# Minutes of Regular Board Meeting November 10, 2020

# The Board of Trustees Texas City Independent School District

Present:

Nakisha Paul, President

Melba Anderson Dickey Campbell Mabel Pratt Bryan Thompson

Absent:

Hal Biery

Nelson Juarez, Vice President

Also Present: Dr. Melissa Duarte, Superintendent

Susan Myers, Deputy Superintendent of Education

Dr. Terri Burchfield, Assistant Superintendent of Support Services Marcus Higgs, Assistant Superintendent of Human Resources Margaret Lee, Assistant Superintendent for Business & Operations

Chudi Abajue, IBI Group

Kenestra Bland, Principal of La Marque Middle School

David Hodgins, TCSD Attorney

Adriana Lyle, Executive Administrative Assistant/Board Secretary

Mark Lyon, Director of Fine Arts

Sgt. D. Filmore, Galveston County SLO

Patti Martin, Principal of Hayley Elementary

Bobby Mills, Systems Administrator

Ricky Nicholson, Principal of La Marque High School

Don Pursley, Director of Facilities

Melissa Tortorici, Director of Communications

Brentley Williams, HWH

Sharon Williams, Principal of Simms Elementary

A Regular Board Meeting of the Board of Trustees of Texas City Independent School District was held Tuesday, November 10, 2020, beginning at 6:30 p.m. in the Simpson Education Support Center Board Room.

## 1. Call to Order

#### 2. First Order of Business

2.A. Announcement by the President whether a quorum is present, that the meeting has been duly called, and a notice of the meeting has been posted for the time and manner required by law

Ms. Nakisha Paul, President, called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. Ms. Paul announced that a quorum was present, that the meeting had been duly called, and a notice of the meeting had been posted in the time and manner required by law.

## 3. Pledge & Invocation

Ms. Melba Anderson, Board Member, led the pledges to the flags. Mrs. Mable Pratt, Board Member, gave the invocation.

#### 4. Public Forum

#### There was no Public Forum at this time.

## 5. Special Recognition

5.A. Texas Art Education Association High Outstanding Educator for the High School Division

#### 5.A.1. Joan Finn

Mr. Mark Lyon, Director of Fine Arts, introduced Ms. Joan Finn as the TEA 2020 Outstanding Educator in the High School Division. We are very proud of Ms. Finn to receive this prestigious award.

## 5.B. Best Communities for Music Education designation from The NAMM Foundation

Mr. Mark Lyon, Director of Fine Arts, explained that the Best Communities for Music Education designation is awarded to districts that demonstrate outstanding achievement in efforts to provide music access and education to all students. Texas City ISD answered survey questions aligned with goals for equity and access to music education for all students and with the national standard for music education. Texas City ISD was one of the 754 school districts that are among the Best Communities in the nation for music education

#### 6. Action Items

6.A. Consider Approval of Minutes for Board Meeting Held October 13, 2020

Mr. Bryan Thompson, Board Member, moved to approve the minutes from meetings held on October 13, 2020. Ms. Melba Anderson, Board Member, seconded the motion. The motion carried 5/0.

#### 6.B. Consider Approval of Legislative Priorities

Dr. Melissa Duarte, Superintendent, briefly reviewed the 2021 Galveston Schools Consortium Legislative Priorities. We request that the Board approve these legislative priorities to be presented on December 3, 2020, at 6:00 p.m. to our legislative representative. These priorities represent Galveston County District needs.

Mr. Dickey Campbell, Board Member, made a motion to approve the 2021 Galveston Schools Consortium Legislative Priorities. Mr. Bryan Thompson, Board Member, seconded the motion. The motion carried 5/0.

6.C. Consider Approval of Board Operating Procedures

Dr. Melissa Duarte, Superintendent, stated that she updated the 2015 Board Operating Procedures and edited them to align to board policy.

Mr. Bryan Thompson, Board Member, made a motion to accept the Board Operating Procedures as presented. Mrs. Mabel Pratt, Board Member, seconded the motion. The motion carried 5/0.

6.D. Consider Approval of Superintendent Evaluation Instrument

Dr. Melissa Duarte, Superintendent, presented a revised Superintendent's Formative Evaluation Instrument based on the HB 3 Board adopted goals.

Mr. Bryan Thompson, Board Member, made a motion to approve the revised Superintendent's Evaluation Instrument. Mr. Dickey Campbell, Board Member, seconded the motion. The motion carried 5/0.

