

BRAZOS ISD REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES
August 24, 2022 (UNOFFICIAL)

1. Establish a quorum – Call to Order: The Brazos ISD Board of Trustees held a Regular Meeting on Wednesday, August 24, 2022 in the Brazos ISD Board Room. Vice-President Dale Divin called the meeting to order at 7:00PM, and declared a quorum. Members present were Matt Demny, Tammy McCain, Tiffani Shirley, Dale Divin and Justin Richardson. Myles Marek joined by zoom. Brian Demny was absent.

1.1 Invocation: The invocation was led by Tammy McCain.

1.2 Pledge – The Pledge of Allegiance was led by BMS Student of the Month; Ethan Lewis.

2. Moment of silence: A moment of silence was held for Melvin Ray Klatt, Sr, father of BISD employee Christel Karl.

3. Public comments: Bill Adamcik signed up to speak about the BES/BMS HVAC Replacement project.

4. Introduction of New Staff: Each campus principal introduced new staff to the board for the 2022-2023 school year.

5. Superintendent Report

5.1 Facilities needs review: Superintendent, Scott Rogers reviewed the facilities needs list with the board.

5.2 Roofing update: Superintendent, Scott Rogers and BHS Principal, Eric Cormier, spoke about the upcoming roof repairs and addressed the current issues that require immediate attention.

5.3 Construction update: Architect, Wade Zimmer, updated the board on the progress of the new weight room project.

5.4 Yearbook: The board received their 2021-2022 yearbooks and Mr. Rogers commented on the great job by the yearbook class and advisor on the yearbook. Matt Demny requested traditional team pictures be included in the future.

5.5 Security audit update: Superintendent, Scott Rogers submitted a report to Texas School Safety Center of audit findings and the plan to fix any deficiencies.

5.6 HB 3 Goals: The HB 3 goals are continuing to be revised and updated and will be presented to the board at the September meeting.

5.7 Accountability Report: The recently released Accountability report will be presented to the board at the September

meeting. Superintendent, Scott Rogers, stated that it is a good report after the recent COVID years.

5.8 Old DAEP portable disposal: An ad will be placed in the local paper in an effort to sell the old DAEP portable.

6. Informational Reports: Included in the informational reports were; Athletic Director Report, Fine Arts Report, Principal's Reports; Attendance Report (SAT1100); and Financial Reports.

7. Presentation and Discussion Only

7.1 Presentation by Financial Advisor: Financial Advisor, Lucas Janda, provided an update to the board regarding tax rates. The process and financial impact of retiring bonds early and bonding for future district improvements was explained. The board had the opportunity to ask questions to Mr. Janda.

7.2 COVID Update – ESSER funding requirement: Director of Curriculum and Instruction, Teresa Ressler, presented an update to board regarding required district COVID updates due to ESSER funding requirements.

7.3 Campus Alarm Upgrades: IT Director, Jessie Nanes, provided an update to the board regarding campus alarm upgrades throughout the district.

7.4 Board review of the 2022-2023 DAEP, FFA, Band and Athletics handbooks: The board reviewed the 2022-2023 DAEP, FFA, Band and Athletics handbooks.

7.5 Discuss plan to implement SORA as the library e-book platform: Board member, Tammy McCain, discussed concerns about a new online e-book library and the future of the secondary libraries. The Board directed the superintendent to develop a job description for a district librarian and a library specialist in order to fully staff all libraries and manage the library collection.

7.6 Discuss policy FDA (LOCAL), Interdistrict Transfers: Policy FDA (LOCAL) was reviewed by the board and Justin Richardson suggested review of implementing a transfer fee beginning 2023-2024 school year. Members asked the superintendent to investigate the option further and report back.

8. Consent Agenda: Matt Demny moved with a second by Tammy McCain to approve the consent agenda as presented. Included were approval of minutes from the July 27, 2022 special meeting and July 27, 2022 regular meeting, a budget amendment regarding auction

revenue and approval of policy EIF (LOCAL). The motion passed unanimously.

9. Action Items

***Member Myles Marek participated via ZOOM.**

9.1 Consideration and action to approve the end-of-year function level 2021-2022 budget amendments: Matt Demny moved with a second by Tiffani Shirley to approve the end-of-year function level 2021-2022 budget amendments. The motion passed unanimously.

9.2 Consideration and action to approve the 2022-2023 Brazos ISD budget at the fund and function level: After a review by Superintendent, Scott Rogers, of some updates to the budget, including more funds to be spent on professional development for teachers, Tiffani Shirley moved with a second by Matt Demny to approve the 2022-2023 Brazos ISD budget at the fund and function level as presented. The motion passed unanimously.

