Minutes of Regular Meeting

The Board of Trustees Bloomington Independent School District

A Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees of Bloomington Independent School District was held Monday, November 18, 2019, beginning at 6:30 PM in the Board Room, 2781 FM 616, Bloomington, Texas.

Board Members present were Deloris White, Blanca Wallace, Joseph Nelms, E.R. Saenz, Javier Chavana and John Ellsworth. Joe Canales, Jr. was absent.

Others in attendance were Mark Anglin, Kellye Chavana, Matilde Castro, Gloria Monreal, Louise Escalante-Torres, Marieda Monreal, Jasmin Castro, Linda Godfrey, Sarah Harper, Lina Moore, Dora Hernandez, Melinda Perez, Sylvia Hernandez, Joshua Ferguson, Lori Delgado, Makayla Hernandez and Bret Baldwin.

1. Call to Order, Roll Call and Pledge of Allegiance

Deloris White called the meeting to order at 6:31 p.m. Javier Chavana led the Pledge of Allegiance and a moment of silence was observed.

2. Public Comments

No public comments

3. Commendations/Board Recognition

- A. BMS Shining Star is Kimberly Monreal
 - 1. Louise Escalante-Torres

Ms. Torres recognized Kimberly Monreal as the Shining Star Student of BMS. She spoke of her excellent qualities she exhibits at school. Ms. Torres read what several of her teachers had complimented her on as a student. Kimberly was presented a certificate and a \$25 Walmart gift card from BISD.

B. BHS Student of the Month is Makayla Hernandez

1. Lina Moore

Ms. Moore presented Makayla Hernandez as the November Student of the Month. Ms. Moore read several statements that her teachers had written

complimenting Makayla as a student. Makayla received a \$25 Walmart gift card from BISD.

C. Employee of the Month is Linda Godfrey

1. Melinda Perez

Ms. Perez presented Linda Godfrey as the Employee of the Month. Ms. Perez and Mr. Anglin spoke of her outstanding qualities and her cheerful attitude. Linda was presented a \$50 gift card to Texas Roadhouse and a certificate.

4. Public Participation on Current Agenda Items

No one signed up for public participation.

5. Reports

A. PES/BES Principal - Cari Frisch

Melinda Perez, Asst. Principal for PES presented information on her school. She said the goal for PES is to strengthen Reading and Math levels. PES has pull outs for Reading and a contracted person who works weekly with students in reading. The students also have a Power Hour where students go to different teachers for additional instruction.

Sarah Harper presented BES information for Mr. Frisch. BES is working hard to track attendance and providing attendance incentives to students. They recently held a Saturday Academy and 40 students attended. BES will be planning more Saturday Academy's. BES is taking Benchmarks and should have the results by the end of the week to disaggregate the information.

B. BMS Principal - Louise Escalante-Torres

Ms. Torres presented information on BMS. She stated she was pleased with the attendance going up and her new attendance clerk was already looking for attendance incentives, monitoring truancy students. Ms. Gonzalez on her campus has been working with the Tier 3 students in Reading and Math and they are making a steady climb and should be able to exit from the Tier 3 level. BMS is working hard to improve parental involvement on the campus by having different presentations for parents.

C. BHS Principal - Lina Moore

Ms. Moore presented an information sheet to the Board Members with information on the attendance and the procedures that are being done to handle the attendance issues. Ms. Moore also gave extensive information on how the

teachers are working on doing two assessments each 9 weeks. Ms. Moore, Ms. Grogan and Mr. Stroupe are working closely to evaluate the tests that are being given, are they STAAR level. Ms. Moore stated that having Ms. Sylvia Hernandez and Ms. Grogan assisting in walk through has been very beneficial to the staff. The staff at BHS are concentrating on meeting the goals they set every 9 weeks.

D. Superintendent - Mr. Anglin

Mr. Anglin said he would give his report in Closed Session.

E. Department Reports for Information Only

6. ITEMS OF BUSINESS

7. Consent Agenda

- A. Approve Minutes for October 2019
- B. Finance
 - 1. Accounts Payable
 - 2. Finance Report
 - 3. Investment Report
 - 4. Donations
 - a. Victoria United Way Donation Check for \$1500 for Library Books

John Ellsworth inquired about if purchasing the copiers was cheaper than leasing them. Mr. Ellsworth also inquired about tools that were purchased. Mr. Anglin stated at this time he signs all purchase requisitions and if he was contacted earlier on the questions he could have had some answers for Mr. Ellsworth.

