counselor for 2024-2025; Jessica seconded. All approved and the motion carried. Ray Peagler made a motion to adjourn the meeting; Nathan Wenske seconded. All approved; the meeting was adjourned at 7:56pm.



Ray Peagler, Board President



Amy Picha, Board Secretary