

Minutes of Regular Meeting

The Board of Trustees Hardin ISD

A Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees of Hardin ISD was held Tuesday, July 23, 2019, beginning at 6:00 PM in the Administration Annex Board Room - 290 CR 2003 N, Hardin, TX 77561.

1. Call to Order and Establish Quorum

Cody Parrish
Jerry Ursprung
James Campbell
Elaine Tidwell
Charles Bolds
Angie Amyx
Dana Holst

2. Opening Activities

- A. Prayer – Prayer was given by Charles Bolds.
- B. Reorganize the Board of Trustees.

Jerry Ursprung made the motion to keep the Board of Trustees for the 2019-2020 School Year as are currently seated with Cody Parrish as President, James Campbell as Vice-President and Jerry Ursprung as Secretary. Elaine Tidwell seconded the motion, all were in favor. The motion carried unanimously.

3. Public Comments/Communications:

There were no public comments/communications.

4. Information Items

A. Principal's Reports

Mr. Nixon gave an overview of the Hardin High School updates prepared by Stacy Tucker, High School Principal. High School's projected enrollment is 350 students. An update was given on new staff hires to be presented later in the meeting for approval by Board. A calendar of July/August activities was presented.

Mr. Nixon presented the Hardin Elementary School Board Report for July. It reflected on the past year and evaluated what was needed to be done for 2019-

2020 school year, including Fundamental 5 instructional strategies and common assessment and data analysis in grades 1 – 5. Ms. Jackson’s report stated there was an even greater sense of urgency to improve the skills of our teachers so that they can best equip our students to think critically and perform at high levels academically considering STAAR results.

B. Director's Reports

Mr. Nixon gave an overview of the Summer Maintenance Projects including the Junior High/JV Field House renovation, the Greenhouse for the Ag. Department, plugs for Junior High and an awning at the High School.

C. 2019-2020 Budget Workshop

Presenter: Chris Contreras

Mr. Contreras reported on the progress and preliminary figures of our 2019-2020 Budget with adjustments still being made to staff and retirement figures. A discussion was held regarding the new tax rate and CAD Report on local property values and effects on our tax revenue this year. He reported that this budget includes the HB3 required salary increases which equated to a 2% general pay increase across the board for all employees and the additional required for teachers. The total increase ended up being approximately 3.8%.

The budget also included band uniforms and band hall upgrades to change layout to accommodate storage and practice needs. It also included two new buses, camera system for buses, a pressure washer, tire balancer and heavy duty tire changer for the transportation department. Maintenance had requested three new floor scrubbers, a ½ ton pick-up and upgrade to gym with painting of walls, replacement of doors and bleacher replacement and repairs.

5. Consent Agenda

A. Minutes of the June 17, 2019, Regular Meeting of the Board

B. Monthly Financials, Investment Report, Tax Collections and Accounts Payable - June 2019.

Jerry Ursprung made the motion and Dana Holst seconded the motion to approve the minutes of the June 17, 2019 Regular Meeting of the Board and the monthly financials, investment report, tax collections and accounts payable for June 2019. All were in favor, the motion carried unanimously.

6. Board Action Items

A. Discuss and Approve Auditor Proposal with Recommendation and Engagement Letter for Annual Financial Audit Services for the year ending August 31, 2019.
Presenter: Chris Contreras

James Campbell made the motion to approve the Auditor Proposal Letter for Single Audit from Robert Belt, CPA, CGMA and Managing Partner of Belt Harris Pechacek LLLP (BHP) to conduct the annual Financial Audit for the current year ending August 31, 2019. Elaine Tidwell seconded the motion, all were in favor the motion carried unanimously.

B. Discuss and Approve TASB Policy Update 113.

Presenter: Gerald Nixon

Dana Holst made the motion to approve TASB Policy Update # 113 as presented. Angie Amyx seconded the motion. All were in favor, the motion passed unanimously.

C. Consider and Approve an administrative policy regarding Free/Reduced meals and meal charges in the Cafeteria Program.

Presenter: Chris Contreras

James Campbell made the motion to approve an administrative policy regarding Free/Reduced meals and meal charges in the Cafeterias, Angie Amyx seconded the motion, all were in favor. The motion carried unanimously.

D. Consider and Approve (T-TESS) Calendar for 2019-2020 (The Texas Teacher Evaluation of support system)

Presenter: Gerald Nixon

James Campbell made the motion to approve the (T-TESS) Calendar for 2019-2020 School Year and it was seconded by Dana Holst. All were in favor, the motion carried unanimously.

James Campbell made the motion to go into Executive Session at 7:00 PM. It was seconded by Elaine Tidwell. All were in favor, the motion passed unanimously.

7. Executive Session as Authorized by TX Gov. code Sec. 551 Subchapters D and E

A. Superintendent's Report

B. Discuss Personnel

1. Discuss and consider Personnel Resignations.
2. Discuss and consider Personnel Recommendations.

Dana Holst made the motion to come out of Executive Session at 9:24 PM. It was seconded by Angie Amyx. All were in favor, the motion passed unanimously.

8. Consider and Take Action on Items discussed in Executive Session

A motion was made by Jerry Ursprung and seconded by Elaine Tidwell to accept resignations as presented. All were in favor, the motion passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Jerry Ursprung and seconded by Dana Holst to accept Personnel Recommendations as presented. All were in favor, the motion passed unanimously.

9. Adjourn.

James Campbell made the motion to adjourn at 9:30 PM. It was seconded by Dana Holst. All were in favor, the motion passed unanimously.

These minutes are true and accurate record of the proceeding for Hardin ISD Board of Trustees Regular Meeting that took place on July 23, 2019.

Cody Parrish, President

Jerry Ursprung, Secretary