MINUTES

The Board of Trustees of the Sweeny Independent School District met in Regular Session at 6:00 p.m. on Tuesday, August 13, 2024 in person at the Sweeny ISD Board Room, 1310 N Elm, Sweeny, Texas. Mr. Douget called the meeting to order. The Invocation was led by Penny Mican of OLPH and the Pledges of Allegiance to the American and Texas flags were led by Interact Club students.

The following Board members were present:
Bryan Douget – President
Donna Bohlar-Schroeder –Vice President
Debra Fields-Bell – Secretary
Amanda Baca
Brittanie Hopkins
Trina Smith
Paul Kibodeaux

The following Board Members were absent:

The following staff members were present:
Daniel Fuller, Superintendent
Amye Kibodeaux, Secretary to Superintendent/Board, Recording Secretary
Crayton Henry, Principal Jr. High
Tyler Rowlett, Principal High School
Matt Way, Principal Elementary
Kristin Effenberger, CFO
Sandi Vandaveer, Director of SpEd Programs
Ulysses Velez, Chief of Police Sweeny ISD
Stephanie Trevino, Child Nutrition Assistant
Sandra Botello, Director of Child Nutrition
Michael Heinroth, Director of Operations
Kelley Schroeder, Director of Academics
Tiffany Wells, FFA
Chris Kocurek, Director of HR
Dakota Matcheski, Teacher

Also present for this meeting:
Parents of students, students, staff and community being recognized
Penny Mican
PBK
Wendy Irwin
Jessica Follet
Representatives from Brazosport Christian School

Meeting called to order at 6:00 p.m.

EXECUTIVE SESSION - Board adjourned into Executive Session at 6:00 p.m.

Texas Government Code Section 551.001 Closed meeting will be held for the purpose authorized by the Texas Open Meetings Act.

- Pursuant to Tex. Gov't Code 551.074, Deliberate Regarding the Appointment, Employment, Evaluation, Reassignment, Duties, Discipline, Resignation or Dismissal of a Public Officer or Employee

- Virtual Executive Session Pursuant to Sections 551.071 and 551.129 of the Texas Government Code (Virtual Attorney Consultation) Regarding Pending Litigation Against the District, Civil Action No: 3:23-cv-271, Pending in the United States District Court of the Southern District of Texas

Board Reconvened at 7:06 p.m. The presiding officer will verify that the meeting has been duly called and notice of the meeting has been posted for the time and manner required by law.

INVOCATION
- Penny Mican, OLPH/SJA

PLEDGES OF ALLEGIANCE
- Interact Club Students

RECOGNITION(S)
- Hurricane Beryl Volunteers
  - Interact Club
  - Sweeny FFA
  - Jr. High Student Council
  - Maintenance/Operations Department
  - Student Athletes
  - Community Members
  - CP Chem
  - Phillips 66
  - Sweeny Rotary

COMMUNICATION FROM THE PUBLIC
- None

PRESENTATIONS
- STAAR Scores Presentation – Kelly Schroeder
- Comprehensive Support with ESF – Sandi Vandaveer
- Budget Presentation – Kristin Effenberger

CONSENT
- Consider Board Approval of Minutes from July 18, 2024 Regular Meeting and July 29, 2024 Special Board Meeting
- Consider Board Approval of Bond Issue Accounts Payable Fund 616
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- Consider Board Approval of Bond Issue Accounts Payable Fund 619
- Consider Board Approval of Capital Projects Accounts Payable Fund 682
- Consider Board Approval of Bond Issue Accounts Payable Fund 698
- Consider Board Approval of Bond Construction Invoices
- Consider Board Approval of Budget Amendments
- Consider Board Approval of Purchases over $50K

MOTION was made by Mrs. Baca, seconded by Mr. Kibodeaux to approve items A-I on the consent agenda as presented and recommended. All voted aye (7, 0) Motion carried.

