

BRAZOS ISD REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES

March 27, 2024

1. Establish a quorum – Call to Order: The Brazos ISD Board of Trustees held a Regular Meeting on Wednesday, March 27, 2024 in the Brazos ISD Board Room. President Myles Marek called the meeting to order at 7:03PM, and declared a quorum. Members present were Matt Demny, Myles Marek, Tiffani Shirley, Jenny Stroud, Tammy McCain, Brian Demny and Justin Richardson.

1.1 Invocation: The invocation was led by Matt Demny.

1.2 Pledge of Allegiance/Texas: The Pledge of Allegiance and Texas Pledge was led by BHS Student of the Month, Camille Combie.

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. Recognition

4.1 Athletic Director Recognition of Cougar/Cougarette Athlete of the Month: Athletic Director, Ryan Roecker, honored Rubi Almaraz and Lucas Janis as Athletes of the Month.

4.2 Fine Arts Director Recognition of Outstanding Fine Arts student: This item was tabled until the April meeting.

4.3 Powerlifting State Qualifiers: The Board of Trustees, along with Athletic Director, Ryan Roecker, recognized Lily Bertrand, Kasey Zientek, Chris Escobedo, Serigo Martinez, Rafael Almaraz, and Seth Wherry for competing at the THSPA/THSWPA State Qualifiers.

5. Superintendent Updates

5.1 Board Goal #4: Brazos Middle School Principal, Clay Hudgins, reviewed Board Goal #4 with the board regarding safety policies and procedures implemented and followed at each campus.

5.2 Special Education Briefing: Director of Specialized Learning, Katie Allison briefed the board on the special education department.

5.3 Banquets & Ceremonies: Upcoming banquets and ceremonies were reviewed with the board. There were two date changes that were communicated to the board and the board communicated that all invitations needed to be sent to the Administration office for distribution to the board.

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 with possible action

7.1 Certification of Provision of Instructional Materials:

Teresa Ressler, Director of Curriculum and Instruction presented the Certification of Provision of Instructional Materials to the board. Tiffani Shirley moved with a second by Jenny Stroud to approve the certification of provision of Instructional Materials as presented. The motion passed unanimously.

7.2 Discussion and possible action to approve the district-wide compensation package for the 2024-2025 school year: Tiffani Shirley moved with a second by Brian Demny to approve the compensation package, which includes a new professional pay schedule beginning at \$48,000.00 for first-year teachers (minimum 4% increase for all teachers), a \$500 stipend in December 2024, a 4% raise for all other staff with a total cost increase estimated to be \$391,700.00. The motion passed unanimously.

7.3 Consideration and action to approve Interquest Detection Canines for substance awareness and detection services for the 2024-2025 school year: After a discussion of detection canines versus vape detectors, the canines completing searches of the high school parking lot and the cost of detection canines, Tiffani Shirley moved with a second by Matt Demny to approve Interquest Detection Canines for substance awareness and detection services for the 2024-2025 school year. The motion passed unanimously.

8. Consent Agenda: Matt Demny moved with a second by Tammy McCain to approve the consent agenda as presented. Included in the consent agenda were minutes from the February 28, 2024 special meeting, February 28, 2024 regular meeting and the March 20, 2024 special meeting. The motion passed unanimously.

9. Action Items

9.1 Consideration and action to approve a facilities lease agreement with Precinct 4 Austin County Commissioner: During a discussion had by the board regarding a facilities lease agreement with Precinct 4 Austin County as well as Austin County EMS 4, it was discovered that the AC EMS 4 agreement has expired. Superintendent, Scott Rogers, was directed to combine the two (Precinct 4 and EMS 4)

leases, include in the agreement for the upkeep/maintenance of the facilities by Precinct 4 and EMS 4 and to determine who will be leasing the buildings now that EMS 4 has a new station. This item was tabled until the April regular meeting.

9.2 Consideration and action to approve student athletic insurance for the 2024-2025 school year: Tiffani Shirley moved with a second by Tammy McCain to approve student athletic insurance for the 2024-2025 school year. The motion passed unanimously.

9.3 Consideration and action to cancel the Brazos ISD Board election for May 4, 2024: Jenny Stroud moved with a second by Tammy McCain to approve the order to cancel the May 4, 2024 Board of Trustees Election and to accept the certificate of unopposed candidates declaring Myles Marek for Position 4 and Matt Demny for Position 5 elected.

10. Closed Meeting: President Myles Marek closed the meeting for executive session as allowed by Texas Government Code Sections 551.017-551.084, inclusive at 8:51PM, March 27, 2024. President Myles Marek opened the meeting at 9:31PM, March 27, 2024.

10.1 Pursuant to TX Gov't Code 551.074 – Personnel

10.1.1 Discussion regarding district administrator contract status

10.1.2 Discussion regarding district teachers' contract status

10.1.3 Discussion regarding Non-Chapter 21 contracts

10.2 Pursuant to TX Gov't Code 551.0821 – Personally Identifiable Student

11. Open session: Take appropriate action resulting from closed session. President Myles Marek opened the meeting at 9:31PM, March 27, 2024 and certified that there was no variance from the posted agenda in executive session.

11.1 Consideration and action to approve Administrator contracts: Jenny Stroud moved with a second by Brian Demny to approve Administrator contracts as presented in closed session. The motion passed unanimously.

11.2 Consideration and action to approve Chapter 21 contracts: Matt Demny moved with a second by Tammy McCain to

approve Chapter 21 contracts as presented in closed session. The motion passed unanimously.

11.3 Consideration and action to offer a 1-year probationary contract to a BES teacher: Tammy McCain moved with a second by Jenny Stroud to offer a 1-year probationary contract to Sarah Henderson for the 2024-2025 school year as presented. The motion passed unanimously.

11.4 Consideration and action to approve non-Chapter 21 contracts: Tammy McCain moved with a second by Justin Richardson to approve non-Chapter 21 contracts as presented in closed session. The motion passed unanimously.

11.5 Consideration and action to approve students to graduate under the Foundation Program as presented in closed session: No action taken

12. Board Member Comments: Brian Demny asked when BHS Counselor interviews will take place. Superintendent Rogers informed the board of the plan for an interview committee and to interview counselor applicants as soon as possible.

12. Adjourn: After having completed all agenda items, Tammy McCain moved with a second by Jenny Stroud to adjourn the meeting. The motion passed unanimously. President Myles Marek adjourned the meeting at 9:37PM, March 27, 2024.

President, Board of Trustees

Secretary, Board of Trustees