HIGHLAND INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF TRUSTEES REGULAR MEETING Monday, September 18, 2023 7:00 PM

MINUTES

INVOCATION – led by Derek Montgomery

ROLL CALL

Board of Trustees President Jimmy Johns called the meeting to order at 7:04 p.m. and certified the presence of a quorum. Those present: Allen Hoelscher, Brandon Bankhead, Kevin Gillespie, Derek Montgomery and Brent Allen. Rebecca Gratehouse was not in attendance. Also present were Superintendent Steven Pyburn, Business Manager Lynn Ann Duniven, Superintendent Secretary Recia Hale, and Dean of Students Shea Baucom.

RECOGNITION OF GUESTS

OPEN FORUM

ITEMS for DISCUSSION and/or ACTION

A. Consent Agenda

1. Minutes from the August 14 and August 28, 2023 Board meetings

There was a motion made by Allen Hoelscher and a second by Kevin Gillespie 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. Nomination for Nolan County Central Appraisal District Board of Directors Board members reviewed the list of current members, and those willing to serve another term.

There was a motion made by Derek Montgomery with a second from Brent Allen to divide Highland ISD's 531 votes equally between the current members. Motion passed 6-0.

Member:	Votes:
Sheldon Claborn	106
Patricia Kannel	106
Ken Becker	106
Domingo Castillo	106
Dennis Cumbie	106

F. Undesignate Fund Balance

Mr. Pyburn discussed undesignated/designated fund balances.

There was a motion made by Brent Allen with a second by Derek Montgomery to undesignated the fund balance.

Motion passed 6-0.

G. Fall Carnival

The Board was presented a request for \$500 to be transferred to the 2023 Fall Carnival Activity Account.

There was a motion made by Kevin Gillespie with a second from Brent Allen to approve a \$500 transfer to the Fall Carnival Account.

Motion passed 6-0.

H. Additional Transfer Students for 2023-24

Mr. Pyburn presented the Board with additional transfer students for the 2023-24 school year.

The Board entered into closed session at 7:22 p.m. under TCG Section 551.074.

H. Additional Transfer Students for 2023-24

The Board resumed open session at 7:24 p.m.

There was a motion made by Derek Montgomery with a second from Kevin Gillespie to accept and deny the transfer students as recommended to the Board. Motion passed 6-0

I. Consider Purchase of Chevrolet Traverse

Mr. Pyburn presented bids for the purchase of a Chevrolet Traverse.

There was a motion made by Allen Hoelscher with a second from Derek Montgomery to approve the purchase up to \$37,000. Motion passed 6-0

J. Consider Purchase of School Bus

Mr. Pyburn presented bids for the purchase of a small school bus.

There was a motion made by Brent Allen with a second by Kevin Gillespie to purchase a small bus with the addition of USB Ports for up to \$108,500. Motion passed 6-0

K. Consider Purchase of Score Board

Mr. Pyburn presented various bids for the purchase of score boards, as requested.

There was a motion made by Brandon Bankhead with a second from Allen Hoelscher to purchase the score board that includes the side boards for points and fouls up to \$30,000.

Motion passed 6-0

L. Consider Purchase of Ag Trailer

Mr. Wehba presented options and bids for the purchase of a steer trailer.

There was a motion made by Kevin Gillespie with a second from Brent Allen to purchase either the Cimarron or Elite trailer up to \$49,999. Motion passed 6-0

M. Superintendent's Report

- 1. Safety Grant Update
- 2. LED Lighting and Stage Lighting Update

N. Personnel

Mr. Pyburn discussed with the Board support staff (custodial/maintenance) and the decision to not add another member at this time. To show their appreciation of the hard work and dedication for the custodians and maintenance employees, the Board approved a one-time thank you stipend of \$1,000.

There was a motion made by Derek Montgomery with a second by Kevin Gillespie to approve the stipend. Motion passed 6-0

ADJOURN

With there being no further business, President Jimmy Johns declared the meeting adjourned at 8:14 p.m.

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