

BRAZOS ISD REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES

July 31, 2024

1. Establish a quorum – Call to Order: The Brazos ISD Board of Trustees held a Regular Meeting on Wednesday, July 31, 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, Justin Richardson and Brian Demny. Tammy McCain was absent.

1.1 Invocation & Pledge of Allegiance/Texas Pledge: The invocation and Pledge of Allegiance/Texas Pledge was led by Brian Demny.

2. Moment of silence: A moment of silence was held for Tim Galvez - Son-in-law of BMS teacher Cathy Egger.

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

4. Superintendent Updates: Interim Superintendent, Dave Plymale, updated the board on matters of the district, including board meeting dates and future board trainings. Interim Athletic Director, Audie Ray Jackson was introduced.

5. Informational Reports:

5.1 Special Education Information: Director of Specialized Learning, Katie Allison, requested consideration from the board of adding General Employability Skills, an innovative course that teacher prerequisite skills for general employment. This item will be on the next agenda for action.

6. Presentation and Discussion with possible action

6.1 Discussion of emergency generators: The board discussed options for additional generators for the district in the event of loss of power.

6.2 Board Training Dates: This item was discussed during Superintendent updates.

7. Consent Agenda: Brian Demny moved with a second by Justin Richardson to approve the consent agenda as presented. Included in the consent agenda were minutes from the June 26, 2024 special and regular meetings and July 24, 2024 special meeting, financial reports, and approval of budget amendments. The motion passed unanimously.

8. Action Items

8.1 Consideration and action to approve the 2024-2025 BISD Athletic Handbook, BHS Band Handbook, BISD DAEP Handbook and BHS FFA Handbook: Tiffani Shirley moved with a second by Jenny Stroud to approve the 2024-2025 BISD Athletic Handbook, BHS Band Handbook, BISD DAEP Handbook and BHS FFA Handbook as presented. The motion passed unanimously.

8.2 Consideration and action to approve a Memorandum of Understanding with Brazos Education Foundation: Brian Demny moved with a second by to approve a Memorandum of Understanding with Brazos Education Foundation as presented. The motion passed 4-0 with Tiffani Shirley and Matt Demny abstaining.

8.3 Consideration and action to approve the T-TESS calendar and appraisers: Justin Richardson moved with a second by Jenny Stroud to approve the T-TESS calendar and appraisers as presented. The motion passed unanimously.

8.4 Consideration and action to approve local policies (listed below) in Policy Update 122: Justin Richardson moved with a second by Jenny Stroud to approve local policies in Policy Update 122, including CQB - Technology Resources Cybersecurity; CSA - Facility Standards Safety & Security; DC - Employment Practices; EHB - Curriculum Design Special Programs; EBHC - Special Programs Compensatory Services and Intensive Programs; EHBCA - Compensatory Services and Intensive Accelerated Instruction. The motion passed unanimously.

8.5 Consideration and action to accept a donation of a cargo trailer from the Brazos Band Boosters valued at \$9220.00: Jenny Stroud moved with a second by Justin Richardson to accept a donation of a cargo trailer from the Brazos Band Boosters valued at \$9220.00 as presented. The motion passed unanimously.

9. Closed Meeting: President Myles Marek closed the meeting for executive session as allowed by Texas Government Code Sections 551.017-551.084, inclusive at 7:52PM, July 31, 2024. President Myles Marek opened the meeting at 9:01PM, July 31, 2024.

9.1 Pursuant to TX Gov't Code 551.074 – Personnel

9.1.1 Deliberate Regarding Employment, Reassignment, Resignation, and Duties of Personnel

9.1.2 Discuss and consider possible pursuit of sanctions against a district certified educator for job

abandonment/untimely resignation of contract pursuant to Policy DFE (LEGAL) and (LOCAL)

9.2 Pursuant to TX Gov't Code 551.071 and 551.129 – Attorney Consultation

9.2.1 Consultation with Attorney on Pending Matters

9.2.2 Attorney consultation regarding legal issues pertaining to certified educator's untimely resignation and possible sanctions.

9.3 Pursuant to TX Gov't Code 551.076 – Security

9.3.1 Guardian Program

10. Open session: Take appropriate action resulting from closed session. President Myles Marek opened the meeting at 9:01PM, July 31, 2024 and certified that there was no variance from the posted agenda in executive session.

10.1 Consideration and action to approve BISD guardians as presented in closed session: Matt Demny moved with a second by Jenny Stroud to approve BISD guardians as presented in closed session. The motion passed unanimously.

10.2 Discussion and possible action regarding pursuit of sanctions against a district certified educator for job abandonment/untimely resignation of contract pursuant to Policy DFE (LEGAL) and (LOCAL): Justin Richardson moved with a second by Tiffani Shirley that good cause did not exist for Robert Chesnick to resign without consent fewer than 45 days before the first day of instruction. It was further moved to authorize the Superintendent to seek possible sanctions for abandonment and untimely resignation of his contract with the TEA- Educator Certification and Standards Division pursuant to Policy DFE (LEGAL AND LOCAL). The motion passed unanimously.

11. Board Member Comments: There were no board member comments.

12. Adjourn: After having completed all agenda items, Justin Richardson moved with a second by Tiffani Shirley to adjourn the meeting. The motion passed unanimously. President Myles Marek adjourned the meeting at 9:04PM, July 31, 2024.