

**HIGHLAND INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT  
BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
REGULAR MEETING  
Monday, June 19, 2023  
7:00 PM**

**MINUTES**

**INVOCATION** – led by Brent Allen

**ROLL CALL**

Board of Trustees President Jimmy Johns called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m. and certified the presence of a quorum. Those present: Allen Hoelscher, Rebecca Gratehouse, Kevin Gillespie, Brent Allen and Derek Montgomery. Brandon Bankhead was not in attendance. Also present were Superintendent Steven Pyburn, Business Manager Lynn Ann Duniven, and Superintendent Secretary Recia Hale.

**RECOGNITION OF GUESTS**

Laura Schuchard  
Leslie Tomlin

**COMMUNITY COMMENTS**

**ITEMS for DISCUSSION and/or ACTION**

**A. Consent Agenda**

1. Minutes from the May 16, 2023 Regular Board meeting

There was a motion made by Brent Allen with a second by Kevin Gillespie to approve the consent agenda.

Motion passed 6-0.

**B. Business Manager Report**

Mrs. Duniven presented this report.

Information Only. No action.

**C. Consider Policy Update 121**

This is a policy change that came from TASB for update.

There was a motion made by Rebecca Gratehouse, seconded by Derek Montgomery, to approve (LOCAL) policies as offered by TASB Policy Service for consideration and according to the Instruction Sheet for TASB Localized Policy Manual Update 121.

Motion passed 6-0.

**D. Consider Student Laptop Agreement**

Mrs. Schuchard reviewed the current and possible revised agreements with the Board.

Brent Allen made a motion to approve the revised Student Laptop Agreement for the 2023-24 school year. Motion was seconded by Rebecca Gratehouse.

Motion passed 6-0.

**E. Discuss Progress of the Highland Education Foundation**

Rebecca Gratehouse discussed what the Foundation had going and in the works. 501 C3 approved. There was a \$15,000 grant approved. They are planning an event for Homecoming in September.

Information only.

**F. Additional Transfer Students for 2022-2023**

Mr. Pyburn reviewed a list of additional transfer students to consider for the 2023-2024 school year.

There was a motion made by Allen Hoelscher and a second by Brent Allen to accept and deny transfer students as recommended.

Motion passed 6-0.

**G. Principal's Report**

There was no principal's report for this meeting.

Information only.

## H. Superintendent Report

1. Student Enrollment for 2022-23
2. Update on Custodial/Maintenance
3. Update on Roofing of School and Teacherage

1. There was a motion made by Allen Hoelscher with a second from Derek Montgomery to approve forming a committee, which would include the superintendent and R. Gratehouse, who would implement steps to boost enrollment of classes through social media and online posts targeting different demographics. The Board also agreed on an "ideal" class size. Motion passed 5-0-1, with Rebecca Gratehouse abstaining.
2. Things that the Board would like more information on for next meeting:
  - o Basketball Game Gym Scoreboard
  - o OAP Stage Lighting
  - o Eastern Marquee
  - o LED Lights/sound in Activity Gym
  - o LED through the school: possible rolling schedule to update moving forward
  - o Sound at Football Stadium
3. Hire roofer to make repairs-have adjuster come back out if damage is found

## ADJOURN

With there being no further business, President Jimmy Johns declared the meeting adjourned at 8:54 p.m.

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President

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Secretary

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Date