Nazareth ISD BOE Regular Meeting July 12, 2023

The meeting was called to order by President Jenny Schulte at 7:33 p.m. Other members present were Vice President Alan Birkenfeld, Mitchell Brockman, Marty Gerber, Keith Hoelting, and Allison Kleman. Also present was Superintendent Dr. Kara Sue Garlitz. The prayer was led by Keith, the pledge by Mitchell and the mission statement was read by Allison.

President Jenny Schulte opened the Public Hearing at 7:34 p.m. Dr. Garlitz gave an overview of how our funding has been reduced in recent years with a 8% decrease from last year. She also explained how the funds for the ESSA Consolidated Grant for Title I, Title II, and Title IV have traditionally been designated for expenditure, which has been for salary for our Title I Counselor and the ESC 16 contract for federal programs. The ESSA Hearing was closed at 7:38 p.m.

President Jenny Schulte opened the Public Hearing at 7:38 p.m. Dr. Garlitz presented information concerning Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief, ESSER II & III, grants, how the money has been designated to be spent through input gathered from staff, students, parents, and community. ESSER II funds will wrap up September 1, 2023. The ESSER II & III Hearing was closed at 7:44 p.m.

Dr. Garlitz presented the Superintendent Report, which included the regular reports of District's current bills, financial reports, cash flow and investment report, Pledged Securities, Castro CAD monthly tax collection, facilities and operations, transportation, and personnel. It also included the 2023-2024 handbooks and code of conduct, the TASB localized policy manual update 121, update on policy EIE(LOCAL), the ESC 16 contracts for 2023-2024, breakfast and lunch prices, and upcoming training opportunities.

Approval of the check lists and financial reports will be considered under the Consent Agenda. Cash flow and investments were presented. The pledged securities with Peoples Bank were reported and presented. Castro County Appraisal District reported that 99.40% of current M&O taxes and 99.39% of current I&S taxes have been collected.

Dr. Garlitz gave an update on facilities and operation and personnel. Updates to the Employee Handbook, Student Handbook, Extracurricular Handbook & Practice Guidelines, and the Student Code of Conduct were presented. These will be considered under the Consent Agenda.

The second reading of TASB Localized Policy Manual 121 was conducted. Proposed Breakfast and Lunch prices were also presented. BOE Training Opportunities were then presented, which included the TASA/TASB Convention in Dallas, September 29 through October 1, 2023.

A motion to approve the Consent Agenda including the June 14 regular meeting, financial reports, current check payment lists, approving the Student Handbook, Employee Handbook, Extracurricular Handbook and Practice Guidelines, Student Code of Conduct, ESC 16 contracts for 2023-2024, the auditor engagement for Stephens, Stephens, and Telchik, and the Breakfast & Lunch prices for 2023-2024 was made by Mitchell. The motion was seconded by Alan, and the motion carried 6-0.

Alan made a motion to approve student insurance plan through Brown & Brown Lone Star Insurance Services for catastrophic and blanket coverage. The motion was seconded by Marty, and the motion carried 6-0.

Alan made a motion to continue with our five-year contract through CAS for Workers' Compensation Insurance. Mitchell seconded the motion, and it passed 6-0.

Time was provided for closing comments or further questions. Marty made a motion and Jenny seconded it to adjourn. The motion passed unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 9:23 p.m.

Jenny Schulte, BOE President

Jennifer Heiman, BOE Secretary