

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 16, 2016, beginning at 5:30 PM in the Bastrop ISD Service Center, 906 Farm Street, Bastrop, Texas 78602.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

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

MEMBERS ABSENT:

None

ALSO PRESENT:

Kieran Dunn
Natasha Cosme-Batista
Benjamin Cole
Kendall Hause
Alex Peterson
Sandy Martinez-Nava
City Councilman Dock Jackson

OTHERS PRESENT:

Steve Murray, Superintendent
Barry Edwards, Deputy Superintendent for Administrative Services
Janie Pollard, Asst. Superintendent for C&I
Jeffrey Yarbrough, Chief of Police/Director of Operations
Sandra Callahan, Chief Financial Officer
Penne' Liefer, Chief Academic Officer
Emily Parks, Executive Director of Communications & Community Partnerships
Terrell King, Executive Director of Human Resources
Jackie Waneck, Director of Special Education Services
Camille Smith, Director of Assessment & Student Support
Patricia Melgar-Cook, Director of Bilingual / ESL
Nancy Roll, Director of Professional Learning, Grants, Fed. Programs
Melinda Gardner, Lost Pines Elementary Principal
Stephen Autrey, Bastrop Intermediate Principal
Les Hudson, Director of CTE
Reina Gallegos, Parental Involvement/Homeless Liaison
Claudia Munoz, Migrant Services Coordinator
Tammy Rebollar, Migrant Student Advocate
Sarah Brightwell, Director of Community Services
Nancy Barrientos, Adm. Asst. to Superintendent

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

Glenn Peterson offered the opening prayer.

E. Special Presentations and Recognitions

1. Special Presentation to the Board of Trustees from State Representative John Cyrier

State Representative John Cyrier presented the Board of Trustees a flag that had flown over the State Capitol and a certificate of appreciation in honor of School Board Appreciation Month.

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

Bastrop City Councilman Dock Jackson presented the district with a Proclamation on behalf of the City of Bastrop Proclaiming February as Black History Month.

F. Student Speakers on Character Education Trait for February - Justice & Honesty

Harper Jimenez, a 6th grader at Bastrop Intermediate School, spoke on the February Community Character trait of Justice. Harper enjoys playing basketball and is a point guard for the Suns. He also enjoys skateboarding in his free time. At school, his favorite class is Math. He was knighted for the virtue of humility this school year in an Early Act First Knight Ceremony. When he grows up, Harper hopes to become a chemist. His parents are Trent & Tiffany Jimenez.

Bastrop Intermediate 6th grader Angeline Serratos spoke this evening on the Early Act First Knight virtue of honesty. Angeline enjoys spending time with her cousins and playing games like tag. Her favorite class is Math. When she grows up, Angeline hopes to become a nutritionist because she wants to study health and how to be healthy. Angeline's parents are Brenda Chavez and Jose Serratos.

Board Vice-President Mutschink thanked Mr. Autrey for making a difference at Bastrop Intermediate School.

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

Superintendent Murray introduced representatives from the Superintendent's Student Advisory Councils: CCHS Senior – Benjamin Cole; CCHS Sophomore – Kendall Haase; BHS Junior – Alex Peterson; BHS Junior – Natasha Cosme-Batista; and CRCA student Kieran Dunn. The students answered a few questions and told the board a little about themselves.

H. Open Forum

1. Isabelle Warby

BHS Junior Isabelle Warby presented a petition asking for the board to allow young adults (high school students) to have the freedom to color their hair. President Allen explained that the Board was unable to respond

to the request since the item was not listed on tonight's agenda.

2. Sandy Martinez-Nava

Sandy Martinez-Nava with Superior Healthcare announced that Bastrop ISD was the recipient of a \$5,000 grant that was awarded to the homeless and migrant programs. She congratulated Reina Gallegos, Claudia Munoz and Tammy Rebolgar for writing the grant. Ms. Gallegos said some of the funds from the grant will help at risk students go on college tours.

2. Superintendent's Report and Board Discussion

A. Financial Report

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

B. Personnel Report

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

3. Consent Agenda

A. Consider Approval of Minutes of January 14 and 19, 2016

B. Consider Approval of District Investment Report

C. Consider Approval of Tax Refunds

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. Matthew Mix moved and Ashley Mutschink seconded to approve the consent agenda items as follows: the minutes of January 14 and 19, 2016; the District Investment Report for January 2016; and the tax refunds over \$2,500 as presented.

4. Action Items

A. Consider Approval of School Calendar for the 2016-2017 School Year

Jane Pollard presented a draft of the school calendar for the 2016-2017 school year. She reported that the District Education Improvement Committee prepared three draft calendars and the three calendars were shared with district staff. The calendar presented this evening won the majority vote from staff. Mrs. Pollard reviewed the key facts that were considered in the creation of the calendar: House Bill 2610 changed the calendar requirements from 187 days to 75,600 minutes for students; and teachers are required to have 187 calendar days.

Ashley Mutschink moved and Billy Moore seconded to approve the school calendar for the 2016-2017 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 Changing the Date of the Regular March School Board Meeting

Superintendent Murray explained that the date of the regular board meeting was the week of Spring Break, and asked the board to change the date of the regular March school board meeting to the Tuesday after Spring Break.

Molly McClure moved and Matthew Mix seconded to change the date of the regular March School Board meeting to Tuesday, March 22, 2016. President Allen asked for comments or questions. There being none, President Allen called for a vote.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

C. Consider all matters incident and related to the issuance and sale of Bastrop Independent School District Unlimited Tax Refunding Bonds, Series 2016, including the adoption of an order authorizing the issuance of such bonds, establishing parameters for the sale and issuance of such bonds and delegating certain matters to an authorized official of the District

Sandra Callahan reviewed savings potentially available to the district by refunding a portion of its existing Unlimited Tax School Building Bonds, Series 2009 at a lower interest rate. She reported a potential savings of a minimum of \$1.2 million. Mrs. Callahan added that prior refunding bond sales have generated over \$27.5 million of savings for District taxpayers over the last 5 years.

