

Minutes of Special Board Meeting July 24, 2018

The Board of Trustees Texas City Independent School District

Members Present: Hal Biery, President
Bryan Thompson, Vice President
Melba Anderson
Dickey Campbell
Nakisha Paul
Mable Pratt

Absent: Nelson Juarez

Present: Dr. Rodney Cavness, Superintendent
Susan Myers, Deputy Superintendent of Education
Dr. Terri Burchfield, Assistant Superintendent of Support Services
Margaret Lee, Assistant Superintendent for Business & Operations

James Banks, Executive Director of Technology
Zachary Cowey, Financial Service Administrator
Sergeant Derrick Fillmore, Galveston Sherriff's Office
Jack Haralson, Assistant Director of Maintenance & Operations
Adriana Lyle, Executive Administrative Assistant/Board Secretary
Mike Matranga, Executive Director of Security and Sch. Safety
Ricky Nicholson, La Marque High School Principal
Sergeant La Donna Saucedo, Galveston Sherriff's Office
Melissa Tortorici, Director of Communications
Trey White, Director of Technology

A Special Board Meeting of the Board of Trustees of Texas City Independent School District was held Tuesday, July 24, 2018, beginning at 6:30 PM in the Simpson Education Support Center Board Room.

1. Call to Order

2. First Order of Business

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

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

3. Information

A. Facility building update and infrastructure update from Jack Haralson

Mr. Jack Haralson, Assistant Director of Maintenance & Operations, gave a facility building update and infrastructure update. Mr. Haralson reviewed the status of current facilities projects for the following:

- *Transitional Campuses: Updated timeline for occupancy*
- *New Elementary Campuses: Program, schematic and building locations*
- *Proposed paving and parking projects*

B. Review purchases requiring Board Approval

1. Veritiv – Xerographic Paper \$83,126.40 (General Fund)

Mrs. Margaret Lee, Assistant Superintendent for Business & Operations, reviewed purchasing estimates. Mrs. Lee stated that four truckloads of paper totaling \$83,126.40 would be needed for the 2018-19 school year. The paper will be paid with Bond Funds. Veritiv was previously awarded the paper bid that included paper for the 2018-19 school year. Paper is an inventory item that is delivered and charged to the campuses as needed. The warehouse currently has approximately 150 cases of paper, which is not enough to start the school year.

2. First Net / AT&T – Secure Communications \$6,325.31 (General Fund)

Mr. Mike Matranga, Executive Director of Security and Sch. Safety, stated that the First Net / AT&T purchases are less than \$50,000, and due to monthly charges and the possibility of additional lines, TCISD is requesting Board approval. The monthly bundle is not eligible for bond funding and will be funded with the general fund operations budget. The District is making the purchase through AT&T's DIR contract (a purchasing cooperative). Mr. Matranga reviewed the First Net system and answered questions about the products and services that are included with the purchase.

3. Mutual Link / BearCom Emergency Response System \$149,384.45 (Bond Fund)

Mr. Mike Matranga, Executive Director of Security and Sch. Safety, explained that the Mutual Link system is provided through BearCom and, if approved, would be purchased through HGAC's purchasing cooperative. Bond funds totaling \$149,384.45 will pay for the system. Mr. Matranga discussed the BearCom Emergency Response System and answered questions about the products and services that are included with the purchase.

4. *Wade Garcia – Radio Frequency Identification System (RFID) \$581,337 (Bond Fund)*

Mr. Mike Matranga, Executive Director of Security and Sch. Safety, stated that on July 10, he discussed the RFID (Radio Frequency ID) system through Identisys. This product is available through several different companies and, ultimately, he and Mr. Banks recommend awarding the contract to Wade Garcia and Associates. The recommendation includes grades 5-12, all TCISD staff, and buses. The initial purchase of \$581,337 will be paid with Bond Funds. Mr. Matranga answered questions about the selected RFID system.

4. Business / Legal / Finance Consent Agenda

Mr. Bryan Thompson, Vice President, moved to approve items A, B, C, and D. Mr. Dickey Campbell, Board Member, seconded the motion. The motion carried 6/0.

- A. Veritiv – Xerographic Paper \$83,126.40 (General Fund)
- B. First Net / AT&T – Secure Communications \$6,325.31 (General Fund)
- C. Mutual Link / BearCom Emergency Response System \$149,384.45 (Bond Fund)
- D. Wade Garcia – Radio Frequency Identification System (RFID) \$581,337 (Bond Fund)

5. Closed Meeting - Closed meeting will be held for the purposes authorized by the Texas Open Meetings Act, Texas Government Code Section 551.071 - 551.087 concerning any and all purposes permitted by the Act, including but not limited to the following sections and purposes: Texas Government Code Sections:

Ms. Melba Anderson, Board Member, made a motion to convene into a closed meeting under Texas Government Code Sections 551.071 through 551.087 Mr. Bryan Thompson, Vice President, seconded the motion. The motion carried 6/0. The Board of Trustees entered closed session at 8:04 p.m.

- A. **551.071** For the purpose of a private consultation with the Board's attorney on all subjects or matter authorized by law
 - 1. when the governmental body seeks the advice of its attorney about:
 - a. Pending or contemplated litigation or
 - b. A settlement offer; or
 - 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;
 - 3. Consider legal advice regarding items specifically listed on the Agenda.
- B. **551.072** For the purpose of discussing the purchase, exchange, lease, or value of real property:

1. Consider Annexation Determination by Texas Education Commissioner regarding La Marque ISD and related actions
2. Review detachment and annexation of territory
- C. **551.073** For the purpose of discussing negotiated contracts for prospective gifts or donations
- D. **551.074** For the purpose of considering the appointment, employment, resignation, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline or dismissal of a public officer or employee
 1. Consider hiring of professional personnel;
 2. Consider renewals, non-renewals, and terminations of contracts for professional personnel;
- E. **551.076** For the purpose of considering the deployment, specific occasions for, or implementation of, security personnel or devices
- F. **551.082** For the purpose of considering discipline of a public school child, or complaint or charge against personnel
- G. **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 representative of employee groups
- H. **551.084** Excluding witness for a hearing
- I. **551.087** For deliberation regarding economic development negotiations
 1. Discuss or deliberate regarding commercial or financial information that the governmental body has received from a business prospect that the governmental body seeks to have locate, stay, or expand in or near the territory of the governmental body and with which the governmental body is conducting economic development negotiations;
 2. Deliberate the offer of a financial or other incentive to a business prospect described by Subdivision (1)

6. **Reconvene from Closed Meeting**

The Board of Trustees reconvened into open session at 9:01 p.m.

7. **Consider Action on Items Discussed in Closed Session**

- A. Consider Board approval of professional personnel recommendations and related actions

No action was taken.

- B. Consider Board approval of renewals, non-renewals, and terminations of contracts for professional personnel and related actions

No action was taken.

8. Adjournment

Mr. Bryan Thompson, Vice President, moved to adjourn the meeting at 9:02 p.m. Ms. Nakisha Paul, Board Member, seconded the motion. The motion carried 6/0.

Approved:

Hal Biery
TCISD Board of Trustees

Date

Adriana Lyle, Secretary
TCISD Board of Trustees

Date