

BRAZOS ISD REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES (Unofficial)
September 18, 2013

1. The Brazos ISD Board of Trustees held a regular meeting on Wednesday, September 18, 2013 in the Brazos ISD Board Room. President Charles Dostal called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM, and declared a quorum. Other members present included Brian Demny, Felix Martinez II, Tamara Mager, Myles Marek, Joyce M. Stavinoha and Matt Demny. President Charles Dostal gave the invocation followed by the pledge of allegiance.

Superintendent Jack Ellis welcomed Boy Scout Troop 990 to the board meeting. The boys are working on their Eagle Scout Citizenship badge which requires them to attend a board meeting.

2. A moment of silence was held for John Thomas Zdansky, father of Brazos High School Teacher, Sharon Easter.

3. Kara Sabrsula, 8th grade Science and Horticulture teacher at Brazos Middle School signed to speak as allowed by policy BED public participation on landscaping at the Brazos Middle School. (See attached.)

4. No one signed up for student related issues as per HB 1226.

5. Matt Demny moved with a second by Joyce M. Stavinoha to approve the minutes of the August 20, 2013, special board meeting, August 21, 2013, special board meeting, August 21, 2013 regular board meeting with a change to page 1331 of the official minute book, item #7, changing the two words "will" to "could" in the second sentence, August 27, 2013, special board meeting and the September 3, 2013 special board meeting. The motion carried unanimously.

6. Myles Marek moved with a second by Tamara Mager to approve the budget amendment in the amount of \$68,000.00 to adjust Food Service Budget for fund year 2012-2013 due to the increase revenue in budget. The motion carried unanimously. (See attached.) Principals, Clay Hudgins, Giselle Castorena, and Dr. Jonathon Szymanski gave progress reports on their campuses.

Matt Demny moved with a second by Joyce M. Stavinoha to approve the payment of bills. The motion carried unanimously.

7. Matt Demny moved with second by Joyce M. Stavinoha to adopt a resolution setting the 2013-2014 tax rate at \$1.39966 per hundred dollar valuation with and M&O rate of \$1.04005 and an I&S rate of \$.35961. The motion carried unanimously.

8. Randle Brian and Rich Dubroc, directors with Prairie Harbor Alternative School Residential Care Facility, made a presentation to the board about the care facility and answered questions.

9. Athletic Director, Mike Bonewald, gave the board an overview of the district's physical education program.

10. Brian Demny moved with a second by Myles Marek to approve the resale deed submitted by Austin County Central Appraisal District Board for struck off property R12163. The motion carried unanimously.

11. Superintendent Jack Ellis, informed the board that effective

August 23, 2013, Flint Little, representing Brazos ISD, resigned as a member of the Appraisal District's Board of Directors.

12. Felix Martinez II moved with a second by Tamara Mager to nominate Chris Nanez as district representative for the Austin County Central Appraisal District. The motion carried unanimously.

President Charles Dostal called for a break at 8:03 PM, September 18, 2013 and reconvened at 8:10 PM, September 18, 2013.

13. Myles Marek moved with a second by Matt Demny to approve a parent request for P.E. exemption for the 2013-2014 school year. The motion carried unanimously.

14. Superintendent Jack Ellis presented the recommendations for repair and updating the district house as recommended by Bradley Reinecker, Director of Maintenance/Transportation.

15. The board requested that Mr. Reinecker get bids to repair the house and bring them back to board at the October meeting.

16. The board discussed financing options for ADA upgrades to the district. Superintendent Jack Ellis informed the board that Dale Rabe, architect with Rabe and Partners, will meet with him and Bradley Reinecker, Director of Maintenance/Transportation to go over the plans and to see what work the district can do on the house and on the ADA upgrades. The board requested that Mr. Dale Rabe hold off on the true construction documents until next semester. The superintendent will inform Mr. Dale Rabe.

17. The board will hold a public hearing at 6:45 PM prior to the 7:00 PM regular board meeting on November 20, 2013 to discuss adoption of district curriculum support materials formerly CSCOPE.

18. The board discussed the landscaping care and upkeep at Brazos Middle School. Principal Clay Hudgins, Horticulture teacher, Kara Sabrsula and Director of Maintenance/Transportation, Bradley Reinecker should work together and handle this problem.

19. Superintendent Jack Ellis will send out dates to the board members for a meeting to view the Legislative Update video.

20. The TEA division of Financial Compliance letter is enclosed in your packet and basically states that the audit is closed.

21.A. Our enrollment is 822: Brazos Elementary - 401, Brazos Middle School - 183, and Brazos High School - 238.

21.B. Superintendent Jack Ellis stated that the start of school went well.

21.C. Letter went out to all employees about the insurance concerns.

21.D. The handbook on line has been updated and the dress codes are the same on all three campuses.

21.E. Superintendent Jack Ellis met with Bradley Reinecker, Director of Maintenance/Transportation and now have all bus routes but one starting at the elementary school and eliminated the back and forth shuttles. The administrators are pleased with the changes and said they have not had any complaints.

21.F. Superintendent Jack Ellis stated that the hot water valve at the middle school is working properly but in replacing it Bradley Reinecker, Director of Maintenance/Transportation found other items not working properly.

21.G. Athletic Director, Mike Bonewald gave a report on the track at the Brazos High School. There are a few spots that need to be repaired but overall the track is in good shape.

21.H. Superintendent Jack Ellis reported on the tennis courts at Orchard. The maintenance staff will look at them and fix them up as needed.

22. Matt Demny requested that the superintendent get quotes on two buses. The various reports were enclosed in their packets.

23. If anyone needs something put on the agenda they should either call Superintendent Jack Ellis or Board President Charles Dostal as to what they want on the agenda and an explanation.

24. No action taken on personnel.

25. After having completed all agenda items, President Charles Dostal adjourned the meeting at 8:54 PM, September 18, 2013.