

Minutes of Regular Meeting February 16, 2015

A Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees of Santa Fe ISD was held Monday, February 16, 2015, beginning at 7:00 PM in the Cowan Education Center Board Room, 4133 Warpath, Santa Fe, TX 77510.

I. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m., in the Board room.

II. MEMBERS PRESENT/ABSENT

Present were Billy Burns, Theresa Herzog, John Rothermel, Sheryl Skufca and Bridget Tacquard. Rusty Norman arrived at 7:06 p.m. Absent was Jason O'Brien. Dr. Wall was in attendance.

III. EXECUTIVE SESSION, CHAPTER 551

The Board went into closed session at 6:00 p.m., in the executive conference room. Personnel was the topic of discussion. The Board reconvened in open session at 7:00 p.m.

IV. RECONVENE INVOCATION AND PLEDGES

Mr. Rothermel gave the invocation and all recited the pledges.

SCHOOL OFFICIALS PRESENT

Bob Atkins, Rachel Blundell, Cherie Bowers, Walter Braun, Donna Carlson, Colleen Dale, Lee Davidson, Lindsey Foley, Patti Hanssard, Destini Martin, David McMillian, Rick Morrill, Kathy Oliver, Julie Pittman, Jackie Shuman

Others Present:

James Harvey, Kurt Kovacevich, Kim Patterson, Anna Marie Milligan, Matthew Raines, Kelly and Wayne Logan, Kristen Pfaff, David Silva, Robert Bear, Tom Linklater and Debbie Maly

V. ACTION FROM CLOSED SESSION, CHAPTER 551

There was no action taken.

VI. RECOGNITION

A. Students and Staff

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

Kubacak Elem. – 5th Grade Safety Patrol were recognized for their exceptional leadership skills: Allison Walton, Gericka Jankowski, Katie Wilks, Zachery Cotton, Abbie Hart, Taya Garland, Noe Rico, Abigail Blundell, Kailey Buck, E.J. Wagner, Blayne Recknor, Katy Rogillio, Jacob Cyr, Sully Perkins, Abbie Hardesty, Ava Leach, Shaye LaBeth and Caroline Boysen.

Houston Livestock Show & Art Winners: Aubrey Withers, RJW Elem.; Jake Hart, Kubacak Elem. Jr. High- Michael Moellenkamp, 8th Grade; Ethan Baccinelli, 6th Grade. H.S. – Raven Gordon, 10th Grade; Pablo Esparza, 10th Grade.

Jr. High -2nd Nine Weeks Pride Students are: 8th Grade – Gracie Hamilton, Tyler Sister, and Sarah Zaro. 7th Grade – Michael Wesley, Oldrich Firasek, Noah Silva, 6th Grade – Madison Hayes, Wirada "Mint" Khatsi and Adam Boehnke

H.S. – Health Occupation Students of America (HOSA) Club students advancing to Area 2 Competition are: Emily Hingle, Kaitlyn Richards, Tiffany Wick, Hailee Ferrino and Rainey Minks. Teacher is Lacey Glover

H.S. – Band students attended the annual UIL Solo and Ensemble contest at Pearland H.S. The following students received a rating of Superior and will be advancing to State competition in Austin: Matthew Warren, Adrian Boehnke, Haley Brantner, Peter Luong, Hallie Waghalter, Erica Werner, Darion Farina, John Keller, Ricky Lopez, Nathan McCarvell, Lizvette Rivera, Bryce Lewis, McKenzie Brown, Kason McCaskill, Grace Johnson, Allen Jorgenson, Kendall Kantowski, Ann Lummus, Jordan Mendoza, John Overbeck, Brad Pourchot, Brandon Thompson and Grace Wagner. Directors are Matthew Raines and Patrick O'Donnell.

H.S. – Student Julio Juarez is being recognized by SFJH Associate Principal, Mrs. Kim Ross for his heroic actions on December 17, 2014. Julio was on the school bus that was involved in an accident. The bus driver was injured and unable to implement an action plan. Julio calmly moved the students to the front of the bus and was very compassionate and helpful to the upset students and injured bus driver.

Finance Department – The SFISD Finance Department was awarded the Leadership Circle “Platinum” Award from the Comptroller of Public Accounts. Platinum is the highest level of financial transparency.

Transportation – Mr. Ron Willoughby was awarded the PCAT District bus driver of the year award. Representative Mr. Tom Linklater presented him with a trophy, jacket and \$100 check.

