

Board Meeting Minutes of 11-16-2023

The Lamesa Board of Trustees met in a Regular Meeting on Thursday, November 16, 2023 in the Board Room.

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

The following Administrators were present: Superintendent David Ritchey, Dr. Greg Nelson, Ron McBee, Doug Tipton, Kristi Griffin, Israel Carrera, Melanie Jasper, Stacy Stewart, Frankie Sauseda, Jaime Bahlman and Michael Boyd.

Guest(s) in attendance: Randall Presley, Justina Schmitt, Mike Roy and Ravi Shakamuri. Mary Elizabeth Davis represented the *Lamesa Press Reporter*.

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

David Ritchey gave the invocation.

Randall Presley signed up for public speaking. He was given three minutes to speak.

Ron Mann made the motion to approve the minutes from the regular board meeting of October 19, 2023. Kevin Telchik seconded it. It passed by a vote of 5-0.

CFO Ron McBee gave a brief Financial Report. Kevin Telchik made the motion to approve the Financial Report. Ron Mann seconded it. It passed by a vote of 5-0.

Superintendent Ritchey highlighted Mike Roy as an outstanding community member. Ritchey stated he works hard to help the LHS Band Program as a parent and volunteer. He also supervises the local Lamesa Movieland Theatre. He is very willing to make the student body feel welcome and appreciated in offering free movies and snacks. The LISD staff also reap free movies from time to time.

All principals gave a brief report of their campus. South Elementary Principal is Doug Tipton, North Elementary Principal is Kristi Griffin, Middle School Principal is Melanie Jasper and High School Principal is Israel Carrera. Each principal gave their enrollments and highlighted positive points that are currently happening at their school.

Dr. Gregory Nelson, Human Resources Director discussed the revised 2023-2024 LISD Wellness Policy and the SHAC (Student Health Advisory Committee).

Dr. Gregory Nelson introduced Ravi Shakamuri CEO of Acclaim Global Education, a subsidiary of Star Care Technology of USA. Nelson gave an update on International Teacher Recruitment and potential partnership with Acclaim Global Education and Star Tech Group.

Superintendent Ritchey gave thanks to Premier Ford Dealership and Claiborne's Supermarket for donating Thanksgiving meals to families that would not be able to afford a full meal. Mr. Ritchey gave a brief overview of the legislature. He added Lee Lewis Construction will repair all leaks to the new buildings by December. Ritchey will provide various dates to have board training for team building in January. In conclusion, he provided explanatory notes to the Policy Manual Update 122.

Ernest Ogeda made the motion to approve (LOCAL) Policies CQB, CSA, DC, EHB, EHBC, EHBCA, FEA, FFAC, FFB and FL as offered by TASB Localized Policy Manual Update 122. Melissa Cazares seconded it. It passed by a vote of 5-0.

Kevin Telchik made the motion to approve the revised 2023-2024 Lamesa ISD Wellness Policy as presented. Ernest Ogeda seconded it. It passed by a vote of 5-0.

The Board went to Closed Session as allowed by the Texas Open Meetings Act, Texas Government Code, Section 551.074 at 7:19 p.m. The Board reconvened at 8:56 p.m. No action was taken.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:56 p.m.