

Tolar Independent School District
Board of Trustees
Minutes of Regular Meeting
August 26, 2024

The Board of Trustees met in a regular meeting on Monday, August 26, 2024. The following members were present: Justin Deaver, Brad Cooper, Matt Imel, Rhonda Knight, Dalton Nix, and Josh Swaim.

Absent from the meeting was: Terry Leatherman

Meeting with the Board of Trustees were Travis Stilwell, Superintendent; Kristen Carey, Assistant Superintendent; Clint Gardner, High School Principal; Christal Hollinger, Elementary Principal; Christine Murphy, Business Manager; Erin McCarten, HR Administrative Assistant

Others attending meeting: Diana Daniels, Dwain Daniels, David Cook

1. Invocation led by Dalton Nix
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Quorum was established and the meeting was called to order by Dalton Nix at 6:31 p.m.
4. Mr. Stilwell presented the 2024-2025 proposed budget.
Total budget including M&O, food services, and debt services will be \$ (97,855.94)
5. Mr. Stilwell presented the 2024-2025 proposed tax rate.
M&O = \$0.6669
I&S = \$0.281620
Total Tax Rate = \$0.94852
6. Public Comments for Public Hearing: None
7. Hearing adjourned at 6:41 p.m.
8. Public Comments: None
9. Individual/Committee Reports
Christal Hollinger gave the Elementary report:
Upcoming Events: BOY testing, Grandparent's Lunch, Future Rattler Night

Additional Updates: Community showed up for our staff providing meals, Drinks, Ice Cream, Load the lounge and Cooling vests for dismissal.

Kristen Carey gave the Junior High report:
Upcoming Events: Sports, Map Testing, Creating Clubs, Fake or Fatal presentation

Additional Updates: New Theatre Class, Spanish, advance classes.

Clint Gardner gave the High School report:

Upcoming Events: Texas College Bridge, Eco Dis identification, SAT/ACT sign-up

Additional Updates: Meet the Teacher was a success, senior parking places painted

Kristen Carey gave the Instruction/Technology & Safety report:

Annual programs re-enrolled, Title 1 on all campuses, new science curriculum

10. Motion by Josh Swaim, second by Rhonda Knight to approve Minutes from July 22, 2024 regular Meeting, August 5, 2024 Budget Workshop, and the monthly financial statements/reports.

Motion carried

Vote: Pass -6

Oppose -0

11. Motion by Matt Imel, second by Brad Cooper to approve the 2024-2025 budget as presented.

Motion carried

Vote: Pass -6

Oppose -0

12. Motion by Justin Deaver, second by Brad Cooper to approve Ordinance #24-001 adopting the 2024-2025 tax rate of M&O - \$0.6669, I&S - \$0.281620, Total - \$0.950882.

Motion carried

Vote: Pass -6

Oppose -0

13. Motion by Brad Cooper, second by Rhonda Knight to approve 2023-2024 year end Budget Amendment #1.

Motion carried

Vote: Pass-6

Oppose-0

14. Motion by Justin Deaver, second by Rhonda Knight to approve the Order of Cancellation for the November 5, 2024 Election.

Motion carried

Vote: Pass-6

Oppose-0

15. Motion by Brad Cooper, second by Josh Swaim to adopt a resolution directing the defeasance and/or redemption of certain of Tolar Independent School District's outstanding Unlimited Tax Bonds.

Motion carried

Vote: Pass-6

Oppose-0

16. Motion by Matt Imel, second by Josh Swaim to adopt the most current prevailing wage rates for Hood County, published by the United States Department of Labor in accordance with the Davis-Bacon Act (40 U.S.C. Section 276a et seq.), and its subsequent amendments in connection with any construction projects authorized by the Board during the District's fiscal year.

Motion carried

Vote: Pass-6

Oppose-0

- 17. Motion by Rhonda Knight, second by Brad Cooper to approve Policy Update 123 proposed revisions to (LOCAL) Polices: BBD, BBFA, CKC, CKE, CQC, DGBA, EEH, EF, EFA, EFB, EIC, FNG and GF.

Motion carried

Vote: Pass-6

Oppose-0

- 18. Motion by Matt Imel, second by Josh Swaim to approve amendment in Student Handbook for updated attendance time.

Motion carried

Vote: Pass-6

Oppose-0

- 19. Superintendent's report

- a. Updated Staff List

- b. Board Meeting Dates- updated dates

Future board meetings 2024-2025:

Monday, September 26

Monday, October 21

Monday, November 18

Monday, December 16 (Team of 8 Training, No regular meeting)

Monday, January 20

Monday, February 17

Monday, March 31

Monday, April 28

Monday, May 19

- 20. Topics for future discussion: none

- 21. Motion by Josh Swaim, second by Matt Imel to adjourn the meeting.

Motion carried

Vote: Pass -6

Oppose -0

Meeting adjourned at 7:11 p.m.



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