**Minutes of Regular Board Meeting –March 24, 2021**

**BANQUETE INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT Board of Trustees**

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1. Invocation – Omar Ramirez

Pledge of Allegiance – Tracy Wright

1. Call to Order at 6:32pm

**BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT**

Mr. Tracy Wright – President

Mr. Omar Ramirez – Vice President

Lilly Nash – Secretary (Absent)

Mr. Joshua Garcia – Trustee

Mrs. Lillian Neely – Trustee

Mr. Mike Wessels – Trustee (Absent)

Mr. Chris Wildman– Trustee

**STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT**

Dr. Max Thompson – Superintendent

Adrian Pena- Superintendent of Business

Kerry Thompson – Curriculum Director

Ms. Denise Blanchard-HS Principal

Mr. Ramiro Pena- JH Principal

Adriana Tagle – BES Principal

Kevin Hermes-BISD Athletic Director

**VISITORS PRESENT**

Jose Garcia – HS Basketball Coach

Enrique Gonzalez – HS Powerlifting Coach

Ciera Gaitan – Softball Coach

1. **Open Forum:**

Audience participation at a Board meeting is limited to the public comment portion of the meeting designated for that purpose. No presentation shall be longer than 3 minutes. The board will not be able to respond to any topic discussed during the open forum if it is not listed on the agenda. At all other times during a Board meeting, the audience shall not enter into discussion or debate on the matter being considered by the board, unless requested by the presiding officer. Persons wishing to participate must sign up before the meeting and indicate the topic about which they wish to speak. Please see Board Operating Procedures for more details.

Sign In:

None

1. **Public Notice:**

Public Notice is given that the District may go into a closed meeting (executive session) at any time during the meeting in order to discuss matters listed on the agenda, when authorized by the provisions of the Texas Government Code. In the event the District elects to go into a closed meeting regarding any agenda item, the section or sections of the Open Meetings Act authorizing the closed meeting will be publicly announced by the presiding officer. The subjects listed below will be the items upon which formal action may be taken. The subjects do not have to be taken in the order listed here but may be brought up in any order at the discretion of the board.

The board will go into closed meeting according to Texas Code Section §551.74 during the discussions on personnel matters. Decisions and actions on all matters will be make in open session as required by Texas Government Code Section §551.102

1. Consideration of Employment
2. Resignations
3. Personnel
4. Long Range Plans and Purchases
5. **Report of Superintendent and Administrators:**

**Ms. Denise Blanchard:** Presented campus bulletin. 2 students awarded a full scholarship from Minni Stevens Piper Foundation. One Act Play advances, will perform at Tuloso-Midway on Friday 03/26/2020.

**Mr. Ramiro Pena:** Campus newsletter presented. JH District track meet to be held on Saturday. Ready for STAAR testing after Easter break.

**Mrs. Adriana Tagle**: Campus newsletter presented. Great month of March at BES. Having lots of activities going on to keep student and staff morale up.

**Mr. Kevin Hermes**: Spring is extremely busy. Track at HS on March 25th, JH track at Bishop, district golf Monday, March 27th, Tennis April 12&13, Baseball and Softball still going on. Excited about kids achieving great things.

Track has a low spot not major issues.

**Mr. Adrian Pena:** Nothing

**Mrs. Kerry Thompson:** BISD will hold Summer School for students who do not meet approaches on STAAR. Summer school will be face to face for two weeks- beginning on June 7th through June 17th, Monday-Thursday- 9:00 – 11:00 am.

HS will be the only campus testing for EOC/STAAR in the summer – face to face.

**Dr. Max Thompson:** Calendar attached to Boardbook.

1. **CONSENT OF AGENDA**-All item(s) on the Consent Agenda are considered to be routine and will be enacted with one motion and a majority vote of the governing body. There will not be a separate discussion of these item(s) unless a member of the governing body or a citizen requests, in which event these item(s) will be removed from the order of business and considered in normal sequence on the regular agenda.
   1. Payment of itemized bills
   2. Financial Statements and Balances
   3. Investments
   4. Tax Office Reports
   5. Cafeteria Report
   6. Cash Flow Report
   7. Approval of all standard reports, minutes, bills and informational item(s)

Motion made by Omar Ramirez and seconded by Chris Wildman to approve all other Consent of Agenda items as presented.

Motion Carried 5-0

**REGULAR AGENDA:**

The Board will consider, discuss and take appropriate action regarding the following items:

1. **STAFF AND STUDENT RECOGNITION**

Micaela Mayorga – Powerlifting State Qualifier

Ceadric Alvarez – 1000 Points Scored – 4 Years Basketball

Ciera Gaitan – Responding To Student Athlete at Falfurrias Softball Game

1. **ACS SAFETY AND SECURITY WORK UPDAATE**

Joe Abrams presented power point. Joe had a luncheon/presentation on Wed. Mar. 24th. Had representatives from Texas Highway Dept., Nueces Co. Constables, Bluntzer Fire Dept., Kingsville Dispatch, District Administrators present. Working on getting all local first responder on the same path.