6.E. Approve District Safety and Security Committee and District Safe and Supportive Schools Program Team

Dr. Melissa Duarte, Superintendent, explained that Senate Bill 11established parameters to support districts across the state with school safety. Administration is presenting two committees developed per Senate Bill 11. A Safety and Security Committee whose focus will be on multihazard emergency operations plans and the Safe and Supportive Schools Program Team (SSSP) that will focus on threat assessment and program implementation to address trauma and social and emotional learning.

Ms. Melba Anderson, Board Member, made a motion to approve the Safety and Security Committee and Safe and Supportive Schools Program Team. Mr. Bryan Thompson, Board Member, seconded the motion. The motion carried 5/0.

#### 7. Information Items

7.A. Review for Approval the 2020-2021 Texas City ISD Improvement Plans Including:

Mrs. Susan Myers, Deputy Superintendent of Education, presented five Principals who reviewed their most important District Improvement Plans, Campus Improvement Plans, STARR Action Plans, Target, and Improvement plans for campuses who continue in the state improvement process due to the 2019 accountability data.

- 7.A.1. Targeted Improvement Plans for Identified TCISD Campuses
- 7.A.2. STAAR Action Plans for TCISD Campuses
- 7.A.3. Campus Improvement Plans
- 7.A.4. District Improvement Plan

7.B. Review District Initiated Local Policy Revision AE (Local) - 1st Reading AE (Local) Educational Philosophy

Dr. Terri Burchfield, Assistant Superintendent of Support Services, briefly reviewed the local policy revisions to AE(LOCAL) Educational Philosophy – First Reading

8. Review of Facilities / New Construction Report

Mr. Brandon Williams, HWH, gave an update on Guajardo, Hayley, and Simms Elementary Campuses.

Mr. Chudi Abajue, IBI, gave an update on La Marque Middle School demolition, new site, and construction schedule.

#### 9. Consent Agenda

Ms. Melba Anderson, Board Member, moved to approve items A(1-4), B, C, D, E, F(1-11), G(1-2), H(1-4), I(2-6), J, K, and L. Mrs. Mabel Pratt, Board Member, seconded the motion. The motion carried 5/0.

# Item I.1. was pulled to be voted on separately.

- 9.A. Consider approval of 2020-2021 Texas City ISD Improvement Plans Including:
  - 9.A.1. Targeted Improvement Plans for Identified TCISD Campuses
  - 9.A.2. STAAR Action Plans for TCISD Campuses
  - 9.A.3. Campus Improvement Plans
  - 9.A.4. District Improvement Plan
- 9.B. Consider for Approval the TCISD 2021-2024 Board Adopted Goals
- 9.C. Consider for Approval the TEA Approved Texas City ISD 2020-2021 Asynchronous Learning Plan
- 9.D. Consider Approval of the Calvin Vincent Head Start 2020 -2021 Policy Council Members
- 9.E. Consider Approval of the October 2020 Calvin Vincent Head Start Director's Report
- 9.F. Consider Approval of September Financial Reports
  - 9.F.1. Dashboard Report
  - 9.F.2. General Fund Operating Statement
  - 9.F.3. Nutrition Services Operating Statement

- 9.F.4. Expenditures by Function All
- 9.F.5. Expenditures by Function 1XX
- 9.F.6. Expenditures by Function Head Start
- 9.F.7. Check Register All
- 9.F.8. Check Register Head Start
- 9.F.9. Bond Accounting
- 9.F.10. Investment Report
- 9.F.11. Tax Collector Report
- 9.G. Consider Approval Budget Amendments Requiring Approval Under Board Policy CE(Local)
  - 9.G.1. Budget Transfers
  - 9.G.2. Budget Revisions
- 9.H. Consider Approval of Solicitations Requiring Approval Under Board Policy CH(Local)
  - 9.H.1. 30-37 Oil and Antifreeze
  - 9.H.2. 30-38 Miscellaneous Clothing
  - 9.H.3. 30-39 Safety Supplies
  - 9.H.4. 30-40 Miscellaneous Retail and Services
  - 9.H.5. 30-41 Reroofing
- 9.I. Consider Approval of Purchases Requiring Approval Under Board Policy CH(Local)
  - 9.I.2. Power for Relocated LMHS Portable Buildings
  - 9.I.3. Water and Sewer for Relocated LMHS Portable Buildings
  - 9.I.4. Asphalt at Approaches for Simms and Guajardo Elementary to Address Scope Gap
  - 9.I.5. Playground Equipment for Simms, Hayley, and Guajardo Elementary Schools
  - 9.I.6. Wireless Access Points Districtwide
- 9.J. Consider Approval and Ratification of Amendment for Professional Services Agreement and Task Order 2 for FEMA Consulting Services with Rostan
- 9.K. Consider Approval to Transfer Fund Balance Reserved for Construction from General Fund to Capital Projects Fund Effective August 31, 2020
- 9.L. Donations

# Item I.1. was pulled to be voted on separately.

9.I.1. Score Board and Sound System at Stingaree Stadium

A request was made by Dickey Campbell, Board Member, to pull and discuss the Scoreboard and Sound System at Stingaree Stadium in detail with Trustees.

