

Minutes of Regular Meeting

April 28, 2014

A Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees of Santa Fe ISD was held Monday, April 28, 2014, 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 5:55 p.m. in the board room.

MEMBERS PRESENT/ABSENT

Present were John Rothermel, Darnell Gwin, Billy Burns, Sheryl Skufca, Rusty Norman, Theresa Herzog and Jason O'Brien. Dr. Wall was present.

II. EXECUTIVE SESSION, CHAPTER 551

The Board went into closed session at 5:56 p.m., in the executive conference room. Personnel and Teacher's contracts were the topic of discussion.

III. RECONVENE: INVOCATION AND PLEDGES

The Board reconvened in open session at 7:02 p.m., in the board room. Mr. Norman gave the invocation and all recited the pledges.

IV. SCHOOL OFFICIALS PRESENT

Bob Atkins, Rachel Blundell, Cherie' Bowers, Walter Braun, Donna Carlson, Lindsey Foley, Susan Hall, Patti Hanssard, Mark Kanipes, Britt Madden, David McMillian, Rick Morrill, Julie Pittman, Kim Rich, Mandy Scott, Jackie Shuman

Others Present:

Thomas Bennett, Kurt Kovacevich, Ryan Campbell, Susan Leining, Robert Bear, Anna Marie Milligan, Ken Harms, Mark and Brenda Vasek, Ty Vasek, Debbie Abney, Jim Abney, Rob Castillo, Beau Castillo, Nelly Ayala, Chris Hayes, Sonia Perez, Steve Rose, Angela Cardwell, Cheri Bauman, James Harvey, Jana Firasek, Karen Anderson, Kari Lindahl, Tommy Duvall, Henry Gallagher, Emma Williams, Carter Green, Michelle Skiles, Rodney Welsh and Kassi McWhirter

V. ACTION FROM CLOSED SESSION, CHAPTER 551

Mr. Burns made a two part motion- I move to renew and approve contracts and related actions of all Professional Staff listed on Exhibit A as presented in Executive session. I further move that all appropriate staff be notified of the Board's actions. Mr. Norman seconded and all voted in favor.

Mr. Burns made a motion to employ for the 2014-2015 school year for 187 days as teacher/coach, Richard Davis; Jerry "Mike" Faulkner; Jess Golightly and Sean Wood. Mr. Norman seconded and all voted in favor.

VI. RECOGNITION

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

A. Students and Staff

R.J. Wollam Elementary the following students are being recognized for their involvement in the Youth Athletes Program.

- Daisy Gardea, Henry Gallagher, Ricky Dunn, Emma Williams, Carter Green, Seth Olson, Jennifer Torres, Samantha Galloway, Cooper Vawter. Their teachers are: Ms. Matute, Ms. Trahan, Ms. Courtney, Ms. Matejka, Ms. McCarty and Ms. Hottman. Mrs. Debbie Abney also introduced and thanked the following volunteers: Susan Leining, Jana Firasek, Karen Anderson, Rosie Hebert, Kari Lindahl, Tommy Duvall and Cheryl Graham.

Santa Fe Jr. High recognized:

- Yearbook Adviser, Krista Gage. The Jr. High yearbook staff were recognized by Balfour Yearbooks with an Honorable Mention certificate of recognition for its outstanding contribution to Scholastic Journalism. This past weekend, Ms. Gage's C-Stem Photography won 1st place at the George R. Brown Convention Center.
- AVID classes in conjunction with Tribal TV class were awarded Honorable Mention in a national AVID video contest this month. The entire school participated in the video

showing the support the AVID program has at SFJH. There were over a hundred entries and the Jr. High placed in the top 20.

