

Minutes of Regular Meeting

January 23, 2017

A Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees of Santa Fe ISD was held Monday, January 23, 2017, beginning at 7:00 PM in the Cowan Education Center Board Room, 4133 Warpath, Santa Fe, TX 77510.

I. CALL TO ORDER

Mr. Norman called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm, in the Board room.

II. MEMBERS PRESENT/ABSENT

Present were: Rusty Norman, John Rothermel, Sheryl Skufca, John Snider, Patrick Kelly, Eric Davenport and Wayne Logan. Dr. Wall was in attendance.

III. EXECUTIVE SESSION, CHAPTER 551

The Board went into closed session at 6:00 pm, in the executive conference room. Personnel was the topic of discussion. The Board adjourned closed session to attend the Board appreciation dinner. The Board reconvened in open session at 7:03 pm, in the Board room.

IV BOARD APPRECIATION DINNER

Following executive session, the Board went to the staff dining room where they were treated to a wonderful dinner in recognition of School Board Appreciation Month. Students from the Culinary class at Santa Fe High School along with their teacher, Mr. Perkins prepared and served the meal which consisted of House Caesar Salad, Chateaubriand Beef Fillet, Potatoes Carrots, Haricot Verts and Crème Puffs for dessert. The Board member's spouses were also in attendance at this very special dinner.

V. RECONVENE: INVOCATION AND PLEDGES

Mr. Rothermel gave the invocation and all recited pledges.

VI. SCHOOL OFFICIALS PRESENT

Bob Atkins, Rachel Blundell, Cherie Bowers, Walter Braun, Lindsey Foley, Patti Hanssard, Mark Kanipes, Destini Martin, David McMillian, Rick Morrill, Kathy Oliver, Julie Pittman, Michelle Pourchot, Kim Ross, Jackie Shuman and Lee Townsend.

Others Present:

Kurt Kovacevich, Donna Davis, Anna Marie Milligan, Lori Marks, Brandy Meade, Kelly Logan, Mayor Jeff Tambrella, Christi Norman, Allison Kelly, Lisa Snider, Jan Rothermel, Gail Ballinger, Angela Sumrall, Patricia Allen, Shirley Richards and Kari Kovacevich

VII. ACTION FROM CLOSED SESSION: CHAPTER 551

- A. Mr. Logan made a motion to employ for 2016-2017 school year the following as teacher for 95/187 days Peggy La Rue Gavin, as teacher for 97/187 days, Nichole Bracknell and as teacher for 89/187 days, Johnnie Holt. Mrs. Skufca seconded and all voted in favor.

VIII. RECOGNITIONS

The Board recognizes students and staff each month at the regularly scheduled Board meeting. The following were recognized at the January meeting.

- A. **Employees of the Month** – Gail Ballinger (RJW); Angela Sumrall (Kubacak); Patricia Allen (Jr. High); Daniel Vaughn (H.S.); Shirley Richards (Transportation); Harold Seese (M & O); Graciela Bautista (Custodial); San Juanita Hernandez (Nutrition Services); Kari Kovacevich (Admin.)
- B. In appreciation of School Board Recognition Month, the Mayor of Santa Fe Mr. Jeff

Tambrella presented the Board with a proclamation. Mayor Tambrella read the proclamation and presented it to President, Rusty Norman on behalf of the City and community. This year's theme was "All-Star Team."

IX. PUBLIC FORUM

No one signed up to speak at the Board meeting.

X. INFORMATION ITEMS

- A. The Board reviewed monthly reports on personnel, child nutrition, tax collection, transportation, finance, police department, maintenance and campuses. Mr. Atkins updated the Board on maintenance projects throughout the District. Mr. Norman requested that Mr. Atkins further investigate land for the new elementary school, to be reviewed in more detail at a future meeting in February, if possible.
- B. Mrs. Townsend updated the Board on the Quarterly Investment Report for the 2nd Quarter.
- C. Mrs. Townsend presented the BuyBoard Co-Op Management Rebate Report. She reported that SFISD received a rebate in the amount of \$6,840.55.
- D. Chief Braun presented the annual Racial Profiling Report to the Board.

XI. CONSENT AGENDA

Mr. Rothermel made a motion to approve the following consent agenda items as presented. Mr. Davenport seconded and all voted in favor.

