

MINUTES

The Board of Trustees of the Sweeny Independent School District met in Regular Session at 6:00 p.m. on Tuesday, October 8, 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 Josh Bynum and the Pledges of Allegiance to the American and Texas flags were led by Joseph Parham.

The following Board members were present:

Bryan Douget – President
Donna Bohlar-Schroeder –Vice President
Debra Fields-Bell – Secretary
Brittanie Hopkins
Trina Smith
Paul Kibodeaux

The following Board Members were absent:

Amanda Baca

The following staff members were present:

Daniel Fuller, Superintendent
Amye Kibodeaux, Secretary to Superintendent/Board, Recording Secretary
Nicole Larson, Director of Education Foundation and Communications
Kristin Effenberger, CFO
Ulysses Velez, Chief of Police Sweeny ISD
Tyler Rowlett, High School Principal
Jessica Brink, Teacher
Michael Heinroth, Director of Operations
Crayton Henry, Jr. High Principal
DuWayne Dunn, Director of Technology
Sandi Vandaveer, Director of SpEd Program
Jeri Freshour, Teacher

Also present for this meeting:

Students and Parents for Recognitions
Kelly Fuller
Josh Bynum, First United Methodist Church
Jessica Weston
Ellen Farley
Dana Cox
Chas Cox
Brandi Neel
Lindsey Clarke
Donna Kelley

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

REGULAR MEETING – TUESDAY, OCTOBER 8, 2024

- Pursuant to Texas Gov't Code 551.071 for the Purpose of a Private Consultation with the Board's Attorney on any or all Subjects or Matters Authorized by Law.

Board Reconvened at 7:49 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

- Josh Bynum, First United Methodist Church

PLEDGES OF ALLEGIANCE

- Joseph Parham

RECOGNITIONS

- Region 4 Teacher of the Year – Jessica Brink
- Band – Region 13 Jazz 1st Chair – Joseph Parham
- Interact – Rotary District Meeting

COMMUNICATION FROM THE PUBLIC

- Jessica Weston – Incident at the Jr. High

CONSENT

- Consider Board Approval of Minutes from September 10, 2024 Regular Board Meeting
- Consider Board Approval of Bond Issue Accounts Payable Fund 619
- Consider Board Approval of Bond Construction Invoices
- Consider Board Approval of Budget Amendments
- Consider Board Approval of Purchases over \$50K
- Consider Board Approval of Bond Issue Accounts Payable Funds 624
- Consider Board Approval of Quarterly Investment Reports
- Consider Board Approval of Education Foundation Fall Grants

MOTION was made by Mrs. Hopkins, seconded by Mrs. Bohlar-Schroeder to approve items A-H on the Consent Agenda. All voted aye (6, 0) Motion carried.

DISCUSSION AND ACTION

Consideration and Possible Action to Review, Rank and Approve the Final Rankings for Selection of a Construction Manager at Risk for the 2024 Bond Construction Project and Authorizing the Superintendent to Negotiate and Execute a Contract - Weaver and Jacobs

MOTION was made by Mrs. Hopkins, seconded by Mr. Douget approve the final rankings as recommended by the Administration for Construction Manager at Risk for 2024 Bond Construction Project, finding that Weaver and Jacobs being the highest ranked offeror provides the best value for the District, and authorize the Superintendent to negotiate and execute a contract approved by the District's legal counsel, and in accordance with the procedures set out in Texas Government Code, Section 2269.254. All voted aye (6, 0) Motion carried.

Consideration and Possible Action to Adopt the Prevailing Wage Rates in Connection with the 2024 Bond Construction Projects and any other Construction Projects Authorized by the Board During the District's Current Fiscal Year.

MOTION was made by Mr. Kibodeaux, seconded by Mr. Douget to approve to adoption of the 2022 Houston prevailing wage rate as presented and recommended by architects. All voted aye (6, 0) Motion carried.

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Discuss, Consider and Take Action to Modify Policies EIC (LOCAL and DEE (LOCAL)

MOTION was made by Mr. Kibodeaux, seconded by Mrs. Hopkins to approve the modifications to EIC and DEE (LOCAL) as presented. All voted aye (6, 0) Motion carried.

Discuss and Consider Optional Flexible School Day Program

MOTION was made by Mrs. Fields-Bell, seconded by Mr. Douget to approve the Optional Flexible School Day Program for this school year to enable a student who is at-risk of dropping out the option to complete the courses needed for graduation. All voted aye (6, 0) Motion carried.

Discuss and Consider Official Ballot Resolution for Nominating Candidates for the Brazoria County Appraisal Directors for 2024-2025

MOTION was made by Mrs. Bohlar-Schroeder, seconded by Mrs. Fields-Bell to approve resolution for nominating candidates for the Brazoria County Appraisal Directors 2024-2025 – current members. All voted aye (6, 0) Motion carried.

Discuss and Consider Renewal of Membership in Walsh Gallegos Retainer Program

MOTION was made by Mr. Kibodeaux, seconded by Mrs. Hopkins to grant Superintendent authority to renew SISD membership in Walsh Gallegos Retainer Plan. 5 voted aye, Mrs. Fields-Bell voted nay (5, 1) Motion carried.

Discuss and Consider Change to Compensation Plan - Bus Drivers Training Hourly Rate of \$10/hr. up to 75 Hours

MOTION was made by Mr. Kibodeaux, seconded by Mrs. Bohlar-Schroeder to approve adding Bus Training pay to the 2024-2025 Compensation Plan as presented. All voted aye (6, 0) Motion carried.

Discuss and Consider Sweeny ISD Texas Teacher Evaluation and Support System Calendar for 2024-2025

MOTION was made by Mr. Kibodeaux, seconded by Mrs. Bohlar-Schroeder to approve the 2024-2025 Texas Teacher Evaluation and Support System Calendar as presented. All voted aye (6, 0) Motion carried.

Discuss and Consider Payroll Frequency

Tabled until December

REPORTS

- No questions

FUTURE BUSINESS

- Mrs. Hopkins – Plans and projections for budget. Mrs. Fields-Bell and Mrs. Bohlar-Schroeder agreed and it was decided there will be a Budget Workshop scheduled.

Board adjourned at 8:28 p.m.

Bryan Douget, President

Debra Fields-Bell, Secretary