Santa Fe High School recognized:

- Senior Ty Vasek for winning the 2014 Galveston County Offensive Player of the Year Award in Basketball. He was also named 1st Team All-County, 1st Team All-District and 1st Team Academic All-District.
- Jasmine Esparza won the Patriotic Art contest sponsored by the VFW Post 5700, Ladies Auxiliary.
- Theatre Santa Fe proudly brought home four honors from the 2014 UIL One Act Play Zone 1 competition performing the production "Shadow Box" at Pearland Dawson. Recognized as Honorable Mention All Star cast members are Ryan Douglas and Megan Tracy. Recognized as All Star cast members are Madilynn Ruivivar and Stormy Baker.
- Winter Guard competed in solo and ensemble at Clear Creek High School. Allen LaPoint's solo received a Superior rating. Rachel and Ashley Small's ensemble received a Superior rating and also won their Advanced Division. Their teacher is Ms. Paige Burnett.
- Clairfest was an event held to benefit the family of our H.S. Asst. Principal, Kevin Lankford to assist in the costs of his daughter's illness. Students and staff being honored for their hard work organizing this benefit concert, silent auction and outdoor festivities are: Elijah O'Day, Beau Castillo, Attikos Hutras, Allison Franco, Mackenzie Brown, Sonia Perez, Corina Lopez, Javier Munoz, Guadalupe Reyes, Steve Rose, Ken Harms, Peter Kinser, Amy Hoff, and Anna Milligan.

Transportation Dept. – Road-e-o Competition winners were:

- Rose Cox 1st Place Transit Division
- Karen Jones 3rd Place Conventional Division
- Ron Willoughby and Rhonda Vaughan 1st Place Special Needs Division

Police:

Chief Braun recognized Officer Mary Rourke in her efforts to raise money for the SFISD Police. Officer Rourke has contacted over 180 businesses and out of those, 3 area Santa Fe businesses have committed to donating to the department. Chief Braun also recognized those businesses for their support.

- Santa Fe Seafood & Grill – Cheri Bauman
- Murphy's on 6
- Santa Fe Animal Hospital

SFISD Employees of the Month for March:

- RJ Wollam Elem – Nelly Ayala
- Kubacak Elem – Angela Cardwell
- Santa Fe Jr. High – Laura Dominguez
- Santa Fe H. S. – Holly Bankston, Amber Bentley, Michelle Bowen and Judi Wardrup
- Transportation – Kassi McWhirter
- Maintenance & Operations – Matthew Seese
- Custodial Dept. – Hector Vargas
- Child Nutrition Dept. – Michelle Skiles
- Police Dept. – Rodney Welsh
- Administration – Kurt Kovacevich

VII. PUBLIC FORUM

Kim Kilgore signed up to speak, but was not in attendance.

VIII. INFORMATION ITEMS

- A. The Board reviewed monthly reports on personnel, child nutrition, tax collection, technology, transportation, finance, police department, maintenance, bond funds and campuses.
- B. Staff Attendance Report - 3rd Nine Weeks
Patti Hanssard reported the highest staff attendance for the third 9 weeks was Kubacak Elementary with 95.6% attendance.
- C. Quarterly Investment Report
Lindsey Foley reviewed the Quarterly Investment Report for the Board.
- D. Proclamation of Instructional Materials Recommendations

Jackie Shuman reviewed the proclamation of instructional materials recommendations.

IX. CONSENT AGENDA

Mr. Norman made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Mrs. Herzog seconded and all voted in favor.

- A. Minutes March 24, 2014
- B. Accounts Payable \$1,950,814.00
- C. Budget Amendments #8
- D. Revision to 2013-2014 District Calendar

