

Terrell County Independent School District

Sanderson, Texas 79848

Meeting Minutes from July 10, 2024 Special Board Meeting

The Terrell County Independent School District convened for the regular meeting on Wednesday, July 10, 2024 at 6:45 P.M., in the conference room at the Sanderson High School, 302 North Second Street, Sanderson, Texas.

Trustees Present:

Mr. Jon Tom Lowrance

Mr. Enrique Rivera

Mr. Clay Houston

Mr. Chris Case

Mr. Fernando Sanchez

Board members absent were: Mrs. Lali Ortiz and Mr. Marco Fuentes

Administration and TCISD Staff Present: Tanna Lowrance, Superintendent

Community Members:

none

Special Meeting

A quorum was established with Mr. Houston presiding.

The meeting was called to order at 6:57 P.M.

Due to technical issues the board was unable to complete the required training from the Texas School Safety Center. This training will be rescheduled.

Adjourn:

A motion was made by Mr. Lowrance and seconded by Mr. Rivera to adjourn the meeting. The adjournment was unanimously approved 5-0.

Mr. Houston adjourned the meeting at 7:05 pm.

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Mr. Houston
Vice-President

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Mr. Fernando Sanchez
Secretary

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Meeting Minutes from July 10, 2024 Board Meeting

The Terrell County Independent School District convened for the regular meeting on Wednesday, July 10, 2024 at 7:00 P.M., in the conference room at the Sanderson High School, 302 North Second Street, Sanderson, Texas.

Trustees Present:

Mr. Jon Tom Lowrance

Mr. Enrique Rivera

Mr. Clay Houston

Mr. Chris Case

Mr. Fernando Sanchez

Board members absent were: Mrs. Lali Ortiz and Mr. Marco Fuentez

Administration and TCISD Staff Present: Tanna Lowrance, Superintendent, Justin Hilliard, Athletic Director, Blain Chriesman, Chief Financial Officer, David Carrasco, IT, Virginia Garza, Counselor

Community Members:

none

Regular Meeting

A quorum was established with Mr. Houston presiding.

The meeting was called to order at 7:05 P.M. The pledges were said, and a moment of silence was observed.

Public Comments/Audience Participation TCISD Policy BED (LOCAL) pursuant to Gov't Code §551.007:

There were no public comments.

District Reports:

- a. **Yearbook Update:** Mrs. Lowrance reported for Mrs. Roberts. Mrs. Roberts is working on the 2024 yearbook. She needs to finish the sports pages, a few ad pages and a few other pages. She sees no reason it will not be completed by the time school starts. When the 2024 yearbook is complete she will start working on the 2023 yearbook as it is the closest to completion.
- b. **Technology Report:** Mr. David Carrasco reported bills will go out to students tomorrow for damage to chromebooks. All junior high promethean board mounts have been installed and most of the promethean boards. He hopes to have the JH building completed by Friday. HS walls will need floor mounts to hold the weight of the new promethean boards. Laptops have come in in less than a week for dual credit students. HS lab computers have been ordered. The delivery of the remaining new air conditioner units have been delayed due to hurricane Beryl in Houston. He is still working through the training to create the new website. He is aiming for an August 1st launch date. He will use the September 2023 update to the website and rebuild what he needs to from there.
- c. **Athletic Director Report:** Coach Hilliard reported summer workouts have been going well. Cross Country began practices at 8:00 in the evening on Monday. He has secured a grant for athletic and pe equipment with approval from Mrs. Lowrance. The grant is an annual cost of \$300 with no limit on the amount of supplies ordered (shipping is included in the price).
- d. **Counselor's Report:** Mrs. Virginia Garza reported STAAR retesting is complete for the summer with no issues. Summer I dual credit ended Tuesday and Summer II began today. She is currently

working on fall registration. She learned a lot from our TASB Policy Review and stated there will need to be much discussion on changing the class rank local policy. Emma received a TILF scholarship for \$1000 to go towards housing and books.