DISCUSSION AND ACTION

Consider and Take Possible Action on Civil Action No: 3:23-cv-271, Pending in The United States District Court for the Southern District of Texas

Tabled – no action

Consideration and Possible Action to Select an Architect to Provide Design and Construction Administration Services for the Bond Construction Projects Consisting of a Football Stadium, Bleachers, Lighting, Press Box, Fieldhouse, Renovations, Lockers, and Renovations to Five Campus Gymnasiums Project and Delegating Authority to the Superintendent to Negotiate and Execute the Final Contract.

MOTION was made by Mrs. Hopkins, seconded by Mrs. Bohlar-Schroeder to approve selecting PBK Architects, based on their demonstrated competence and qualifications to provided design and construction administration services as the Architect for the bond construction projects consisting of a football stadium, bleachers, lighting, press box, fieldhouse renovations, lockers, and renovations to five campus gymnasiums Project; and authorize the Superintendent to negotiate a contract with the Architect in a form approved by counsel for the District for a fair and reasonable price in accordance with Texas Government Code Section 2254.004(b). All voted aye (7, 0) Motion carried.

Discuss and Consider (LOCAL) Policies as Offered by TASB Policy Service for Consideration and According to the Instruction Sheet for TASB Localized Policy Manual Update 123, Including the Changes to the Complaint Timelines at DGBA, FNG, and GF (LOCAL) adopted by the Board on July 29, 2024

MOTION was made by Mrs. Bohlar-Schroeder, seconded by Mrs. Fields-Bell to approve that the board add, revise, or delete (LOCAL) policies as offered by TASB Policy Service for consideration and according to the Instruction Sheet for TASB Localized Policy Manual Update 123, including the changes to the complaint timelines at DGBA, FNG, and GF(LOCAL) adopted by the board on July 29, 2024. All voted aye (7, 0) Motion carried.

Discuss and Consider Approval of Convocation Sponsorships from the SISD Education Foundation

MOTION was made by Mrs. Smith, seconded by Mrs. Bohlar-Schroeder to approve the monetary donation from the Education Foundation for Convocation Sponsorships. All voted aye (7, 0) Motion carried.

Discuss and Consider Approval of BEST Academy Sponsorship from the Sweeny Rotary Club

MOTION was made by Mrs. Bohlar-Schroeder, seconded by Mrs. Smith to approve the monetary donation from the Sweeny Rotary Club for BEST Academy Sponsorship. All voted aye (7, 0) Motion carried.

Discuss and Consider Agreement for the Purchase of Attendance Credits from the State

MOTION was made by Mrs. Smith, seconded by Mrs. Hopkins to delegate contractual authority to obligate the school district under Texas Education Code (TEC) 11.1511(c)(4) to the superintendent, solely for the purpose of obligating the district under TEC, 48.257 and TEC, Chapter 49, Subchapters A and D, and the rules adopted by the commissioner of education as authorized under TEC, 49.006. This includes approval of the Agreement for the Purchase of Attendance Credit. All voted aye (7, 0) Motion carried.

Discuss and Consider Proposing a 2024 Tax Rate and Scheduling a Public Hearing to Discuss 2024-2025 Budget and the 2024 Proposed Tax Rate

MOTION was made by Mrs. Bohlar-Schroeder, seconded by Mrs. Baca to vote to propose a 2024 tax rate of $0.8731 per $100, with $0.7214 per $100 designated for the purpose of maintenance and operations, and $0.1517 per $100 designated for the payment of principal and interest on bonded indebtedness, and that the Board schedule and publish notice for a public meeting to discuss the 2024-2025 budget and the 2024 proposed tax rate for August 27, 2024, at 6:00 p.m. All voted aye (7, 0) Motion carried.

Discuss and Consider 2024-2025 Cafeteria Meal Prices

MOTION was made by Mrs. Baca, seconded by Mrs. Smith to approve the proposed meal prices for the 2024-2025 school year. All voted aye (7, 0) Motion carried.

REPORTS

- No questions

FUTURE BUSINESS

- None

Board adjourned at 8:53 p.m.

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Bryan Douget, President Debra Fields-Bell, Secretary