X. REGULAR AGENDA

- A. Mr. Burns made a motion to approve the purchase of weight and training equipment for the athletic program in the amount of \$35,907.40. Mr. Burns also made a motion to approve the purchase of \$14,250.00 for year one of headset equipment. The total amount of the equipment is \$28,608.00 with the second payment due in September. Mr. Norman seconded and all voted in favor.
- B. Mr. Norman made a motion to approve the Policy Update 99 as recommended by TASB Policy Service with the amendment to name Jacqueline Shuman as the Title IX Coordinator. Mr. Burns seconded and all voted in favor.
- C. Mr. Burns made a motion to approve the Revision to Policy FDA (LOCAL) as recommended by TASB Policy Service. Mr. Norman seconded and all voted in favor.
- D. Mr. Burns made a motion to approve the Revision to Policy DCB (LOCAL) as recommended by TASB Policy Service. Mr. O'Brien seconded and all voted in favor.
- E. Mr. Burns made a motion to approve the Revision to Policy GKD (LOCAL) as recommended by TASB Policy Service. Mr. Norman seconded and all voted in favor.
- F. Mr. Burns made a motion to approve the usage of bond funds for the purchase of the greenhouse at the high school in the amount of \$9,139.03 and the renewal of Microsoft licenses in the amount of \$29,140.00. Mr. Norman seconded and all voted in favor.
- G. Mr. Norman made a motion to approve the contract with Start & Busch, LLC to perform the 2013-2014 fiscal year-end audit with their anticipated fee range of \$43,500 to \$46,500. Mr. Burns seconded and all voted in favor.
- H. Mr. Norman made a motion to approve the resolution to compensate employees for 40 hours during the summer and early release days. Mr. Burns seconded and all voted in favor.
- I. Mr. Norman made a motion to approve the change order increase to the F.W. Walton, Inc., contract in the amount of \$13,515.00 for a total contract value of \$506,729.48. Mr. O'Brien seconded and all voted in favor.
- J. Mr. Norman made a motion to approve a resolution declaring May 6-12, 2014 as School Nurse Appreciation Week and May 7, 2014 as School Nurse Appreciation Day in Santa Fe ISD. Mrs. Herzog seconded and all voted in favor.

XI. BOARD COMMUNICATION

Ms. Hanssard

- Provided a copy of Smoke Signals and a list of dates and times for the softball and baseball team's playoff games. Reminded the Board of the Tribal Belles Spring Show and provided the dates and times. Santa Fe Fest is May 3rd at the Galveston County Fairgrounds. Encouraged everyone to go out and support this event. Proceeds to benefit SFISD classroom grant funds.

Mr. Madden

- Plan on a budget workshop prior to the next Board meeting. Thanked the principals and directors on their hard work with budget planning.

Mr. Norman

- Thanked everyone for their hard work during the busy time of the year. SFISD is receiving good press in all areas of the District. Ag program did great at the Galveston Co. Fair & Rodeo.

Mrs. Herzog

- Good luck on the testing coming up.

Mr. Burns

- Thanked everyone for their hard work. RJ Wollam carnival was a great success. Thanked Mrs. Carlson and staff.

Mrs. Skufca

- Also commented on the success of the RJ Wollam carnival. She also commented on being a part of the interview committee for selecting PALS for next year. She was impressed by the enthusiasm of the staff and students.

Mr. Gwin

- Reminded everyone that he is selling tickets for the golf ball drop benefiting the Santa Fe Education Foundation for the Santa Fe Fest.

Mr. O'Brien

- Congratulated all the students and staff that were recognized tonight for all of their hard work and achievements. Attended the Red Feather Revue at the H.S. and was impressed by the talent of the kids. On May 8th the Jr. High theatre and dance students will showcase "A Night at the Movies."

Dr. Shuman

- Commented that students participated this past weekend in George R. Brown in the C-Stem competition. We will be sharing some photos and will be recognizing those students at next month's Board meeting.

Mr. Rothermel

- Commented on the all the good things happening in the District and how proud he is to be associated with SFISD.

Dr. Wall

- Thanked everyone for all they do. Thanked the Board for their support and for supporting the students.

XII. ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Norman made a motion to adjourn at 8:41 pm. Mr. Burns seconded and all voted in favor.

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

John Rothermel
President

Theresa A. Herzog
Secretary

Date Minutes Approved: May 19, 2014