

**HIGHLAND INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT  
BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
REGULAR MEETING  
Monday, September 27, 2021  
7:00 PM**

**MINUTES**

**INVOCATION** – led by Derek Montgomery

**ROLL CALL**

Board of Trustees Vice President Allen Hoelscher called the meeting to order at 7:08 p.m. and certified the presence of a quorum. Those present: Brandon Bankhead, Kevin Gillespie, Derek Montgomery and Cody Muncy. Also present were Superintendent Robbie Phillips, Business Manager Lynn Ann Duniven, Superintendent Secretary Recia Hale, and Elementary Principal Brittany Lloyd.

**RECOGNITION OF GUESTS**

Hunter Heady and Quay Lloyd

**OPEN FORUM**

**ITEMS for DISCUSSION and/or ACTION**

**A. Consent Agenda**

1. Minutes from the August 9 and August 23, 2021 Board meetings
2. Accounts payable

There was a motion made by Brandon Bankhead and a second by Cody Muncy to approve the consent agenda.  
Motion passed 5-0.

**B. Budget Amendment**

The Counselor needs to purchase a software program for 504 services. We need to move \$2,500 from 199-11 to 199-31 to cover the cost of the software.

There was a motion made by Kevin Gillespie and a second by Cody Muncy to approve the budget amendment as presented.  
Motion passed 5-0.

**C. Consider Policy Change to DEAB(LOCAL)**

Mrs. Duniven presented this policy change to the Board which would change the workweek from Saturday to Friday to Sunday to Saturday.

There was a motion made by Cody Muncy with a second from Derek Montgomery to accept the DEAB(LOCAL) policy change making the workweek Sunday to Saturday.

Motion passed 5-0.

**D. 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 Term  
US Employee Benefits

Information only. No action.

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

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

Information only. No action.

**F. Fall Carnival**

The Board was presented a donation request for the 2021 Fall Carnival.

There was a motion made by Derek Montgomery with a second from Kevin Gillespie to approve a \$500 donation to the Fall Carnival Fund.

Motion passed 5-0.

**G. Review Highland Scholarship with the San Angelo Area Foundation**

Mr. Phillips reviewed the current state of the SAAF Scholarship with the Board. He also presented options that could be implemented for the future of the scholarship fund.

There was a motion made by Derek Montgomery to move \$1 million dollars from our Fund Balance into the SAAF Scholarship Fund, allowing each student to receive \$2,250 per year of attendance at Highland upon graduation. This will be paid out over 8 collegiate semesters totaling up to \$27,000. It will be retroactive for current students and students currently enrolled in the SAAF program, paying out the higher amount in their remaining semesters. The motion was seconded by Cody Muncy.

Motion passed 5-0.

**H. Resolution for Remote Learning**

Mr. Phillips presented a Resolution Regarding Local Remote Learning Program to have our remote learning students log in to class each day of off-campus learning at 9:00 a.m. removing any asynchronous learning.

Brandon Bankhead made a motion to approve the Resolution Regarding Local Remote Learning Program, seconded by Derek Montgomery, as presented to the Board.

Motion passed 5-0.

**I. Resolution for COVID Days**

The Board approved the presented Resolution Regarding Extension of Leave for Employee Quarantine to allow for 10 COVID days for every employee.

There was a motion made by Derek Montgomery and a second from Cody Muncy to approve the Resolution Regarding Extension of Leave as presented to the Board  
Motion passed 5-0.

**J. Additional Transfer Students for 2021-22**

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

No action.

**K. 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 Kevin Gillespie and a second by Brandon Bankhead to approve the adjunct faculty agreement with the Nolan County 4-H Organization. Motion passed 5-0.

**L. Principals' Reports**

Mrs. Lloyd presented the principals' reports.

Information Only

**M. Superintendent's Report**

1. TASB Policy Review
2. Senior 2022 Suburban Request
3. Porches/Fencing for Superintendent Residence

Information Only.

**ADJOURN**

With there being no further business, Vice President Allen Hoelscher declared the meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

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Vice President

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Secretary

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Date