

Minutes of Regular Meeting

The Board of Trustees Bastrop Independent School District

A Regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of Bastrop Independent School District was held Tuesday, February 17, 2015, beginning at 5:30 PM in the Bastrop ISD Service Center, 906 Farm Street, Bastrop, Texas 78602.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

James Allen, President
David Long, Vice-President
Ashley Mutschink, Secretary
Matthew Mix
Molly McClure
Billy Moore
Glenn Peterson

MEMBERS ABSENT:

None

ALSO PRESENT:

Cliff Sparks
Monica Tyson
Sierra Tyson
Allison Malone
Dayna Bradford
Becky McCredy
Bruce Norman
Sue Lara
Zoe Zamora
Shannon Klaus
Fran Hunter
Kathleen Moore

OTHERS PRESENT:

Steve Murray, Superintendent
Barry Edwards, Deputy Superintendent for Administrative Services
Janie Pollard, Asst. Superintendent for C&I
Sandra Callahan, Chief Financial Officer
Henry Gideon, Chief Operations Officer
Donald Williams, Ex. Dir. Of Communications/Comm. Svcs.
Tessie Young, Director of Compliance & Grants
Camille Smith, Director of Assessment & Student Support
Kathy Cawthron, Director of Elementary Instruction
Sarah Brightwell, Director of
John Korb, Director of IT Services
Michele Martella, Director of Special Education
Les Hudson, Director of Career & Technology
Sami Kinsey, Bastrop Middle School Principal
Dr. Jason Hewitt, Bastrop High School Principal
Clifton Ames, Child Nutrition Director
Adelaida Olivares, Cedar Creek High School Principal
Melinda Marquez, Cedar Creek Elementary Principal
Nancy Barrientos, Adm. Asst. to Superintendent
Arlene Caldwell
Karen Dolle
Rebecca Bennett
Dock Jackson

1. Opening, Pledge, Recognitions and Open Forum

A. Meeting Called to Order

President Allen called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. A quorum of board members was present. The meeting was duly called and notice of this meeting was posted in accordance with the Texas Open Meetings Act.

B. Pledge of Allegiance

The Board of Trustees led the Pledge of Allegiance.

C. Pledge of Allegiance to the Texas Flag

The Board of Trustees led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Texas Flag

D. Opening Prayer

Cliff Sparks with Bastrop Christian Outreach Center offered the opening prayer.

E. Student Speaker on Character Education Trait for February – Justice

Sierra Tyson, an 8th grader at Bastrop Middle School, spoke to the board about Justice. Sierra is responsible for presenting the morning announcements, is the Vice-President of NJHS, in the Student Council and in the Geo-Chicks Science Club. She also plays volleyball, basketball and runs track, but her favorite sport is soccer. Sierra is a math whiz who excels in Algebra. She is happiest when she is hanging out with friends, going to a sporting event, babysitting, being a referee for the BYSO or volunteering at the Animal Shelter. Sierra is the daughter of James and Monica Tyson.

F. Introduction of Representatives from the Superintendent's Student Advisory Council

Mr. Murray introduced BHS Junior Zoe Zamora and CCHS Junior Shannon Klaus representing the SSAC this month. Board members asked the young ladies a couple of questions about the SSAC and their plans for the future.

G. Special Presentations and Recognitions

1. Presentation of Proclamation by the City of Bastrop for Black History Month

Bastrop Councilman Dock Jackson, on behalf of the Bastrop Mayor and City Council, presented a Proclamation by the City of Bastrop for Black History Month.

2. Special Recognition of Cedar Creek Middle School and Bastrop Middle School Cafe Staff for their Role in Support of the Balance Kitchen Concept

Bruce Norman, Regional VP of Chartwells, recognized Cedar Creek Middle School and Bastrop Middle School staff for their role in support of the balance kitchen concept. He stated that students are responding to the kitchen upgrade, noting that participation is up in both schools. Jennifer Boesch, District Manager of Chartwells, thanked Mr. Murray and the board for their support, as well as Mr. Gideon, Mrs. Callahan and Mr. Williams.

H. Open Forum

1. Vera Preston-Jaeger

Dr. Jaeger spoke to the board about testing. She suggested the district give only one test to get students ready, but added that the district needs to allow teachers time to teach the material.

