

## Board Meeting Minutes of 09-21-2023

The Lamesa Board of Trustees met in a Regular Meeting on Thursday, September 21, 2023 in the Board Room.

Board Members present: President Rebecca H. Gonzales, Ernest Ogeda, April Martinez, Ron Mann, Cindy Martinez and Melissa Cazares. Kevin Telchik was not in attendance.

The following Administrators were present: Superintendent David Ritchey, Ron McBee, Dr. Gregory Nelson, Stacy Stewart, Frankie Sauseda, Jaime Bahlman, Melanie Jasper and Israel Carrera.

Guest(s) in attendance: Anali Rocha, Lucas Rocha, Zhaidyn Black, Nora Barfield, Melinda Dimas, Samuel Nelson, Maddaly Nelson, Jennifer Garza, Jessica Garza, Elina Vasquez, A.J. Vasquez, Abel Hernandez, Liz Ontiveros, Karla Rios, Angelica Campos, Logan Campos, Lydia Cortez, Anselmo Campos Jr., Simon Ramford, Abigail Ramford, Austin Ramford, Kerri Barrera, (Kerri's mom) Sherri, Michelle Torres, Lisa Cuellar, Karla Barrera-Silva, Berenda Putman, Brooklyn Putman, Kayla Putman, Jozlin Gonzales, Tegan Salazar, Kyle Putman, Norma Acosta, Chevelle Garza, Mike Hughes, Mitchell Carpenter, Melissa Carpenter & family, Noe Carrion, Gabriel Flores, Michelle Lewallen, James Lewallen and Eddie Rocha. Mary Elizabeth Davis represented the *Lamesa Press Reporter*.

President Rebecca H. Gonzales called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Abel Hernandez gave the invocation.

No one signed up for public speaking.

Melanie Jasper, Middle School Principal recognized students Logan Campos, Brooklyn Putman, Lucas Rocha, Lisa Cuellar, Jessica Garza and Zhaidyn Black. She also recognized staff Lisa Hinojos, Elina Vasquez, Jennifer Garza, Steve Garcia, Noe Carrion and Elizabeth Ontiveros. Israel Carrera, High School Principal recognized students Jozlin Gonzales, Samuel Nelson and Austin Ramford. He also recognized staff Cathy Douglas, Amanda Barrera, Debbie Segovia, and Michelle Lewallen.

April Martinez made the motion to approve the Budget Workshop minutes of August 10, 2023, the Regular Board minutes of August 10, 2023, the Budget Workshop minutes of August 24, 2023 and the Tax Rate Hearing minutes of August 24, 2023. Ernest Ogeda seconded it. It passed by a vote of 6-0.

CFO Ron McBee gave a brief report of the finances. April Martinez made the motion to approve the Financial Report. Cindy Martinez seconded it. It passed by a vote of 6-0.

Superintendent David Ritchey introduced Melissa Carpenter to highlight a staff member from the Lamesa Independent School District. Ritchey added that Mrs. Carpenter goes above and beyond her duties. Ritchey presented the new SRO positions. Eddie Rocha is Lieutenant of SRO's and Gabriel Flores is Sargeant of SRO's. In conclusion, Jaime Bahlman gave a brief presentation of the District Improvement Plan.

Dr. Gregory Nelson discussed the Revised 2023-2024 LISD Compensation Plan.

Superintendent Ritchey gave a brief overview of the legislature and accountability. He stated HB 1416 has reconfigured HB 45/45. Senate Bill 2124 talks about tracking mathematics in the 5<sup>th</sup> grade. Ritchey also stated the legislature is still discussing school vouchers. He added there were some leaks in the new HS gym but Lee Lewis Construction has taken care of it. Finally, Ritchey gave the board members

information on the TASA/TASB Convention on September 28<sup>th</sup> through October 1<sup>st</sup> including the itinerary and a book on leadership training.

Ron Mann made the motion to approve the District Improvement Plan as presented. April Martinez seconded it. It passed by a vote of 6-0.

April Martinez made the motion to approve the Revised 2023-2024 Compensation Plan with the correction of a \$6000.00 stipend for tested subjects at Middle School and High School. Ron Mann seconded it. It passed by a vote of 6-0.

The Board did not go to Closed Session.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:43 p.m.