

**MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING
November 16, 2020**

I. CALL TO ORDER

Mr. Norman called the meeting to order at 5:36.

II. ROLL CALL

MEMBERS PRESENT/ABSENT

Present were Rusty Norman, Eric Davenport, John Snider, Patrick Kelly, Clay Hertenberger and James Grassmuck. Absent was Wayne Logan. Dr. Wall was in attendance.

III. BOARD WORKSHOP

A. Canvass School Board Election Results – By law only two board members are necessary to canvass election returns. Members present were Rusty Norman, Eric Davenport, Patrick Kelly, John Snider, and James Grassmuck. Also present were Dr. Wall, Julie Pittman, Robyn Tilitzki and Lee Townsend. The results of the canvass from the November 3, 2020 election indicated the following totals.

Position 1 – Jacqueline Meyer – 5,203

Position 1 – Matt Crable – 5,364

Position 2 – Rosie Yanas – 4,414

Position 2 – Patrick Kelly – 6,199

Position 3 – Eric E. Davenport – 6,929

Position 3 – Donna Hayes – 3,578

Position 7 – Angie Lambert – 6,221

Position 7 – Wayne Logan – 2,912

Position 7 – Andrew Mills – 1,264

Vote totals were accurately counted. Mr. Crable won the Position 1 seat, Mr. Kelly won the Position 2 seat, Mr. Davenport won the Position 3 seat and Ms. Lambert won the Position 7 seat.

IV. ACTION ITEM

A. Mr. Grassmuck made a motion to approve the canvassed results from Galveston County as presented. Mr. Snider seconded and all voted in favor.

V. EXECUTIVE SESSION, CHAPTER 551

The Board went into closed session at 5:48 pm. Personnel and safety were the topics of discussion. The Board adjourned closed session and reconvened in open session at 7:01 pm.

VI. RECONVENE: INVOCATION AND PLEDGES

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

VII. SCHOOL OFFICIAL PRESENT

Flo Adkins, Bob Atkins, Cherie Bowers, Walter Braun, Heather Brown, Jenny Davenport, Patti Hanssard, Rachel Harris, Destini Martin, Mark McKinney, Kathy Oliver, Harold Payne, Julie Pittman, Sarah Pfluger, Michelle Pourchot, Kim Ross, Sara Ryan, Alex Sanchez and Lee Townsend

Others Present:

Angie Lambert, Matt Crable, Johnathan Stanton, Frank Gonzales, Corey Click, Joel Sumrall, Chris Wheeler, Kelly Logan and Sandra Zeringue

VIII. ACTION FROM CLOSED SESSION, CHAPTER 551

A. Mr. Davenport made a motion to employ Lorena Faz for 123 of 187 days and move Nikoleta Nikravan from a one-year probationary contract to a one-year dual probationary contract for the 2020-2021 school year. Mr. Snider seconded and all voted in favor.

IX. PRESENTATION RECOGNIZING OUTGOING BOARD MEMBERS

Mr. Norman and Dr. Wall presented Mrs. Logan (received for Mr. Logan who was unable to attend

the meeting) and Mr. Snider with plaques recognizing their dedicated service to the District.

X. OATH OF OFFICE - POS. 1, 2, 3 AND 7 - TERM FOR NEWLY ELECTED TRUSTEES

Julie Pittman, notary for the District, swore in Matt Crable, Position 1; Patrick Kelly, Position 2; Eric Davenport, Position 3; and Angie Lambert, Position 7. They will serve a 4-year term ending in November, 2024. They each took their seats at the Board table.

XI. REORGANIZATION OF BOARD - ELECTION OF OFFICERS

The members of the Board determined the following officers: Rusty Norman – President, Eric Davenport – Vice President and James Grassmuck – Secretary

XII. RECOGNITIONS

A. The District recognized a group of individuals for their heroic actions with a medical emergency situation with a staff member at SFJH on Thursday, November 5, 2020. Students assisting were Stetson Moeller, Damon Cuello, Austin Williams, Bradley Neill, Riley Baldrige, Fransesco Pignataro, Ivy Childress and Arwynn Bailey. Staff members assisting were Brianna Keel, Natasha Wulf, Selena Briones, Johnny Banda, Monica McCollum, Rachael Schoen, Tara Lopez and Flo Adkins.

B. Employees of the month for November are: Gail Ballinger, Barnett; Marissa Hurry, Kubacak; Lindsey Garcia, RJW; James Tonnies, SFJH; Amber Noto, SFHS; Nathan Edman, Transportation; Bradley Baugh, M&O; Sheila Davila, Custodial; Maggie Panciera, Nutrition Services; Becky Wright, Admin.

XIII. PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS

No one signed up to speak at the meeting.

XIV. INFORMATION ITEMS

A. Mr. Atkins updated the Board on high school addition and renovations and other projects in the District. Mrs. Ross gave an update on current Covid cases of 8 and a sum total of 29. She updated the Board on a recent TEA provision for the 2020-2021 school year to bring back virtual students who are struggling and low performing learners, who may also be showing poor attendance.