2. Superintendent's Report and Board Discussion

A. Curriculum Report

1. Presentation on Portal Classes

Les Hudson presented information on career portal classes for 7th graders at both middle schools. He explained that the portal classes introduces students to career opportunities and helps students explore the 5 endorsements on the new graduation plan and learn about the pathways that lead to the endorsements.

B. Financial Report

Information was provided to the Board. There was no discussion.

C. Personnel Report

Information was provided to the Board. There was no discussion.

D. Communications / Community Services Report

1. Strategic Planning Update

Information was provided to the Board. Donald Williams reported that the district is in year four of the strategic plan.

2. Beyond the Bell Presentation

Donald Williams & Sarah Brightwell presented information on the Beyond the Bell program. Ms. Brightwell reported that a new “Beyond the Bell” website will be launched soon. The following programs are included under the “Beyond the Bell” umbrella: the ACE program (currently at Genesis High School and Cedar Creek High School and funded by the 21st Century Grant), STARS (afterschool and summer childcare program), Beyond the Bell (new program this year at the intermediate and middle school campuses), Beyond the Bell Community (formerly Community Education – offering a variety of classes), Stuff the Bus (partnership with HEB – handed out 1,200 backpacks full of school supplies this year), Back to School Bash (over 4,000 attendees and 100+ organizations participated, including an immunization van provided by Seton Partnership), and the Celebration of Love (partnered with Toys for Tots – provided 104 BISD families with Christmas dinner and gifts).

3. Texas Public Schools Week

Information was provided to the Board. Mr. Williams reported that Texas Public Schools Week is March 2-6, 2015. He stated that he has contacted campuses to obtain special events going on at campuses and will post the events on the districts’ website.

3. Consent Agenda

A. Consider Approval of Minutes of January 15 and 20, 2015

B. Consider Approval of Bids

1. Sole Source Purchases over \$25,000

C. Consider Approval of District Investment Report

D. Consider Approval of Tax Refunds

E. Consider Approval of IMA Expense Report

F. Consider Approval of General Fund Budget Amendment

President Allen asked if any Board member wanted to pull any of the consent agenda items for discussion. There being none, President Allen asked for a motion. Ashley Mutschink moved and Glenn Peterson seconded to approve the consent agenda items as follows: the minutes of January 15 and 20, 2015; the purchase from Scholastic, Inc. for literacy libraries at CCIS and BIS in the amount of \$49,911.82; the District Investment Report for January 2015; the tax refunds over \$2500; the IMA Expense Report for January 2015; and the General Fund Budget Amendment as presented.

4. Action Items

A. Consider Approval of School Calendar for the 2015-2016 School Year

David Long moved and Matthew Mix seconded to approve the school calendar for the 2015-2016 school year as presented. President Allen asked for comments or questions. There being

none, President Allen called for a vote.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

B. Consider Approval of Resolution Authorizing Tax Resale

Ashley Mutschink moved and Glenn Peterson seconded to approve the Resolution Authorizing Tax Resale as presented. President Allen asked for comments or questions. There being none, President Allen called for a vote.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

C. Consider Changing the Date of the Regular March School Board Meeting

Superintendent Steve Murray asked the Board to change the date of the regular March School Board meeting to Tuesday, March 24, 2015 due to Spring Break. Mr. Murray also told the Board that he'd like to have the March meeting at Cedar Creek High School.

Glenn Peterson moved and Billy Moore seconded to change the date of the Regular March School Board meeting to Tuesday, March 24, 2015 and change the location of the meeting to Cedar Creek High School. President Allen asked for comments or questions. There being none, President Allen called for a vote.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

D. Consider Approval of Proposal for Insurance Benefits Consulting Services #2015-02

Barry Edwards reported that the district received eleven proposals for insurance benefits consulting services and three finalists were chosen for presentation. Mr. Edwards recommended the Board award the contract for Insurance Benefits Consulting Services to TCG Consulting.

Ashley Mutschink moved and Matthew Mix seconded to award the contract for Insurance Benefits Consulting Services to TCG Consulting. President Allen asked for comments or questions. There being none, President Allen called for a vote.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

5. Information Items

A. District Wide Calendar

Information was provided to the Board. There was no discussion.

B. Enrollment

Information was provided to the Board. There was no discussion.

C. 2015-2016 Budget Calendar

Information was provided to the Board. There was no discussion.

