

MINUTES

The Board of Trustees of the Sweeny Independent School District met in Regular Session at 6:03 p.m. on Tuesday, July 14, 2015, in the All-Purpose Meeting Room of the Administration Building located at 1310 Elm Street, Sweeny, TX. Dr. Garrison called the meeting to order. The Pledges of Allegiance to the American and Texas flags were recited and Dr. Garrison gave the invocation. All Board Members were present except Jan Reddoch.

The following Board members were present:

Glenn Garrison, President
Donna Bohlar-Schroeder – Secretary
Mark Gregurek
Earl Mathis
Peggy Ellis
Connie McAda

The following Board Members were absent:

Jan Reddoch

The following staff members were present:

Randy Miksch, Superintendent
Dr. Donna Thompson, Assistant Superintendent, Curriculum, Federal & Special Programs
Vincent Strother, Executive Director of Business Services
Brett Miksch, Executive Director of Administrative Services & Athletics
Brian Brooks, Principal, Sweeny High School
Michael Saul, Principal, Sweeny Jr. High School
Michael Heinroth, Principal, Sweeny Elementary School
Martha Finley, Recording Secretary

Also present for this meeting:

Justin Kilbride - Drymalla
Steve Daylor – PBK
Cindy King
Kathy Wolford

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE PUBLIC – none

PBK/DRYMALLA CONSTRUCTION UPDATE – Justin Kilbride with Drymalla gave an update on all construction projects. Packages 1-5 are almost complete and Packages 6-8 are progressing.

CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Approval of Minutes
- B. Bond Issue Accounts Payable Fund 616 (2015 Bond Issue)
- C. Capital Projects Accounts Payable Fund 680
- D. Capital Projects Accounts Payable Fund 681
- E. Bond Issue Accounts Payable Fund 692
- F. Bond Issue Accounts Payable Fund 693
- G. Petrochemical Academy Purchases – Fund 694
- H. Bond Issue Accounts Payable Fund 698
- I. Budget Amendments – Revisions
- J. Board Consideration and Approval of Bond Construction Invoices

MOTION was made by Mr. Mathis, I move to approve Consent Agenda Items A – J as presented. All voted aye

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(6-0) Motion carried.

CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF A MILK SUPPLIER FOR CHILD NUTRITION FOR THE 2015-2016 SCHOOL YEAR

Mr. Strother presented the information and informed the Board that the contract is for three years not one year as stated. Only one proposal was received with the sole proposal from Oak Farms. Discussion followed.

MOTION was made by Mr. Gregurek, seconded by Mrs. Ellis, to approve the contract with Oak Farms for milk products for the 2015-2018 school years. All voted aye. (6-0) Motion carried.

The Board adjourned into Executive Session at 6:15 p.m.

551.072 For the purpose of discussing the purchase, exchange, lease, or value of real property if deliberation in an open meeting would have a detrimental effect on the position of the governmental body in negotiations with a third party.

- Real Estate

Cindy King – City Manager was invited to attend.

The Board reconvened into Regular Session at 6:48 p.m.

No Action was taken.

TAX RESALE PROPERTY - Mr. Strother said that this property # 7885-0397-000 meets board requirements.

MOTION was made by Mrs. Bohlar-Schroeder, seconded by Mr. Gregurek, to approve the offer as presented and recommended. All voted aye. (6-0) Motion carried.

CONSIDER BOARD APPROVAL OF A RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR REIMBURSEMENT OF GENERAL FUND EXPENDITURES WITH SUBSEQUENT QUALIFIED ENERGY CONSERVATION BONDS FOR ENERGY EFFICIENCY UPGRADES

- Mr. Miksch said that in an effort to reduce interest costs while not interrupting scheduled maintenance, administration is recommending the temporary use of the "General Fund" cash reserves to fund up to \$2,000,000 of the energy efficiency upgrades approved at the June 9th board meeting which would be reimbursed once the QECB money is received from the county. Discussion followed.

MOTION was made by Mrs. McAda, seconded by Mrs. Bohlar-Schroeder, the Board adopt the attached Resolution Expressing Intent to Finance Expenditures to Be Incurred, and that the Board President and Board Secretary be authorized to execute the associated documents on the District's behalf. All voted aye. (6-0) Motion carried.

CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF A RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR REIMBURSEMENT OF GENERAL FUND EXPENDITURES WITH SUBSEQUENT E-RATE MONIES FOR INTERNAL NETWORKING CONNECTIONS, CABLING, AND EQUIPMENT

- Mr. Miksch said that in an effort to reduce interest costs while not interrupting scheduled maintenance, administration is recommending the temporary use of "General Fund" cash reserves to fund up to \$346,370 of the Internal Networking Connections, Cabling, and Equipment project which would be reimbursed once the e-Rate monies are received. Discussion followed. Mrs. McAda questioned if this was included in the bond monies.

The Board decided to move on from this item until Mr. Strother could contact Mrs. Gregurek for more information.

CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF PORTABLE RESTROOM RENTALS FOR JR. HIGH FACILITIES - Mr. Strother presented information regarding the possible rental of portable trailer restrooms for Junior High Physical

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Education and Athletics while the locker rooms are being renovated during the 2015-2016 school year. Discussion followed regarding the quote from The Texas Loo.

MOTION was made by Mr. Gregurek, seconded by Mrs. Bohlar-Schroeder, to approve the rental of the small portable trailer restrooms for the Jr. High Facility for the 2015-2016 school year. All voted aye (6-0) Motion carried.

CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF DISTRICT POLICE VEST AND VEHICLE DASH CAMERAS – Mr. Strother said that the representative with Watchguard Video was unable to attend the meeting to answer the Board’s questions. Chief Ideus was also unable to attend. Dr. Garrison said that **no action would be taken on this item** until Chief Ideus could provide the Board with more information, a policy has been written and reviewed, and the bid can be clarified.

No action taken and this agenda item will be moved to another meeting.

CHANGE BOARD MEETING DATE IN MARCH 2016 – MOTION was made by Mr. Mathis, seconded by Mrs. Ellis, to approve changing the regular SISD Board meeting from March 8, 2016 to March 15, 2016 as presented and recommended. All voted aye (6-0) Motion carried.

CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF EMPLOYEE COMPENSATION INCREASE FOR 2015-2016 - Mr. Miksch said we are looking at either 3% or 4% raise based on midpoint. Mr. Miksch checked with surrounding districts and they were giving either 3% or 4% pay raises this year. It was noted that the cost of insurance is increasing for the 2015-2016 school year. Dr. Garrison pointed out that SISD’s salaries are on the low end compared to surrounding districts. Discussion followed.

MOTION was made by Mr. Mathis, seconded by Mrs. Bohlar-Schroeder, to approve the employee compensation increase of 5% for 2015-2016. All voted aye. (6-0) Motion carried.

2015-2016 BUDGET UPDATE – Mr. Strother gave an update of the budget. Discussion followed.

CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF A RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR REIMBURSEMENT OF GENERAL FUND EXPENDITURES WITH SUBSEQUENT E-RATE MONIES FOR INTERNAL NETWORKING CONNECTIONS, CABLING, AND EQUIPMENT – Continued - Discussion

MOTION was made by Mrs. McAda, seconded by Mr. Gregurek, I move that the Board adopt the attached Resolution Expressing Intent to Finance Expenditures to Be Incurred, and that the Board President and Board Secretary be authorized to execute the associated documents on the District’s behalf regarding \$346,370 in proceeds from e-rate money. All voted aye. (6-0) Motion carried.

INNOVATIVE COURSE APPLICATION APPROVAL – “DATA ACQUISITION AND ANALYSIS” – Dr. Thompson said that the High School Counselor brought over an application for a class entitled “Data Acquisition and Analysis” within the Instrumentation course of study at the Sweeny Petrochemical Academy. Students will learn how to apply the engineering design process as they work in small groups on multiple short-term design problems and one long-term project. Discussion followed.

MOTION was made by Mr. Gregurek, seconded by Mrs. Ellis, I move that Sweeny ISD make application to the Texas Education Agency to offer an innovative course entitled “Data Acquisition and Analysis” within the Instrumentation course of study beginning with the 2015-2016 school year. All voted aye. (6-0) Motion carried.

COMMUNITY AND STUDENT ENGAGEMENT PERFORMANCE INDICATORS – Dr. Thompson presented the information. All Districts are required to evaluate the District’s performance of each campus in regard to community and student engagement.

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STAAR 2015 RESULTS DISAGGREGATED BY SUBGROUPS - Dr. Thompson presented the information requested at the June 2015 Board Meeting to see more detailed preliminary STAAR results for 2014-2015.

UPDATE GRANTS MANAGEMENT MANUAL – Dr. Thompson presented the information.

REPORTS - no questions.

MISCELLANEOUS

Dr. Garrison said that the Board needs to set the time for the Formative Evaluation.

The Board adjourned into Executive Session at 8:56 p.m.

Section 551.074

For the purpose of considering the appointment, employment, Evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline, or dismissal of a public Officer or employee; or to hear a complaint or charge against an officer or employee.

- Superintendent’s Formative Evaluation & Contract
- Personnel

The Board reconvened into Regular Session at 9:47 p.m.

MOTION was made by Mr. Mathis, seconded by Mr. Gregurek, I move that we increase the Superintendent’s pay by 5% as we have the other employees of the District. All voted aye. (6-0) Motion carried.

MOTION was made by Mr. Mathis, seconded by Mrs. Ellis, I move that we commission the Superintendent to commission an agency to assist with the search for a principal at the high school level. All voted aye. (6-0) Motion carried.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:54 p.m.

Glenn Garrison

Donna Bohlar-Schroeder