

**Nazareth ISD BOE
Regular Meeting
March 24, 2021**

The meeting was called to order by President Marty Gerber at 7:29 p.m. Other members present were Vice President Mac Annen, Secretary Jenny Schulte, Alan Birkenfeld, Keith Hoelting, and Mitchell Brockman. Jennifer Heiman was unable to attend. Also present was Principal Robert O'Connor and Superintendent Dr. Kara Sue Garlitz. The prayer was led by Jenny, the pledge by Marty and the mission statement was read by Alan.

Guests for the meeting included the following: Kyle & Kate Birkenfeld; Austin & Megan Dunn; Cody & Jessica Moore; Andrea Snead; Troy & Shelby Ramaekers; Evan & Macee Huseman; John & Karen Wanjura; and Anthony & Karlynn Hochstein. All were attending for the Pre-K Public Hearing.

President Gerber opened the public hearing for the Nazareth Pre-K Program for 2021-2022 at 7:29 p.m. The public hearing finished at 8:02 p.m. Karen Wanjura spoke for the group in requesting the board's consideration of full day Pre-K for next year. The group expressed a willingness to help the school.

Under the Principal's Reports, Mr. O'Connor included enrollment/attendance information, a calendar of upcoming events, and an academic update. Students from the Robotics program did a presentation of their program.

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 second reading of TASB localized policy Update 116, the upcoming Region 16 Board of Directors Election Notice, the cancellation order for our upcoming BOE election in May 2021, a COVID-19 update, an anonymous donation to go toward expenses incurred for the state tournament, school calendar changes, 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 97.15% of current M&O taxes and 97.17% of current I&S taxes have been collected.

Dr. Garlitz gave an update on facilities and operation, transportation, and personnel. A cancellation order for the May Board election will be presented under the consent agenda as only two people registered to run for two positions.

A motion to approve the Consent Agenda including the February 10, 2021 regular meeting minutes, financial reports, current check payment lists, approving the TASB localized policy Update 116, cancelling the May Board election, approving administrative changes to the school calendar, and accepting \$2500 donation was made by Keith. The motion was seconded by Jenny and the motion carried 6-0.

Alan made a motion to approve Dr. Garlitz's recommendation to renew Keely Williams contract as presented. The motion was seconded by Mac and motion carried 6-0.

Jenny made a motion to approve Dr. Garlitz's recommendation to hire Tyler Goodwin as teacher coach and offer him a 1-year dual assignment probationary contract. The motion was seconded by Mac, and the motion passed 6-0.

Mac made a motion to authorize the superintendent to file for a Missed School Day waiver with TEA due to the extended period of record low temperatures, rolling blackouts, and hazardous travel conditions that the entire state of Texas experienced February 17-19. The motion was seconded by Mitchell, and the motion passed 6-0.

After discussion, Mitchell made the motion to adopt a resolution regarding employee pay during the severe winter weather emergency in February. The motion was seconded by Alan, and the motion passed 6-0.

Mac made a motion to adopt the resolution to eliminate the requirement to wear face coverings from the District's existing COVID-19 protocols as it applies to students, staff, and visitors, effective April 1. The motion was seconded by Alan, and the motion passed 6-0.

Time was provided for closing comments or further questions.

Mac made a motion and Jenny seconded it to adjourn. The motion passed unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 10:10 p.m.


Marty Gerber, BOE President


Jenny Schulte, BOE Secretary