- A. Minutes of December 12, 2016 and December 14, 2016
- B. Accounts Payable 782,943.03
- C. Budget Amendment #5
- D. Student Transfers
- E. Class Size Waiver Application
- F. Early Release Days Expedited Waiver
- G. SFHS Waiver for Modified Schedule/State Assessment Testing Days
- H. Staff Development Days Waiver

XII. REGULAR AGENDA

- A. Mr. Logan made a motion to approve the submission to the Texas Legislature the Resolution calling for the 85th State Legislature to repeal the A-F Accountability Rating System for Texas schools and districts. The resolution recommends development of a community-based accountability system that empowers school districts to design systems of assessment and accountability thus reducing the use of high-stakes, standardized tests. Mrs. Skufca seconded and all voted in favor.
- B. Mr. Logan made a motion to proclaim February 1-28th as Career & Technical Education Month in Santa Fe ISD. Mr. Rothermel seconded and all voted in favor.
- C. Mrs. Skufca made a motion to proclaim February 6-10th as National School Counseling Week in Santa Fe ISD. Mr. Logan seconded and all voted in favor.
- D. Mr. Logan made a motion to reward donations from Santa Fe Texas Education Foundation grant awards in December for \$56,014.01. Mr. Rothermel seconded and all voted in favor.
- E. Mr. Rothermel made a motion to approve the investment policy resolutions including

- names of brokers, investment options and investment officers. Mrs. Skufca seconded and all voted in favor.
- F. Mr. Logan made a motion to approve the two-year extended service contract renewal for the SAN and Blade Server not to exceed the total amount of \$37,596.17. Mr. Davenport seconded and all voted in favor.
- G. Mr. Davenport made a motion to approve the donation from TDCJ for 60 desktop computers and monitors to be used as part of the district's computer refresh and upgrades. Mr. Rothermel seconded and all voted in favor.
- H. Mrs. Skufca made a motion to approve the purchase of four new 77 passenger CNG powered School Buses, not to exceed \$520,000.00, with the HGAC grant reimbursement of \$260,000.00. Mr. Snider seconded and all voted in favor.
- I. Mr. Logan made a motion to approve the contract with Market Place Alliance, LLC for managing the food co-op for February 1, 2017 through January 31, 2018. Mrs. Skufca seconded and all voted in favor.
- J. Mr. Snider made a motion to approve the purchase from Edu-Source Corp, in the amount of \$36,115.85 for furniture, art and paint for the new serving line at the High School. Mr. Davenport seconded and all voted in favor.
- K. Mr. Rothermel made a motion to approve the purchase of a van for (\$30,725.75) and maintenance truck for (\$36,702.42) for the YUM! Nutrition Services Department, not to exceed the total amount of \$67,500.00. Mr. Logan seconded and all voted in favor.
- L. Mr. Rothermel made a motion to table the naming of an architect firm to Design the new elementary school until a special meeting can be scheduled for further discussion. Mrs. Skufca seconded and all voted in favor.

XIII. BOARD COMMUNICATION

Ms. Hanssard

- Shared with principals that Staff Attendance was at 95.37 for the year and that the H.S. had the highest attendance for December at 96.19%.. Reminded everyone of the Volleyball banquet set for Thursday at the high school cafeteria. The production of High School Musical begins this week. Thanked the principals and staff for working together to allow younger students to attend Fine Art events at the high school. Thanked the Board for their service and stated what a pleasure it is to work with and for you all.

Mrs. Townsend

- Thanked the Board for their service and leadership and wished everyone a great week.

Mr. Snider

- Personally thanked Dr. Wall and Administrators on all the hard work they do to educate the students.

Mr. Kelly

- Thanked everyone for the presentations and Dr. Wall and staff for all they do. Proud to be a part of the Board and appreciate the other Board members as well.

Dr. Shuman

- Thanked the Board members for their service and all the time they put in for the District. Proud of the CTE, Culinary Arts students and their teacher Mr. Perkins for preparing a wonderful meal and their willingness to serve.

Mr. Logan

- Thanked the Culinary students for the meal and the principal's for all that they do and their staff attendance numbers were awesome. Thanked everyone for attending. Attended the Cheerleading competition this weekend in Dallas. The girls did a great job!

Mrs. Skufca

- Thanked everyone for all their thank you's. Shared that the Board would not be able to accomplish all they do without the wonderful staff. Appreciate everyone's efforts.

Mr. Rothermel

- Thanked everyone for a very special night, great meal and great company. Thanked everyone for attending and stated we have the best administrators and staff in the U.S.!

Mr. Davenport

- Thanked everyone for attending. Thanked Coach Kanipes and Coach Mill for being here tonight.

Mr. Norman

- Thanked everyone for their efforts in planning for the future and the betterment of our students.

Dr. Wall

- Reminded everyone of the Board Workshop and Special Meeting scheduled for February 16th. We are blessed to be a part of this great District and community. We could not ask for a better School Board or staff. Thank you all for being a part of it and making a difference in the lives of many children.

XIV. ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Snider made a motion to adjourn at 8:26 pm. Mr. Rothermel seconded and all voted in favor.

We affirm that these minutes are official, complete and correct.

J.R. Norman
President

Sheryl L. Skufca
Secretary

Date Minutes Approved: February 20, 2017