9.3 Consideration and action to adopt the district's tax rate for 2022-2023: Justin Richardson moved with a second by Tammy McCain that the property tax rate decreased by the adoption of a tax rate of 1.446, which is effectively a 2.876 percent decrease in the tax rate. The motion passed unanimously.

9.4 Consideration and action to approve Policy Update 119, affecting local policies (see attached list): Tiffani Shirley moved with a second by Justin Richardson to approve Policy Update 119, including; CPC(LOCAL): Office Management – Records Management; DMA(LOCAL): Professional Development – Required Staff Development; EHAA(LOCAL): Basic Instructional Program - Required Instruction (All Levels); EHB(LOCAL): Curriculum Design – Special Programs; EHBAA(LOCAL): Special Education – Identification, Evaluation, and Eligibility; EHBB(LOCAL): Special Programs – Gifted and Talented Students; EIF(LOCAL): Academic Achievement – Graduation; FFBA(LOCAL): Crisis Intervention – Trauma Informed Care; FFH(LOCAL): Student Welfare – Freedom from Discrimination, Harassment, and Retaliation

9.5 Consideration and action to reschedule regular board meetings for the upcoming months: Tiffani Shirley moved with a second by Matt Demny to move the September regular board meeting to September 14, 2022 at 6:00PM. The motion passed unanimously.

9.6 Consideration and action to hire one additional Pre-K Teacher: Tiffani Shirley moved with a second by Tammy McCain to hire one additional Pre-K Teacher due to increased enrollment. The motion passed unanimously.

9.7 Discuss, consider and take possible actions regarding selection of the contractor for Brazos Middle School and Elementary School HVAC Replacement Project: This item was taken after Consent Agenda. Scott Rogers, Superintendent and also a member of the BMS and BES HVAC Replacement Project Committee reviewed the proposal and rankings with the board. Matt Demny moved with a second by Tammy McCain to select OGH Services as the contractor for the Brazos Middle School and Brazos Elementary School HVAC replacement project and further grant the Superintendent authority to negotiate a contract with OGH Services for the HVAC replacement project and present to the Board for approval. The motion passed 5-0 with Dale Divin abstaining.

9.8 Consideration and action to increase purchase authority previously authorized for two new activity buses by \$20,000.00 from fund balance: After a brief discussion to confirm that the funds would not be taken from fund balance; Justin Richardson moved with a second by Tiffani Shirley to authorize an additional \$20,000.00 for two new activity buses. The motion passed unanimously.

9.9 Consideration and action to approve a Staff Development Minutes Waiver for the 2022-2023 school year: Tiffani Shirley moved with a second by Tammy McCain to approve a Staff Development Minutes Waiver for the 2022-2023 school year. The motion passed unanimously.

9.10 Board President appointment of community members to the Academic Excellence & Traditions Board committees: This item was taken after closed session. Vice-President, Dale Divin, appointed the community members to the Academic Excellence and Traditions Board committees as presented.

9.11 Consideration and action to approve District and Campus Improvement Plans: Tiffani Shirley moved with a second by Matt Demny to approve the District and Campus Improvement Plans as presented. The motion passed unanimously.

9.12 Consideration and action to approve stipends in the amount of \$2,500 for SORA liaisons at BMS & BHS: This item was tabled pending more information regarding SORA.

10. Closed Meeting: Vice-President Dale Divin closed the meeting for executive session as allowed by Texas Government Code Sections 551.017-551.084, inclusive at 10:12PM, August 24, 2022. Vice-President Dale Divin opened the meeting at 10:57PM, August 24, 2022.

10.1 Pursuant to TX Gov't Code Section 551.074, Personnel

10.2 Pursuant to TX Gov't Code Section 551.076, Security

10.2.1 Guardian Program

10.2.2 Emergency Operations Plan revisions

11. Open session: Take appropriate action resulting from closed session. Vice-President Dale Divin opened the meeting at 10:57PM, August 24, 2022 and certified that there was no variance from the posted agenda in executive session.

11.1 Consideration and action to approve the BISD Emergency Operations Plan: Tammy McCain moved with a second by Tiffani Shirley to approve the BISD Emergency Operations Plan as presented. The motion passed unanimously.

12. Adjourn: After having completed all agenda items, Tiffani Shirley moved with a second by Tammy McCain to adjourn the meeting. The motion passed unanimously. Vice-President Dale Divin adjourned the meeting at 10:59PM, August 24, 2022.