

WALNUT BEND INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

Regular Board Minutes

September 17th, 2024 7:00 pm

Present: Randy Clark, Virginia McNairn, Emily Southerland, Shane Foster, and Supt. Ken Kemp

Absent: Roxi Castillo, Lucas Grgurich

1. Call to Order and Declaration of a Quorum: Randy Clark

2. Invocation: Virginia McNairn

3. Pledge to the American flag: All

4. No audience

5. Public Hearing will be held following the regular meeting.

6. Consent Agenda

Motion made by Emily Southerland to approve the following:

A. Minutes for 8/20/2024 - Regular Meeting & 8/20/24 - Special Meeting

B. Financial Report - fund balance: \$1,599,407.57

C. Jim Roberson Delinquent tax collection: \$3,451.63

D. Monthly bills through reviewed.

E. No budget amendment

Second by Virginia McMairn; all voted in favor.

7. Due to lack of a contested race, motion was made by Emily Southerland to cancel the November

5, 2024 elections related to the School Board. Second by Shane Foster; all voted in favor.

8. No repairs or purchases exceeding \$5,000.00

9. Personnel

A. No needed update on At-will employees

B. Supt. Kemp submitted his resignation effective 1/31/25 due to a health issue. Motion made by Emily Southerland to accept said resignation. Second by Shane Foster; all voted in favor. Board members expressed gratitude as well as a reluctance at accepting the resignation but understood. Supt. Kemp prepared a time line & qualifications for selecting a new superintendent as well as willingness to help as needed. The vacancy will be posted at the appropriate places.

C. Consensus reflected in the process for hiring at-will employees

10. Board Training will be available 10/18.24 in St.Jo, Tx. Most members work during the day; Virginia McNairn plans to attend.

11. Superintendent's Report

a. Enrollment: 76

b. Calendar for the month was presented; Grandparent's Day was Sept. 9th. Girls have won 2 of the first 3 games.

c. Media - total following 901 + 2; top posts - Grandparents's Day - 4300 reached -highest audience. You tube views - 335

12. Executive Session called at 7:42; returned to Open Session at 7:50

13. No action taken following Executive Session.

14. No student transfers

Consensus was to move the next meeting to Tuesday, 10/22/2024

15. No additional business; Adjournment: 7:52

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President

10/22/24

Date

Virginia McNair

Secretary