Employees of the Month – Debbie Maly-RJW, Caren Hertenberger-Kuback Elem., Kelly Logan-Jr. High, Peter Kinser-H.S., Deena Painter-Transp., Stephen Russell-Maint., Aleida Benavides-Custodial, Robbie Spencer-Child Nutrition, Tia Timm-Administration.

VII. PUBLIC FORUM

No one signed up to speak at the Board meeting.

VIII. INFORMATION

- A. The Board reviewed monthly reports on personnel, child nutrition, tax collection, technology, transportation, finance, police department, maintenance, grants and campuses.
- B. Ms. Davidson reviewed the revised 1st Quarter Quarterly Investment Report that was presented to the Board in January.
- C. Ms. Davidson updated the Board on the Property Value Study Appeals and Taxable Value Audits and noted that the 2014 Appeal is being filed by Perdue, Brandon, Fielder, Collins, & Mott.
- D. Dr. Shuman gave a report on current advanced academics as well as information on upcoming projects and goals.
- E. Ms. Hanssard gave an update on the District Wellness Program. She shared with the Board the results from the first district wide wellness challenge. She also commented that District wide attendance was at an all-time high since beginning the program. She also recognized Ms. Kristen Pfaff for winning Moveband's January National Challenge for averaging 8,000 moves per day throughout the 12 week district challenge.

IX. CONSENT AGENDA

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

- A. Minutes of January 12th and January 19, 2015

- B. Accounts Payable of \$648,170.95
- C. Budget Amendment #6
- D. Student Transfers
- E. Assigned Lindsey Foley, Finance Manager as the District's Records Management Officer (RMO).

X. REGULAR AGENDA

- A. Mr. Norman made a motion to accept all donations greater than \$5,000.00 for the month of January. The total of the donations for the month were \$5,000.00. Mrs. Herzog seconded and all voted in favor.
- B. Mrs. Skufca made a motion to proclaim the month of March in SFISD as Texas Public Schools Month. Mr. Rothermel seconded and all voted in favor.
- C. Mrs. Tacquard made a motion to resolve March 2nd – 6th in SFISD as National School Breakfast Week. Mrs. Herzog seconded and all voted in favor.
- D. Mr. Norman made a motion to resolve the month of March in SFISD as Social Worker Month. Mrs. Skufca seconded and all voted in favor.
- E. Mr. Norman made a motion to deny the request to rescind the Tax Resale of Parcel #1095-000-0300-011 in the amount of \$28,000.00 to Tom Whitmore, owner of Houston Moneymakers. Mr. Rothermel seconded and all voted in favor.
- F. Mr. Norman made a motion to table the HVAC Contract Proposal with Letsos Company Mechanical Contractors for a future Board meeting. Mrs. Herzog seconded and all voted in favor.

XI. BOARD COMMUNICATION

Ms. Hanssard

- Reviewed with the Board a list of upcoming events. Thanked community member Mr. Mike Brouillard for the landscaping he provided around the new sign in front of the Cowan Education Center. Welcomed Lee Davidson and congratulated her on her first Board meeting.

Ms. Davidson

- Wished everyone a great week ahead.

Mrs. Skufca

- Enjoyed "Annie Get Your Gun" musical. The students and staff did a great job. Enjoys working with students at RJW.

Dr. Shuman

- Updated the Board on the results of the 1st Annual Social Studies Fair. Thanked Jr. High Principal Rachel Blundell and S.S. Curriculum Specialist, Ryan Cox for their efforts in organizing the fair. Impressed by the teachers, staff and community members that came out to support the event.

Mrs. Tacquard

- Commented on how impressed she was by the Social Studies Fair.

Mr. Rothermel

- Commented on how proud he was of the girls' soccer and basketball teams. Enjoyed watching the streaming of the soccer game on the website. He also attended the musical and thought it was fantastic. Great article in the Galveston Daily News from Patti Hanssard. Attended the attendance awards for the District staff and was happy to see so many awards handed out.

Mrs. Herzog

- Wished everyone a great week.

Mr. Norman

- Thanked everyone for their continued hard work for the students.

Mr. Burns

- Thanked everyone for their hard work. Wished everyone a great week.

Dr. Wall

- Thanked Dr. Shuman for her update on the Advanced Academics and is looking forward to progress in that area in the future. Thanked Mrs. Skufca for her volunteer help with students at RJW. Gave a brief update on the legislative session items this coming week.

XII. ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Norman made a motion to adjourn at 8:13 p.m. Mrs. Herzog seconded and all voted in favor.

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

Billy R. Burns
President

Theresa A. Herzog
Secretary

Date Minutes Approved: March 23, 2015