B. Mrs. Davenport updated the Board on staff attendance for the 1st nine weeks. Kubacak had the highest at 97.8%.

C. Mr. Sanchez presented the Quarterly Investment Report for the 1st Quarter.

XV. CONSENT AGENDA

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

A. Minutes of October 14, 2020 and October 19, 2020

B. Accounts Payable \$1,550,551.97

C. Budget Amendment #4

D. Student Transfers

E. General Merchandising Fast Food Bid Awards

XVI. REGULAR AGENDA

A. Mr. Hertenberger made a motion to approve the proposal by Kirst Kosmiski to provide construction documents for bids and specifications for the High School storm water inlet repairs for a cost not to exceed \$29,000.00. Mr. Kelly seconded and all voted in favor.

B. Mr. Kelly made a motion to approve the proposal by Letsos Company to install a new tankless boiler at SFJH at a price not to exceed \$79,879.00. Mr. Hertenberger seconded and all voted in favor.

C. Mr. Davenport made a motion to approve the purchase of partial FFE for the 2020 SFHS addition at a cost to the District not to exceed \$48,421.53. Mr. Kelly seconded and all voted in favor.

D. Mr. Kelly made a motion to approve the purchase of Palo Alto Firewall installation, Premium Support for one-year, and Firewall Subscriptions for Threat Prevention and URL filtering for a

year at a cost of \$57,385.75 with a final cost to SFISD after E-rate funding of \$30,620.84. Mr. Davenport seconded and all voted in favor.

E. Mr. Grassmuck made a motion to approve the resolution of the Board regarding Santa Fe ISD's receipt of the Office of the Governor Grant for Juvenile Justice and Truancy Prevention. Mr. Hertenberger seconded and all voted in favor.

XVII. BOARD COMMUNICATION

Mrs. Townsend

- Welcomed the new Board members. Business office is currently accepting bids for the District's depository contract from Financial Institutions more information can be found on their department website.

Mr. Atkins

- Welcomed the new Board members. Wished everyone a Happy Thanksgiving.

Ms. Hanssard

- Welcomed the new Board members. Shared that the SFTXEF will be awarding grants to teachers on November 20th. Provided a calendar of events for December. Galveston Daily News will feature a story on Coach Kyle Grassmuck. Shared that there is a "SFISD Policy & Regulations" tab on the front page of the District website to make it easier for parents and the community to access. Wished everyone a Happy Thanksgiving.

Mrs. Ross

- Welcomed the new Board members. Shared that the teachers have been working very hard and it shows in the data that is being gathered. Excited to bring the District's long range plans and updated data to the Board in January. Wished everyone a Happy Thanksgiving.

Ms. Lambert

- Genuinely grateful to have this opportunity and looking forward to working with everyone.

Mr. Grassmuck

- Welcomed the new Board members. Remarkable improvement in transportation over the last year. Hopefully that will help our premiums. Happy Thanksgiving.

Mr. Hertenberger

- Congratulated the new Board members and look forward to working with you. Congratulated the employees of the month. Happy Thanksgiving.

Mr. Davenport

- Welcomed the new Board members and their families. Thanked Mr. Logan and Mr. Snider on their service. Thanked all of his supporters for their votes. Thanked the finance team for their hard work. Thanked teachers for leading by example with the high staff attendance numbers. Popped into the JH and Kubacak on Friday. Thanked Dr. Adkins and Mr. Payne for their staff being so kind and the students were very well behaved. Thanked his wife for her support with their family while he has been serving on the Board.

Mr. Crable

- Excited and really humbled by the opportunity. He will put in the hard work to make our school district the best that it can be.

Mr. Kelly

- Congratulated the new Board members and look forward to working with you both. Congratulated Mr. Davenport on his re-election. Thank you to the staff for all that you do in making it easier for us to do our jobs as Board members. Wished everyone a safe Thanksgiving.

Dr. Wall

- Thanked everyone for all they do during such challenging times. Teachers and leaders are working extremely hard and we are very appreciative of them. Wished everyone a happy and restful Thanksgiving break. Congratulated the new Board members and thanked the outgoing Board members. Planning on a TEAM of 8 training on December 9th.

Mr. Norman

- Welcomed the new Board members and congratulated the ones that won re-election. Looking forward to working with you both. Wished everyone a restful and safe Thanksgiving break. Stated he and Dr. Wall and maybe some other Board members will meet with our area representative State Senator to go over legislative priorities for our school district. We will update everyone as the process goes along.

XVIII. ADJOURNMENT

Ms. Lambert made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:08 pm. Mr. Crable seconded and all voted in favor.

We affirm these minutes are official, complete and correct.

J. R. Norman
President

James Grassmuck
Secretary

Date Minutes Approved: December 14, 2020