Information Only

1. **ELEMENTARY DRAINGE PROJECT UPDATE/COMPLETION WITH GIGNAC**

Nick Gignac - Gignac representative could not attend meeting. Elementary drainage not completed. Drainage crates installed not acceptable. Invoice not fully paid out.

No Action Needed

Tray Wright – Left Meeting

1. **PERFORMANCE APPRAISAL EVALUATION OF TEACHER AND CAMPUS ADMINISTRATOR UPDATES**

Documents presented will be updated wording and to be used for the upcoming 2021-2022 school year.

Motion made by Chris Wildman and seconded by Lillian Neely to approve Performance Appraisal Evaluation of Teacher and Campus Administrator Updates as presented.

Motion carried 4-0

1. **RESOLUTION REGADING 2021 WINTER STORM EMERGENCY**

Dr. Thompson presented.

Motion made by Joshua Garcia and second by Chris Wildman to approve Resolution Regarding 2021 Winter Storm Emergency as presented.

Motion carried 4-0

1. **SEAL COAT QUOTE FOR ELEMENTARY PARKING LOT AND ANY BUDGET AMENDMENT(S)**

Quote for Elementary parking lot seal coat from Abel’s Paving presented. Abel’s Paving will come back and check on spots needing attention at HS parking lot.

Motion made by Lillian Neely and second by Chris Wildman to approve 2021-2022 Cheerleader Constitution as presented.

Motion carried 4-0

Dr. Thompson recommend approval of budget amendment to not more than $26,700 and allow $10,000 for HS parking lot.

Motion made by Chris Wildman and second by Lillian Neely to approve recommendation to amend budget to not more then $26,700.

Motion carried 4-0

1. **ACTIVITY BUS PURCHASE AND GRANT**

Grant offered to purchase extracurricular bus. Grant will pay for 68% of cost and district will pay remaining 32% of cost. Buses will only be used for extracurricular activities. Request to purchase 2 buses with grant.

Motion made by Chris Wildman and second by Lillian Neely to approve Activity Bus Purchase and Grant as presented.

Motion carried 4-0

1. **TESTING ATTENDANCE WAIVER**

Mrs. Thompson presented waiver. Attendance waiver will allow campus to let students not testing on campuses to stay home, this will allow teacher with no student to assist with the testing. Non-testing students will be taught via remote.

Motion made by Joshua Garcia and seconded by Chris Wildman to accept approve Testing Attendance Waiver as presented.

Motion carried: 4-0

1. **FACE TO FACE FOR ALL STUDENTS, NO MORE REMOTE INSTRUCTION UNLESS**

**COVID CAMPUS/DISTRICT CLOSURE**

Dr. Thompson requesting all students return to face to face by April 12, 2021. Data presented indicates student especially at High have high failure and low attendance percentages. Commissioner of Education announced TEA will be looking at the last six weeks of school year and hold the “Hold Harmless” funding based on the Six Sixweeks reporting period.

Motion made by Chris Wildman and second by Lillian Neely to approve Face to Face Return For All Students as recommended.

Motion carried 4-0

1. **SUPERINTENDENT REITIREMENT AGREEMENT PER POWELL LAW GROUP RECOMMENDATION**

Board members reviewed retirement agreement for a second time.

Motion made by Chris Wildman and seconded by Joshua Garcia to approve Superintendent Retirement Agreement as presented.

Motion carried 4-0

1. **CURRICULUM DIRECTOR’S POSITION**

Recommendation to continue position for the upcoming school year. Dr. Thompson will post Curriculum Director’s position in district for 10 days to allow certified district personnel interested an opportunity to apply for the position. Qualified recommendation will be made at the April board meeting if any.

Information only

1. **DATE AND TIME FOR APRIL REGULAR MEETING**

Regular board meeting scheduled for April 21st @6:30 pm

Due to Superintendent Timeline Search conflict – Regular board meeting has been rescheduled to Tuesday, April 13, 2021 @ 6:30 pm

Break: 8:50 pm

Return: 9:00 pm

19: BOARD/DISTRICT GOAL SETTING COMPLETION WITH ESC2 DIRECTOR DR. ESPERANZA ZENDEJAS

Dr. Zendejas continued Board/District Goal Setting from previous board meeting.

No Motion needed.

18. **ADJOURN**

Meetin adjourned at 9:28 pm

General Consent

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Tracy Wright, President Secretary