A motion was made by Blanca Wallace to accept the Consent Agenda as presented. E.R. Saenz second the motion.

Motion passed 6-0 (Canales absent)

8. Consider and Take Possible Action on District Improvement Plan (DIP)

Mr. Anglin presented to the Board the District Improvement Plan that was sent to their emails. Mr. Anglin said it was an outstanding plan that Ms. Dora Hernandez had put together and would be meeting with the DIP Committee. Mr. Anglin called it a living plan because adjustments are made to as needed. Ms. White asked about where we were at on the goals. Mr. Anglin stated that would be an area they are updating at the DIP Committee meeting.

A motion to accept the District Improvement Plan (DIP) was made by Joseph Nelms. A second was given by John Ellsworth.

Motion carried 6-0 (Canales absent)

9. Consider and Take Possible Action on Vote for the Election of Victoria Central Appraisal District Board of Directors

Mr. Anglin read the letter that was sent to the District regarding the election of Victoria Central Appraisal District Board of Directors. Bloomington ISD has 84 votes to cast.

John Ellsworth made a motion to give all 84 votes to Lou Svetlik. The motion failed for a lack of a second.

Blanca Wallace made a motion to give no votes to anyone on the list. Motion failed for a lace of a second.

John Ellsworth made a motion to give 42 votes to Lou Svetlik and 42 votes to Jeff Bauknight. Motion failed for a lack of a second.

Joseph Nelms made a motion to give 14 votes to each person running. A second was given by Javier Chavana.

Motion passed 4-2 (Wallace, Ellsworth Against; Canales absent)

10. Consider and Take Possible Action on Band Trailer

Joshua Ferguson, BISD Band Director, presented to the Board information on getting a new band instrument trailer. Mr. Ferguson is working trying to get sponsorships to help purchase the trailer. He has received an approximate cost from McD Trailers which with the sponsor decals which would be \$10,000.

Mr. Anglin said he would donate the money for the wood to be used inside the trailer valued up to \$1,500.

Mr. Anglin asked that this item be tabled until February when we know more on the funding situation.

11. Consider and Take Possible Action on the FIRST Rating 2018-2019

Mr. Anglin gave the First Integrity Rating System of Texas (FIRST) Report for the district based on school year 2017-2018. The district scored a rating A= Superior with a score of 94.

12. Consider and Take Possible Action on Application for Prosperity Bank Credit Card

Mr. Anglin informed the Board that the current district credit card with TIB had been cancelled and he requested that the Board give the approval to open a district credit card account with Prosperity Bank. Mr. Anglin stated that a district card is necessary and he would have procedures in place for when and how it is used.

A motion to approve the district to enter a contract for a district credit card with Prosperity Bank was made by John Ellsworth. Javier Chavana second the motion.

Motion carried 6-0 (Canales absent)

13. Consider and Take Possible Action on the Purchase of 2 School Buses

Mr. Anglin presented to the Board the need to purchase two new buses. He has prices from Longhorn Bus Sales on International buses. Mr. Anglin stated that the interest rate is 2.48% on a short term loan which would be \$70,592/yr. Cost is approximately \$103,000 each. Working on grant that we would have to keep the old buses on routes for a year then through the grant we would get \$50,000 for the old buses by destroying them after that time. We are spending probably more keeping the old buses running.

A motion was made by Joseph Nelms to purchase two buses. Blanca Wallace second the motion.

Motion passed 6-0 (Canales absent)

14. Future Agenda Items

Copier Contracts vs purchase, Cintas Contract, Waste Management

The Board took a break from 8:32 p.m. to 8:42 p.m.

The Board entered into Closed Session at 8:42 p.m.

15. Adjourn to Closed Meeting pursuant to Texas Government Code Section 551.071 and 551.074 of the Open Meetings Act for the following purpose:

- A. Personnel Employment, Resignations, Assignments, Evaluations, Reassignments, Duties or Discipline
 - 1. Consider changing the Assistant Principal position at PES to Principal

16. Reconvene Open Meeting

The Board reconvened at 9:52 p.m.

A motion was made by Javier Chavana to promote Melinda Perez to Placedo Elementary Principal. John Ellsworth second the motion.

Motion passed 6-0 (Canales absent)

A motion was made by Joseph Nelms to adjourn. E.R. Saenz second the motion.

Motion passed 6-0 (Canales absent)

Meeting adjourned at 9:53 p.m.

Delaris White
Board President

Board Secretary