

BRAZOS ISD REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES
December 16, 2020 (UNOFFICIAL)

1. Establish a quorum – Call to Order: The Brazos ISD Board of Trustees held a Regular Meeting on Wednesday, December 16, 2020 in the Brazos High School Commons. President Christopher Nanez called the meeting to order at 6:33 PM, and declared a quorum. Members present were, Matt Demny, Brian Demny, Tammy McCain, Dale Divin, Christopher Nanez, and Tiffany Meyer. Myles Marek was virtually present.

2. Moment of silence: A moment of silence was held for Mary Etta Layden – mother of former BISD employee and current contact employee, Monica Gross.

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

4. Recognition

4.1 Athletic Director recognition of Cougar/Cougarette Athlete of the Month: Athletic Director, Ryan Roecker, honored Maythe Mendez and Hayden Vykukal as Athletes of the Month. Maythe was chosen because of the example she sets on and off the court daily. Hayden was chosen because he does a great job coming every day ready to go and ready to be better.

5. Action Items

5.1 Consideration and action to approve the annual financial report as audited by Belt Harris Pechacek, LLLP: Mike Brotherton, a partner with Belt Harris, Pachecek, CPA's, LLLP, presented the 2019-2020 audit findings to the board. Tiffany Meyer moved with a second by Matt Demny to approve the annual financial report as presented. The motion passed unanimously.

6. COVID-19 Update: The board heard a COVID-19 update from Superintendent, Brian Thompson. Topics included BISD's back-to-school plan, the type of remote instruction that will be offered for quarantined or COVID-19 positive cases.

7. Principal's reports: The principal reports were enclosed in the board packets for Brazos High School, Brazos Middle School, and Brazos Elementary School.

8. Athletic Director Report: The board reviewed the Athletic Director Report with AD, Ryan Roecker. Coach Roecker has been taking toy donations in lieu of basketball tickets to donate to Wallis Police Department Kids' and Cops.

9. Maintenance and transportation report: Maintenance Director, Pete Robles, reviewed the maintenance and transportation reports with the board. Topics discussed were remodeling old classrooms for the SPED department and the DAEP classroom and adding Brazos ISD decals on our fleet of vehicles.

10. Approval of minutes: Tiffany Meyer moved with a second by Brian Demny to approve the minutes of the November 11, 2020 special meeting and the November 18, 2020 regular meeting as presented. The motion passed unanimously.

11. Business office:

11.1 – 11.5: The board reviewed and discussed the bills, current bank reconciliation and balances, current tax collection report, utility cost comparison, and the monthly budget summary report.

12. Presentation and discussion only

12.1 Review old business: The board had the opportunity to discuss old business during this time. There was no old business to discuss.

12.2 Discussion of future academic programs:

Superintendent, Brian Thompson discussed future academic programs with the board. Potential programs discussed were additional Spanish classes and a possible business math class.

12.3 Facilities Upgrades List: The board reviewed the district facilities upgrades list. Coach Roecker updated the board on weight room/concession proposals. Matt Demny asked to add items to the list including, the old Wallis gym and resurfacing the parking lots.

12.4 Review and discuss Brazos ISD Vision and Goals and corresponding superintendent performance goals: The board reviewed the progress of the Brazos ISD Vision and Goals and will revisit them again in the Spring of 2021.

12.5 Discussion of Education Foundation: Superintendent, Brian Thompson, discussed a possible Education Foundation for Brazos ISD. The board asked for more research to be done and to bring it back in January as a presentation to the board.

13. Action Items

13.1 Consideration and action to approve a facilities lease agreement with Brazos Little League: Tammy McCain moved with a second by Tiffany Meyer to approve a facilities lease agreement with Brazos Little League. The motion passed unanimously.

13.2 Consideration and action to engage Belt, Harris and Pechacek, LLLP to perform an audit for the school year ending August 31, 2021: Tiffany Meyer moved with a second by Myles Marek to engage Belt, Harris, Pechacek, LLLP to perform the independent financial audit for the year ending August 31, 2021. The motion passed unanimously.

13.3 Consideration and action to approve a resolution regarding extension of time to use emergency paid sick leave for the 2020-2021 school year: Dale Divin moved with a second by Tiffany Meyer to approve a resolution regarding extension of time to use emergency paid sick leave for the 2020-2021 school year. The motion passed unanimously.

13.4 Consideration and action granting the Brazos ISD Superintendent authority to hire a BHS Business Teacher for the Spring of 2021: Tiffany Meyer moved with a second by Brian Demmy to grant the Brazos ISD Superintendent authority to hire a BHS Business Teacher for the Spring of 2021. The motion passed unanimously.

13.5 Consideration and action to approve the targeted improvement plan: Special Programs Coordinator, Teresa Ressler, along with BES Principal, Tracy Boss presented the BES targeted improvement plan to the board and answered questions about the plan. Tiffany Meyer moved with a second by Dale Divin to approve the targeted improvement plan as presented. The motion passed unanimously.

14. Closed Meeting: President Christopher Nanez closed the meeting for executive session as allowed by Texas Government Code Sections 551.017-551.084, inclusive at 8:45 PM, December 16, 2020. President Christopher Nanez opened the meeting at 9:09 PM.

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

15. Open session: Take appropriate action resulting from closed session. No action taken.

16. Discussion of future agenda items. If anyone needs to put an item on the agenda please call President, Christopher Nanez, or the Superintendent, Mr. Thompson.

17. State of the District: Superintendent Brian Thompson updated the board on the state of the district. The Texas Education Agency will not issue an A-F rating for the 2020-2021 school year; although, the STAAR test will still take place. BISD has an option to refinance the bond in the Spring of 2021. EISO training can be offered virtually if all board members attend. This can be scheduled for January 13, 2021 at 6:30PM.

18. Adjourn: After having completed all agenda items, Tammy McCain moved with a second by Brian Demny to adjourn the meeting. The motion passed unanimously. President Christopher Nanez adjourned the meeting at 9:13PM, December 16, 2020.