A decision was made to table this item until the December meeting and have Leland Surovik, Athletic Director, available to give more information and answer Trustee questions. No action was taken on this item.

#### 10. Future Business

- 10.A. Future Agenda Items
- 10.B. Consider Report by Superintendent and/or Board Members Regarding Previous or Upcoming Activities for Board Members
- Dr. Duarte, Superintendent, gave an update of upcoming activities for Board Members.
  - 10.B.1. November/December District Calendar
- 10.C. Future Meeting Dates
  - 10.C.1. Citizens Facilities Advisory Committee December 3, 2020;6:00 p.m.; Boardroom
  - 10.C.2. Board Facilities Committee Meeting November 30, 2020; 4:00 - 5:00 p.m.; Boardroom
  - 10.C.3. Culturally Responsive Leadership Committee Meeting December 14, 2020; 4:30-5:00p.m.; Boardroom
  - 10.C.4. Safety and Security Committee Meeting December 2, 2020; 5:30 7:00 p.m.; Virtual

## 11. Closed Meeting

- 11.A. Closed meeting will be held for the purposes authorized by the Texas Open Meetings Act, Texas Government Code Section 551.071 et seq. concerning any and all purposes permitted by the Act, including but not limited to the following sections and purposes: Texas Government Code Sections:
- Mr. Bryan Thompson, Board Member, made a motion to convene into a closed meeting under Texas Government Code Sections 551.071 through 551.087. Mr. Dickey Campbell, Board Member, seconded the motion. The motion carried 5/0. The Board of Trustees entered a closed session at 8:28 p.m.
- 11.B. **551.071** For the purpose of a private consultation with the Board's attorney on all subjects or matter authorized by law

- 11.B.1. When the governmental body seeks the advice of its attorney about:
  - 11.B.1.a. Pending or contemplated litigation or
  - 11.B.1.b. A settlement offer; or
- 11.B.2. On a matter in which the duty of the attorney to the governmental body under the Texas Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct of the State Bar of Texas clearly conflicts with this chapter
- 11.B.3. Consider legal advice regarding the purchase and sale agreement for the purchase of land related action items
- 11.B.4. Consider legal advice regarding personnel issues
- 11.B.5. Consider legal advice regarding any item listed on the agenda
- 11.C. **551.072** For the purpose of discussing the purchase, exchange, lease, or value of real property
  - 11.C.1. Review purchase and sale agreement for the purchase of land
- 11.D. **551.073** For the purpose of discussing negotiated contracts for prospective gifts or donations
- 11.E. **551.074** For the purpose of considering the appointment, employment, resignation, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline, or dismissal of a public officer or employee
  - 11.E.1. Consider hiring professional, and non-professional personnel
  - 11.E.2. Consider renewals, non-renewals, and terminations of contracts for professional and non-professional personnel
- 11.F. **551.076** For the purpose of considering the deployment, specific occasions for, or implementation of, security personnel or devices
- 11.G. **551.082** For the purpose of considering discipline of a public school child, or complaint or charge against personnel
- 11.H. **551.0821** For the purpose of considering a matter regarding a public school student where personally identifiable information about the student will necessarily be revealed by the deliberation
- 11.I. 551.083 For the purpose of considering the students, guidelines, terms, or conditions the Board will follow or will instruct its representatives to follow in consultation with a representative of employee groups
- 11.J. 551.084 Excluding witness for a hearing

# 12. Reconvene from Closed Meeting

Trustees reconvened at 9:12 p.m.

#### 13. Consider Action on Items Discussed in Closed Session

13.A. Consider Board Approval of Professional Personnel Recommendations and Related Actions

No action was taken at this time.

13.B. Consider Board Approval of Renewal, Non-Renewals, and Terminations of Contracts for Professional Personnel and Related Actions

No action was taken at this time.

# 14. Adjournment

Mr. Dickey Campbell, Board Member, moved to adjourn the meeting at 9:13 p.m. Ms. Melba Anderson, Board Member, seconded the motion. The motion carried 5/0. Approved:

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