Billy Moore moved and Glenn Peterson seconded to Consider all matters incident and related to the issuance and sale of Bastrop Independent School District Unlimited Tax Refunding Bonds, Series 2016, including the adoption of an order authorizing the issuance of such bonds, establishing parameters for the sale and issuance of such bonds and delegating certain matters to an authorized official of the District. 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. 2016-2017 Budget Calendar

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

Lost Pines Elementary Principal Melinda Gardner presented highlights from her campus which include the “Keep Me Safe” campaign about texting and driving; Genius Hour; Passion Projects (Fair to be held at the end of the school year); Destination Imagination Team; 55 students participated in UIL last weekend;

Student Advisory Council; Local Service Project – Relay for Life; Students participating at the Austin Energy Regional Science Fair; and two new programs at LPE – Formative Loop for 1st-4th grades starting each morning at 7:31 a.m. and English High Frequency Words where all students are working to master 1,000 English site words by the end of 3rd or 4th grade. Mrs. Gardner thanked the dedicated and hardworking students and staff at Lost Pines.

6. Closed Session

The Board of Trustees convened in Closed Session at 6:30 p.m. on Tuesday, February 16, 2016 as allowed by the Texas Government Code 551.074, 551.071 and 551.072.

A. Personnel Matters (551.074)

1. Administrator's Contracts

B. Attorney Consultation (551.071)

Real Property (551.072)

1. Consultation with Legal Counsel regarding Pine Forest Unit 6

7. Action Resulting from Closed Session

The Board reconvened in open session at 7:10 p.m. on Tuesday, February 16, 2016.

A1. Billy Moore moved and Glenn Peterson seconded to offer administrators’ contracts as indicated in closed session. 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	2	11	2016-2018
ADAMS	SHAWN	2	12	2016-2018
AGUILAR	JOANN	2	12	2016-2018
ALFORD	PATRICIA	2	12	2016-2018
ALLEN	EMILY	2	11	2016-2018
AUTREY	LINDA	2	11	2016-2018
AUTREY	STEPHEN	2	12	2016-2018
BAIN	EMILY	PROBATIONARY	12	2016-2017
BENNIGHT	NATALIE	2	12	2016-2018
BRIGHTWELL	SARAH	2	12	2016-2018
BROWN	DANIEL	2	12	2016-2018
BURNETT	WINDY	2	11	2016-2018
CALLAHAN	SANDRA	2	12	2016-2018
CONRARDY	MARTIN	2	12	2016-2018
CORNELIUS	BRIDGETTE	2	12	2016-2018

DAVIS	JAMES	2	12	2016-2018
EBERLY	DEREK	2	12	2016-2018
EDWARDS	BARRON	2	12	2016-2018
EDWARDS	JON	2	12	2016-2018
GABRIEL	KRYSTAL	2	12	2016-2018
GARDNER	MELINDA	2	12	2016-2018
GOSELINK	JOHN	2	12	2016-2018
GUERRERO	DENISE	PROBATIONARY	11	2016-2017
HALL	ALISON	2	12	2016-2018
HENSARLING	ROBERT	2	12	2016-2018
HEWITT	JASON	2	12	2016-2018
HEWITT	LISA	2	11	2016-2018
HRANITZKY	JENNIFER	2	12	2016-2018
HUBLEY	KELLY	2	11	2016-2018
HUDSON	LESLIE	2	12	2016-2018
JONES	ROBERT	2	12	2016-2018
JULIAN	CHRISTOPHER	2	12	2016-2018
KELLY	CHRISTINE	2	12	2016-2018
KING	REBA	2	12	2016-2018
KING	TERRELL	2	12	2016-2018
KOVAR	MELANIE	2	11	2016-2018
KRCMAR	LAURA	2	12	2016-2018
LIEFER	PENNE	2	12	2016-2018
MELGAR-COOK	PATRICIA	2	12	2016-2018
PACHECO	YOLANDA	2	11	2016-2018
PARKS	EMILY	PROBATIONARY	12	2016-2017
PATMON	TODD	2	12	2016-2018
PIETSCH	SHELLY	2	11	2016-2018
POLLARD	JANE	2	12	2016-2018
RIBBLE	DEBORA	2	11	2016-2018
SCHUELKE	MELISSA	2	12	2016-2018
SHARP	RANDY	2	12	2016-2018
SMITH	CAMILLE	2	12	2016-2018
STEPHENS	DEIDRA	2	11	2016-2018
TEAGUE	DANA	PROBATIONARY	12	2016-2017
TORRES	EDGAR	2	12	2016-2018
TUCKER	HEATHER	2	11	2016-2018
WANECK	JACKIE	2	12	2016-2018
WASHINGTON	ROBERT	2	12	2016-2018
WATSON	ANGELIA	2	12	2016-2018
WILLETT	LESLIE	2	11	2016-2018

WILLOUGHBY	MARK	2	12	2016-2018
WYSOCKI	ELIZABETH	2	12	2016-2018
YARBROUGH	JEFFERY	PROBATIONARY	12	2016-2017
ZEMO	CHARLOTTE	PROBATIONARY	11	2016-2017

B1. There was no action resulting from closed session on this item.

8. Adjournment

There being no further business, Ashley Mutschink moved and Glenn Peterson seconded to adjourn the meeting at 7:12 p.m.

Board Secretary

Board President