

Minutes of Workshop Meeting

The Board of Trustees Bastrop Independent School District

A Workshop meeting of the Board of Trustees of Bastrop Independent School District was held Tuesday, May 28, 2013, beginning at 5:30 PM in the Bastrop ISD Service Center, 906 Farm Street, Bastrop, Texas 78602.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

James Allen, President
John Eaton, Vice-President
David Long, Secretary
Glenn Peterson
Ashley Mutschink
Matthew Mix

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Mark Martyn

ALSO PRESENT:

Steve Murray, Superintendent
Barry Edwards, Asst. Superintendent for HR
Janie Pollard, Asst. Superintendent for C&I
Sandra Callahan, Chief Financial Officer
Henry Gideon, Chief Operations Officer
Tessie Young, Director of Federal Programs & Grants
Kathy Cawthron, Director of Elementary Instruction
John Korb, Director of IT Services
Nancy Barrientos, Adm. Asst. to Superintendent

1. Meeting Called to Order

President Allen called the meeting to order at 5:32 p.m. A quorum of Board members was present. The meeting was duly called and notice of the meeting was posted in accordance with the Texas Open Meetings Act.

2. Budget Workshop

Sandra Callahan reviewed the 2013-14 proposed budget information. Mrs. Callahan reviewed the needs assessment for building the budget. She reported that the district is recommending changes to the bilingual program due to the large increase of bilingual student population. Mrs. Callahan stated that among the recommendation is an increase in the bilingual stipend, adding that the district is losing bilingual teachers to surrounding districts.

Mrs. Callahan reviewed class size comparisons and considerations. She reported that an action plan was created for scheduling and there would be master schedule training to reduce class sizes in February. Mrs. Callahan reported that the proposed budget includes 7 new positions for growth.

Mrs. Callahan reported that district administration has met with librarians and informed them of the plan to bring them back full-time in 2014-15. She added that librarians would be taken out of the rotation, and 2 additional work days will be added for them in 2013-14. Mrs. Callahan reported that a 9% increase (\$10,000) has been added to the public relations budget.

Mrs. Callahan reported a slight increase in property values. She stated that there would be a Public Hearing to adopt the budget on June 4th, and the tax rate will be set at the September 18th board meeting.

Mr. Eaton commented that there is a lot of good news in this year's budget.

3. Adjournment

There being no further business, John Eaton moved and Glenn Peterson seconded to adjourn the meeting at 6:15 p.m.

Board Secretary

Board President