

**HIGHLAND INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT  
BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
REGULAR MEETING  
Monday, September 19, 2022  
7:00 PM**

**MINUTES**

**INVOCATION** – led by Derek Montgomery

**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, Brandon Bankhead, Kevin Gillespie, Derek Montgomery and Rebecca Gratehouse. Cody Muncy was not in attendance. Also present were Superintendent Robbie Phillips, Business Manager Lynn Ann Duniven, Superintendent Secretary Recia Hale, Principal Brittany Lloyd, and Assistant Principal Morgan Martin.

**RECOGNITION OF GUESTS**

Kent Smith, Tracy Weaver, Leslie Tomlin

**OPEN FORUM**

**ITEMS for DISCUSSION and/or ACTION**

**A. Consent Agenda**

1. Minutes from the August 15 and August 29, 2022 Board meetings
2. Accounts payable

There was a motion made by Derek Montgomery and a second by Allen Hoelscher to approve the consent agenda.  
Motion passed 6-0.

**B. Business Managers Report**

Mrs. Duniven reviewed the accounts and any questions regarding payments that the Board members asked.

Information only. No action.

**C. Authorized Investment Brokers**

Mrs. Duniven reviewed a list of our investment brokers:

First Financial  
First Financial Bank Sweetwater  
First Public (Lone Star Pool)  
Texas National Bank  
TexSTAR Investment Pool  
Texas Range (Previously Texas Term)  
US Employee Benefits

Information only. No action.

**D. Investment Policy CDA(LOCAL)**

This is an annual agenda item. Mrs. Duniven reviewed our current investment policy CDA (LOCAL).

Information only. No action.

**E. Consider New Policy Regarding Class Sponsors**

Mr. Phillips presented a new policy regarding Class Sponsors where a person must first volunteer to sponsor a class. After the volunteer has been interviewed, a waiver is signed regarding lack of coercion and an acknowledgement that this is a volunteer position solely; with no monetary compensation.

***Due to the need to discuss in closed session; this Item was moved to the end of the meeting.***

**F. Consider Technology Updates**

Mr. Phillips reviewed possible updates to be made to the horn paging system and also for outside cameras.

There was a motion made by Brandon Bankhead with a second by Rebecca Gratehouse to accept the \$12,230 bid from Elite System for the horn paging system.

Motion passed 6-0.

There was a motion made by Brandon Bankhead with a second from Derek Montgomery to accept the bid from Elite System for \$15,560 for outside security cameras.

Motion passed 6-0.

**G. Fall Carnival**

The Board was presented a request for \$500 to be transferred to the 2022 Fall Carnival Activity Account.

There was a motion made by Kevin Gillespie with a second from Rebecca Gratehouse to approve a \$500 transfer to the Fall Carnival Account.  
Motion passed 6-0.

**H. Adjunct Faculty Agreement with Nolan County 4-H Organization**

Mr. Phillips reviewed the Adjunct Faculty Agreement with the Nolan County 4-H Organization allowing our students to attend 4-H activities as extra-curricular activities.

There was a motion made by Derek Montgomery and a second by Allen Hoelscher to approve the adjunct faculty agreement with the Nolan County 4-H Organization.  
Motion passed 6-0.

**I. Additional Transfer Students for 2022-23**

Mrs. Lloyd said there were no additional transfer students for the Board to consider at this time.

No action.

**J. Principals' Reports**

Mrs. Lloyd presented the principals' reports.

Information Only

**K. Superintendent's Report**

1. Scholarship Endowment
2. Official Accountability Report

Information Only.

*The Board entered into closed session at 8:02 p.m. under TCG Section 551.074.*

**E. Consider New Policy Regarding Class Sponsors**

*The Board resumed open session at 8:34 p.m.*

There was a motion made by Derek Montgomery with a second from Rebecca Gratehouse to approve the policy as presented, with it taking effect January 3, 2023.

Motion passed 6-0.

**ADJOURN**

With there being no further business, President Jimmy Johns declared the meeting adjourned at 8:42 p.m.

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President

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Secretary

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Date