

January 21, 2021 Board Meeting Minutes

Call To Order at 6:34 pm

Expected in attendance: Carl Illig, Kathy Trullender, Mary Evelyn Bowling, Kimber Fuccello, Christopher Hinds, Montique Chance, and Jan MacWatters. The following staff members are expected in attendance: Dr. Bruce Tabor, Marcy Steward, and Kristi Lee.

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Public Comments

No public comments

Discussion and Action Items

- a. **Consideration of New Board Member:** Kathy Trullender says we are renewing the term of Mary Evelyn Bowling and considering a nomination of Suzanne Robinson for the board. Board members comment that they have all talked with Suzanne at length, except Jan MacWatters, did not. Jan says she will concede to not vote this time. Kathy moves we approve Suzanne Robinson for a 3-year term on the board. Kimber Fuccello seconds the motion and it passed unanimously. Carl welcomes Suzanne.

Carl moves to reinstate Mary Evelyn Bowling for a new 3 year term. Kimber seconds the motion. The motion passes unanimously.

- b. **Consideration of Audit:** Goodwater Audit Report
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Carl introduces independent auditor Gary Sauls with Paul J. Christensen & Associates LLC. Dr. Bruce recognizes Marcy for her hard work on the audit. Review of the audit. Kimber moves to accept the report and Jan seconds the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Consent Agenda- no members wanted to remove items from the consent agenda. Chris motions to approve the consent agenda. Kimber seconds the motion. The motion carries.

- a. **Superintendent/CEO Report** Dr. Bruce presents the report.
Carl thanks Dr. Bruce for his work.

Superintendent Report 01_21_2021.pdf

Montique Chance joins the meeting at 7:14 pm.

- b. **Special Education Report** There is no special education report.
- c. **Minutes from November 30, 2020**
- d. **Minutes from December 15, 2020**

Discussion and Action Items Continued

- e. **National School Lunch Program - Wellness Policy**
Heather Pencil and Marcy Steward present the wellness policy.

Kimber moves to approve the wellness policy. Chris Hinds seconds and the motion carries unanimously.

GoodwaterWellnessPolicy202001Draft.pdf

- f. **PPP Loan** Discussion on the current loan being forgiven, Marcy comments on how that affected the audit and budget. Discussion of applying for the new PPP loan, and possible eligibility.
- g. **Safety Committee Update-** Review of the Safety Committee Meeting.
- h. **Consideration to raise limits on checks for a single signer** Carl opens the discussion on a single signer for checks of a certain amount. Currently, the amount requiring a second signature is \$500. Mostly these checks are paychecks so we discuss getting all employees on direct deposit. We are looking into changing this in the Employee Handbook. Discussion on whether the amount should be \$2,500 or \$3,000. Kimber moves we change the amount to \$2,500. Montique seconds that motion. The motion is passed. Action item: Check with the bank to see if they require second signatures for a certain amount to be deposited.
- i. **Guidance from School Attorney for Employer Vaccine Policies** Discussion on requiring employees to be vaccinated. We are not sure what will be required state-wide. We will not decide at this time. 2021.01.19 Guidance for Employer Vaccine Policies.pdf
- j. **Updated Advisory on COVID Legislation and FFCRA Leave** Carl introduces the topic of FFCRA, additional leave surrounding COVID-19.

2020.12.30 Resolution on COVID-19 Leave Extension.pdf

Staff recommendation by Dr. Bruce, extend the policies (EPSLA and EFMLEA) until the end of the school year and continue the count of days taken.

Kimber motions to accept the staff recommendation of extending the policies until the end of the school year and continuing the current count of days taken. Chris seconds the motion. This passed unanimously.

k. **STARR Assessment Update**

The 4th and 7th grades will take the Writing STARR in April. All other STARR tests for 3rd-8th grades will be in May.

Closed Session Carl motions to enter closed session at 8:10 pm. Chris seconds that motion.

Per Texas Government Code section §551.074 to discuss personnel matters and/or Per Texas Government Code section §551.071 for a consultation with the school attorney and/or Per Texas Government Code section 551.072 to discuss Real Property

Announce Date and Time of Next Board Meeting Tuesday February 23, 6:30 pm

Action items: Carl will send the Texas Open Meetings Act information to the new board member.

Adjourn Chris motions to adjourn and Mary Evelyn seconds. This passes unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 8:36 pm.