D. TASB Policy Update 101

Information was provided to the Board. There was no discussion.

E. Revisions to TASB Policy BE (LOCAL)

Information was provided to the Board. There was no discussion.

F. Revisions to TASB Policy FM (LOCAL)

Information was provided to the Board. There was no discussion.

6. Closed Session

The Board of Trustees adjourned to Closed Session at 6:31 p.m. on Tuesday, February 17, 2015.

A. Personnel Matters (551.074)

1. Administrator's Contracts

7. Action Resulting from Closed Session

The board reconvened in open session at 6:58 p.m. on Tuesday, February 17, 2015.

Ashley Mutschink moved and Matthew Mix seconded to approve the administrator’s contracts as indicated. President Allen asked for comments or questions. There being none, President Allen called for a vote.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

LAST NAME	FIRST NAME	TERM	MONTHS	YEARS
ADAMS	ELISSA	PROBATIONARY	11	2015-2016
ADAMS	SHAWN	2	12	2015-2017
AGUILAR	JOANN	PROBATIONARY	12	2015-2016
ALFORD	PATRICIA	2	12	2015-2017
AUTREY	LINDA	PROBATIONARY	11	2015-2016
AUTREY	STEPHEN	2	12	2015-2017
BATTLE	RICHARD	PROBATIONARY	11	2015-2016
BLOCK	ROBERT	PROBATIONARY	12	2015-2016
BRIGHTWELL	SARAH	2	12	2015-2017
CALLAHAN	SANDRA	2	12	2015-2017
CONRARDY	MARTIN	2	12	2015-2017
CORNELIUS	BRIDGETTE	2	12	2015-2017
EBERLY	DEREK	2	12	2015-2017
EDWARDS	BARRON	2	12	2015-2017
EISEN	LINDY	2	12	2015-2017
FOSTER	STEPHANIE	2	11	2015-2017
GAINES	LASHUN	2	12	2015-2017
GARDNER	MELINDA	2	11	2015-2017
GIDEON	STACI	2	12	2015-2017
GUERRA	SARA	2	12	2015-2017
HALL	ALISON	2	11	2015-2017
HALLAMEK	JAMES	2	12	2015-2017
HENSARLING	ROBERT	PROBATIONARY	12	2015-2016
HEWITT	JASON	2	12	2015-2017
HRANITZKY	JENNIFER	PROBATIONARY	12	2015-2016
HUBLEY	KELLY	PROBATIONARY	11	2015-2016
HUDSON	LESLIE	2	12	2015-2017
KELLY	CHRISTINE	2	12	2015-2017
KING	REBA	2	12	2015-2017

KINSEY	SAMI	2	12	2015-2017
KORB	JOHN	2	12	2015-2017
KOVAR	MELANIE	2	11	2015-2017
KRCMAR	LAURA	PROBATIONARY	12	2015-2016
MARQUEZ	MELINDA	2	12	2015-2017
MARTELLA	CYNTHIA	2	12	2015-2017
MELGAR-COOK	PATRICIA	PROBATIONARY	12	2015-2016
NOZICK	SUSAN	PROBATIONARY	12	2015-2016
OLIVAREZ	ADELAIDA	2	12	2015-2017
PATMON	TODD	2	12	2015-2017
PIETSCH	SHELLY	2	11	2015-2017
POLLARD	JANE	2	12	2015-2017
RODGERS	JACKIE	2	12	2015-2017
ROLL	NANCY	2	12	2015-2017
SCHUELKE	MELISSA	2	12	2015-2017
SMITH	CAMILLE	2	12	2015-2017
THOMAS	CELINA	2	12	2015-2017
TUCKER	HEATHER	2	11	2015-2017
UNDERWOOD	TAMARA	2	12	2015-2017
WASHINGTON	ROBERT	2	12	2015-2017
WILLIAMS	DONALD	2	12	2015-2017
WILLOUGHBY	MARK	2	12	2015-2017
WOOLF	AARON	2	12	2015-2017
WYSOCKI	ELIZABETH	2	12	2015-2017
YOUNG	TERESA	2	12	2015-2017

8. Adjournment

There being no further business, Glenn Peterson moved and Ashley Mutschink seconded to adjourn the meeting at 6:59 p.m.

Board Secretary

Board President