

BOARD BULLETIN

THURSDAY – JUNE 26, 2025

Date: June 26, 2025

The Board of Trustees of the Sabine Independent School District met in called session in the board room in the district's administration building located at 5424 FM 1252 West, Gladewater, Gregg County, Texas. SISD Board President Tony Raymond declared that a quorum was present and called the meeting to order at 12:00 pm.

Present: Andrea Bates, Eric Collins, Danny R. King, Dr. Art Morchat, and Eddie Shawn

Absent: Leslie Thurston and Tony Raymond

Administrative Personnel: Monty Pepper – Superintendent, Glenda Hickey - Director of Business Operations and Shelley Yates -Director of Curriculum and Instruction

Invocation/Pledge: Monty Pepper

Public Hearing: Budget Proposals for the 2025/2026 school year, which covered the General Fund, Child Nutrition and Debt Service Fund.

Action Items:

Mrs. Hickey recommended that the Board approve the 2025/2026 Budget for the General Fund, Child Nutrition and the Debt Service Fund, as presented. Motion was made Danny R. King and seconded by Eric Collins to accept Mrs. Hickey's recommendation. *Vote was unanimous in favor of motion.*

Mrs. Hickey recommended that the Board approve the Final Amended Budget for the General Fund, Child Nutrition, and Debt Service Fund, as presented for the 2024/25 Fiscal Year. Motion was made by Dr. Art Morchat and seconded by Danny R. King to accept Mrs. Hickey's recommendation. *Vote was unanimous in favor of motion.*

Mrs. Hickey recommended that the Board approve \$99,961.60 for the purchase of Chromebooks, as presented, which will cost more than \$50,000. Motion was made by Dr. Art Morchat and seconded by Eric Collins to accept Mrs. Hickey's recommendation. *Vote was unanimous in favor of motion.*

Mrs. Hickey recommended that the Board approve the purchase of roofing repair materials for the HS, as presented, which will cost over \$50,000. Motion was made by Eric Collins and seconded by Danny R. King to accept Mrs. Hickey's recommendation. *Vote was unanimous in favor of motion.*

Mrs. Hickey recommended that the Board accept the donation from City National Bank in the amount of \$1,500.00, as presented. Motion was made by Danny R. King and seconded by Eric Collins to accept Mrs. Hickey's recommendation. *Vote was unanimous in favor of motion.*

Mrs. Hickey recommended that the Board approve Texas Kids First Famer Agency Insurance for our Student Accident Insurance, as presented. Motion was made by Eric Collins and seconded by

Dr. Art Morchat to accept Mrs. Hickey's recommendation. *Vote was unanimous in favor of motion.*

Mrs. Hickey recommended that the Board approve increasing Sabine ISD's monthly contribution toward TRS Active Care Premium to \$380 per month, starting in September, as presented. Motion was made by Danny R. King and seconded by Dr. Art Morchat to accept Mrs. Hickey's recommendation. *Vote was unanimous in favor of motion.*

Mr. Pepper recommended that the Board approve the one-time UIL State Stipends totaling \$15,443.28, as presented. Motion was made by Eric Collins and seconded by Danny R. King to accept Mr. Pepper's recommendation. *Vote was unanimous in favor of motion.*

Mrs. Hickey recommended that the Board approve 2025/2026 Budget Amendment related to HB2's Teacher Retention Allotment/Support Staff Retention Allotment/Basic Cost Allotment and an increase in the basic allotment, as presented. Motion was made by Eric Collins and seconded by Dr. Art Morchat to accept Mrs. Hickey's recommendation. *Vote was unanimous in favor of motion.*

- Non-teaching positions = 4% at midpoint
- Teacher steps 1-2 = \$1,000
- Teacher steps 3-4 = \$4,000
- Teacher steps 5 and above - \$8,000

Eddie Shawn declared closed session under the authority of Texas Open Meetings Act, Texas Government Code Section 551.001, and et seq. at 1:33 pm., which took place in the Sabine ISD Board Room located in the Administrative office.

Eddie Shawn declared open session at 1:58 p.m.

Mr. Pepper recommended that the Board hire the following employees, as presented on Appendix E. Laci Robinson (ABU/DAEP Principal), Blair Cornelius (SLP Asst.), Melanie Elder (OT), Heather Voss (HS English), Irena Hedrick (HS Business), Angie Glenn (7th Grade History) and Kody Cage (BIM/Offensive Coordinator). Andrea Bates made the motion and it was seconded by Eric Collins. *Vote was unanimous in favor of motion.*

A motion was made by Danny R. King to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Eric Collins. *Vote was unanimous in favor of motion.*

Meeting adjourned at 1:59 p.m.
