

BRAZOS ISD SPECIAL BOARD MEETING MINUTES
August 12, 2020 (UNOFFICIAL)

1. Establish a quorum – Call to Order: The Brazos ISD Board of Trustees held a Special Meeting on Wednesday, August 12, 2020 in the Brazos High School Commons. President Christopher Nanez called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM, and declared a quorum. Members present were, Matt Demny, Brian Demny, Tammy Benz, Dale Divin, Christopher Nanez and Myles Marek. Tiffany Meyer was absent.

1.1 Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance – The invocation and pledge of allegiance was led by Tammy Benz.

2. Moment of silence: There was no moment of silence.

3. Public comments: No one signed up to speak as allowed by policy BED public participation.

4. Presentation and discussion only

4.1 Discussion of tree limb pick up with the City of Orchard: The City of Orchard Mayor, Rod Pavlock, addressed the board about the City of Orchard passing a burn ban and in doing so, the citizens would not be able to burn their tree limbs. A possible solution is to create an interlocal agreement with BISD to have the citizens place their limbs on a specific section of BISD property in Orchard and Fort Bend County will pick up the limbs. The board discussed possible cons with this agreement and the City of Orchard will work with BISD if the interlocal agreement is presented and passed.

5. Budget Workshop and Planning for the 2020-2021 School Year: The board members held a budget workshop and planning for the 2020-2021 school year.

6. Presentation and discussion only

6.1 Review Old Business: The board had the opportunity to discuss old business during this time. Discussions included ordering the playground cover for BES.

6.2 Discussion of school reopening plan: The board heard from the campus principals regarding their opening plans for the beginning of school. Topics included face-to-face instruction vs virtual (synchronous vs asynchronous), cleaning, safety and personal protective equipment required for students and staff.

6.3 Discussion of Chromebook Plan: Superintendent, Brian Thompson, explained the plan for the new Chromebooks that will be received by Brazos ISD.

8. Closed Meeting: The item was moved to after item 6.3.

President Christopher Nanez closed the meeting for executive session as allowed by Texas Government Code Sections 551.017-551.084, inclusive at 8:39 PM, August 12, 2020. President Christopher Nanez opened the meeting at 9:12 PM.

8.1 Personnel (if needed) Resignations, hire new employees, and possible reassigning some employees: Discussion. Action Item.

9. Open session President Christopher Nanez opened the meeting at 9:12 PM, August 12, 2020 and certified that there was no variance from the posted agenda in executive session.

6. Presentation and discussion only

6.5 Review district improvement projects: This item was moved to before item 6.4. Athletic Director, Ryan Roecker, presented the board with district improvement proposals from different companies regarding improvements to the athletic facilities. Coach Roecker will gather more information to help answer questions the board has about the weight room/concessions/ticket booth; baseball softball SOD; parking lot; track and drainage.

6.4 Review and discuss Brazos ISD Vision and Goals and corresponding Superintendent goals: Due to time restraints, Myles Marek moved with a second by Tammy Benz to table the review and discussion of Brazos ISD Vision and Goals and corresponding Superintendent goals. The motion passed unanimously.

7. Action Items

7.1 Consideration and action to approve a resolution to add an additional penny to be added to Maintenance and Operations Rate for the 2020 Tax Year: Due to HB 3, the board can add an additional penny to the tax rate without having a TRE election. Myles Marek moved with a second by Dale Divin approve a resolution to add an additional penny to be added to Maintenance and Operations Rate for the 2020 Tax Year. The motion passed unanimously.

7.2 Consideration and action to approve the proposed district's tax rate for 2020-2021: The school board reviewed the proposed tax rate, including the additional penny. Myles Marek moved with a second by Tammy Benz to approve the proposed district's tax rate for Maintenance and Operations at .9221.

7.3 Consideration and action to rescind a resolution regarding employee pay during school closure: The board previously passed a resolution to continue to pay employees while the school was

closed during the COVID-19 pandemic. Now that schools are able to reopen, Matt Demny moved with a second by Myles Marek to rescind the resolution regarding employee pay during school closure. The motion passed unanimously.

7.4 Consideration and action to approve the 2020-2021 Synchronous Attestation Summary: Myles Marek moved with a second by Brian Demny to approve the 2020-2021 Synchronous Attestation Summary to be submitted to the Texas Education Agency. The motion passed unanimously.

7.5 Consideration and action to approve a budget amendment for Chromebooks and Chromebook carts: Tammy Benz moved with a second by Matt Demny to approve a budget amendment for Chromebooks and Chromebook carts. The motion passed unanimously.

7.6 Consideration and action to reschedule the August regular board meeting: Due to the publication of the tax rate public hearing notice, Myles Marek moved with a second by Brian Demny to reschedule the regular August board meeting to August 31, 2020. The motion passed unanimously.

6. Adjourn: After having completed all agenda items, Tammy Benz moved with a second by Brian Demny to adjourn the meeting. The motion passed unanimously. President Christopher Nanez adjourned the meeting at 10:00PM, August 12, 2020.