

BRAZOS ISD REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES (Unofficial)
February 15, 2016

1. The Brazos ISD Board of Trustees held a regular board meeting on Monday, February 15, 2016 in the Brazos ISD Board Room. President Matt Demny called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM, and declared a quorum. Other members present included Mark A. Fernandez, Myles Marek, Brian Demny, Christopher R. Nanez, Wayne Jetelina and Felix Martinez II.

1.1. Open prayer and pledge of allegiance: Board president, Matt Demny, gave the prayer and pledge of alliance.

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

2. Honor band student accomplishment: The board members recognized high school student, Ian Martin, with a certificate for being the first ever Brazos ISD student to be named to the All-State Band.

3. Public comments: No one signed up to speak as allowed by policy BED public participation or for student related issues as per HB 1226.

4. Public hearing to discuss Texas Academic Performance Report (TAPR) (Public participation is allowed at this time): Teresa Ressler, Special Programs Coordinator, gave the report on the Texas Academic Performance. Mrs. Ressler stated that Texas Education Agency recognizes the district as a public school that meets accreditation standards. The district also received a Superior Achievement on Financial Accountability. There was no public participation.

5. Principal's reports: Each campus principal had a report enclosed in the board packet.

6. Approval of Minutes: Christopher R. Nanez moved with a second by Mark A. Fernandez to approve the minutes of the January 18, 2016, regular board meeting. The motion carried unanimously.

7. Business Office

Presenter: Marjor Mayo

7.1. – 7.5.: The board reviewed the bills, current bank reconciliation and balances, current tax collection report, utility cost comparison, and monthly budget summary report.

8. Presentation and discussion only

Presenter: Earl Jarrett

8.1. Review of enrollment, ADA, and WADA and Implications to the 2015-2016 and 2016-2017 Budgets: Superintendent Jarrett explained to the board that reviewing this data is an important aspect of the budget development process. Mr. Jarrett addressed the dropping enrollment numbers and the effect they could have on funding for the district. Superintendent Jarrett stated that if this trend continues into next year, we must consider this when developing the budget since the majority of the district's revenue is tied to WADA.

8.2 Discuss considerations for the 2016-2017 salary schedule: Superintendent Jarrett reported on the salary survey and the board requested he bring salary recommendations to the March board meeting.

8.3. Statement of Impact requests from charter schools: The board discussed the five impact statements they had received and have decided to not approve the statements of impact for the charter schools because the change is expected to have an impact by ultimately reducing the state funds available to students at Brazos ISD and all traditional public schools.

9. Action Items

9.1 Order calling for a Board of Trustee Election for May 7, 2016 – Position VI – Felix Martinez II and Position VII – Brian T.

Demny: Christopher R. Nanez moved with a second by Myles Marek to call a Trustee Election on May 7, 2016 for Position VI – Felix Martinez II and Position VII – Brian Demny. The motion carried unanimously.

9.2. Consideration and action to request an attendance waiver from TEA for two students who are intermittently homebound and are receiving instruction through robotic technology: Myles Marek moved with a second by Felix Martinez II to request an attendance waiver from the Texas Education Agency for two students who are receiving instruction electronically through an interactive robot. The motion carried unanimously.

10. Closed Meeting: President Matt Demny closed the meeting for executive session as allowed by Texas Government Code sections 551.071 – 551.084, inclusive at 7:50 PM, February 15, 2016. President Matt Demny opened the meeting at 9:08 PM, February 15, 2016, and certified that there was no variance from the posted agenda in executive session.

11. Open Session: Take appropriate action resulting from closed session.

10.1. Christopher R. Nanez moved with a second by Wayne Jetelina to extend Mary McCarthy, Brazos High Principal, a two year contract. The motion carried unanimously.

Wayne Jetelina moved with a second by Felix Martinez II to renew the contracts for Principals, Clay Hudgins and Giselle Castorena, Special Education Director, Monica Gross, Special Programs Coordinator, Teresa Ressler, Band Director, Rolando Cantu Jr., and Athletic Director, Michael Bonewald. The motion carried unanimously.

10.2. Mark A. Fernandez moved with a second by Felix Martinez II to renew the yearly contracts for Food Service Director, Sheila Moseley and Director of Maintenance/Transportation, Bradley Reinecker. The motion carried unanimously.

10.3. Myles Marek moved with a second by Christopher R. Nanez to hire Jamie Bates, for the Prairie Harbor Administrator position, on a probationary contract beginning March 1, 2016 for the 2016-2017 school year. The motion carried unanimously.

12. Discussion of Future Agenda Items: If anyone needs to put an item on the agenda please call President, Matt Demny, or Superintendent, Earl Jarrett.

13. Adjourn: After having completed all agenda items, President Matt Demny adjourned the meeting at 9:13 PM, February 15, 2016.