e. **Financial Report-** Mr. Chriesman reported the district may lose some money due to tornado exemptions on property taxes. He is estimating a 1 to 2 million dollar loss in value. Budget amendments included: a change to function 12 relating to May Retention Bonuses, UIL expenses related to State UIL, and a donation to the golf program.

f. **Superintendent's Report –** Mrs. Lowrance reported the roofs sustained minor damage during the tornado. Mr. Kirk Cooper has examined the damage and will make the necessary repairs. . Mr. Estes has begun working on the new classroom wall and science lab. The new science lab teacher demonstration table has arrived. Signage has been ordered for the district including signage stating staff is armed. A recycling company will be here before school starts to pick up all of the old promethean boards and remaining computers from the old elementary. We were able to save \$2500 on our Renaissance contract by reducing the number of licenses from 250 to 130. Our TaylorMade package from Region 18 is down about \$4000 from last year for a total of \$74,198.

Consent Agenda:

Minutes from the Regular Board Meeting on June 19, 2024 and Budget Amendments as presented were approved with a motion from Mr. Rivera and a second by Mr. Lowrance. The motion was approved 4-0. Mr. Sanchez abstained from the vote.

Action Items:

- a. **Mr. Lowrance motioned and Mr. Rivera seconded Issuing an Order of General Election for November 5, 2024 for the Purpose of Electing four (4) Members of the Board of Trustees, District 1, Place 1 ; District 1, Place 2; District 2, Place 1; District 2, Place 2 for a four year term. The motion carried 5-0.**
- b. Discussion and Possible Approval of stipend schedule change. **NO ACTION**
- c. Discussion and Possible Approval of Substitute Pay Schedule. **NO ACTION**
- d. **Mr. Case made a motion and Mr. Rivera seconded to motion to approve the donation of the large bbq pit to the Knights of Columbus with the understanding that the school have access to use the pit as needed. The motion carried 5-0.**
- e. Discussion and Possible Approval of Local Policy Update 123
 - i. EFB(Local) INSTRUCTIONAL RESOURCES: LIBRARY MATERIALS
 - ii. CQC(Local) TECHNOLOGY RESOURCES: EQUIPMENT
 - iii. EFA(Local) INSTRUCTIONAL RESOURCES: INSTRUCTIONAL MATERIALS
 - iv. BBFA(Local) ETHICS: CONFLICT OF INTEREST DISCLOSURES
 - v. EEH(Local) INSTRUCTIONAL ARRANGEMENTS: HOMEBOUND INSTRUCTION
 - vi. CKC(Local) SAFETY PROGRAM/RISK MANAGEMENT: EMERGENCY PLANS
 - vii. BBD(Local) BOARD MEMBERS: TRAINING AND ORIENTATION
 - viii. EF(Local) INSTRUCTIONAL RESOURCES
 - ix. DCE(Local) EMPLOYMENT PRACTICES: OTHER TYPES OF CONTRACTS
 - x. DGBA(Local) PERSONNEL-MANAGEMENT RELATIONS: EMPLOYEE COMPLAINTS/GRIEVANCES
 - xi. FNG(Local) STUDENT RIGHTS AND RESPONSIBILITIES: STUDENT AND PARENT COMPLAINTS/GRIEVANCES
 - xii. GF(Local) PUBLIC COMPLAINTS
 - xiii. CKED(Local) SECURITY PERSONNEL: OTHER SECURITY ARRANGEMENTS

Mr. Lowrance motioned and Mr. Sanchez seconded the approval of Local Policy update as presented with no changes. The motion carried 5-0.

The board went immediately into executive session.

Executive Session:

Pursuant to Texas Governmental Code §551, the Board retired to closed session at 8:07 P.M., for discussion of the items listed below.

a. Personnel

At 9:24 P.M., the Board returned to an open meeting.

Action Items:

No action was taken.

Adjourn:

A motion was made by Mr. Lowrance and seconded by Mr. Rivera to adjourn the meeting. The adjournment was unanimously approved 5-0.

Mr. Houston adjourned the meeting at 9:33 pm.

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Mr. Houston
Vice- President

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Mr. Fernando Sanchez
Secretary