

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING
February 22, 2021

I. CALL TO ORDER

Mr. Norman called the meeting to order at 5:00 pm.

II. ROLL CALL

Members present were Rusty Norman, Eric Davenport, James Grassmuck, Patrick Kelly, Clay Hertenberger and Angie Lambert. Matt Crable arrived at 5:50 pm. Dr. Wall was in attendance.

Others present at Budget Workshop:

Bob Atkins, Heather Brown, Patti Hanssard, Kim Ross, Alex Sanchez, Lee Townsend and Tom Linklater

School Officials and Others Present at Regular Meeting:

Flo Adkins, Bob Atkins, Matt Bentley, Cherie Bowers, Walter Braun, Heather Brown, Jenny Davenport, Patti Hanssard, Rachel Harris, Destini Martin, Mark McKinney, Kathy Oliver, Harold Payne, Julie Pittman, Michelle Pourchot, Kim Ross, Sara Ryan, Alex Sanchez, Lee Townsend, Jonathan Stanton, Chris Wheeler, Gina Welsh, Sandra Zeringue and Tom Linklater.

III. BUDGET WORKSHOP

A. Mr. Tom Linklater reviewed District property and auto insurance options for 2021-2022 with the Board to be considered for approval.

B. Mrs. Heather Brown reviewed options for laptop insurance for 2021-2022.

IV. EXECUTIVE SESSION, CHAPTER 551

The Board went into executive session at 6:20 pm. Personnel and safety were the topics of discussion. The Board adjourned closed session and reconvened in open session at 7:21 pm.

V. RECONVENE: INVOCATION AND PLEDGES

Mr. Davenport gave the invocation and all recited pledges.

VI. ACTION FROM CLOSED SESSION, CHAPTER 551

There was no action from closed session.

VII. RECOGNITIONS

A. Santa Fe HS recognized Freshman Nathan Williams and Junior Seth Jacobs for their success at the SFHS Quad Track Meet. Nathan tied the District record in pole vaulting with a vault of 13'6". The record was held by Class of 2019 graduate, Jack Mann and current Board member, James Grassmuck. Seth set a new record of 14'. Both young men will compete at the State meet in May. Their coach is Philip Miller.

B. The District recognized their student and staff spotlights for the month of February. They are students Elizabeth Tovar, RJW 3rd grade, Jai Gillard, 12th grade. Trinity Danielson, Science teacher at SFHS.

C. Employees of the month for February are Brandy Evans, Barnett; Lena Castro, Kubacak; Kelly Temple, RJW; Elizabeth Davis, SFJH; Monica May, SFHS; Shell Foster, Transportation; Julius Medina, Maintenance; Mayra Tovar, Custodial; Robin Lackey, Nutrition Services; Brandy Meade, Admin.

D. The District also recognized principal's Destini Martin and Rachel Harris for being featured as contributing authors in the release of Learning Forward's new book *The Learning Principal: Becoming a Leader*.

VIII. PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS

No one signed up to speak at the meeting.

IX. INFORMATION ITEMS

A. Mr. Atkins gave a project update on the H.S. renovations and addition as well as an update

on the impacts from the winter storm.

- B. Mr. Sanchez introduced Sarah Pfluger as the Accountant for the District. Mrs. Pfluger provided the Board with a depository contract bid update.

X. CONSENT AGENDA

Mr. Grassmuck made a motion to approve the following consent agenda items as presented.

Mr. Kelly seconded and all voted in favor.

- A. Minutes of January 20, 2021 and January 25, 2021
- B. Accounts Payable -\$1,652,464.53
- C. Budget Amendment #7
- D. JJAEP MOU for 2021-2022
- E. Student Transfers
- F. General Merchandising Fast Food Awards

XI. REGULAR AGENDA

- A. Mr. Kelly made a motion to approve Update 116 as presented. Mr. Grassmuck seconded and all voted in favor.
- B. Mr. Kelly made a motion to proclaim March as Music in Our Schools month in Santa Fe ISD. Mr. Hertenberger seconded and all voted in favor.
- C. Mr. Grassmuck made a motion to proclaim March as National Social Workers Month in Santa Fe ISD. Mr. Hertenberger seconded and all voted in favor.
- D. Mr. Grassmuck made a motion to proclaim March 1-5, 2021 as Educational Diagnosticians Week in Santa Fe ISD. Mr. Davenport seconded and all voted in favor.
- E. Mr. Kelly made a motion to proclaim March 8-12, 2021 as National School Breakfast Week in Santa Fe ISD. Mr. Hertenberger seconded and all voted in favor.
- F. Mr. Davenport made a motion to approve the purchase of K-5 classroom below level library at a cost not to exceed, \$30,045.00. Mr. Grassmuck seconded and all voted in favor.
- G. Mr. Hertenberger made a motion to approve the implementation of the innovative course titled "General Employability Skills" at Santa Fe Junior High School for 2021-2022 school year. Mr. Davenport seconded and all voted in favor.
- H. Mr. Kelly made a motion to approve the waiver for hybrid instruction for students in grades 9-12 on state testing days. Mr. Crable seconded and all voted in favor.
- I. Mr. Kelly made a motion to approve the Property Casualty Insurance for 2021-2022 at an amount not to exceed \$1,940,685.00 (Option 4). Ms. Lambert seconded and the motion passed with a vote of 6-1.
- J. Mr. Hertenberger made a motion to approve the renewal of General Liability Auto Insurance for the policy term of March 1, 2021 to February 28, 2022 with a cost not to exceed \$261,901.00. Mr. Davenport seconded and all voted in favor.
- K. Mr. Davenport made a motion to approve investment policy resolution including names of brokers and investment options. Mr. Kelly seconded and all voted in favor.
- L. Mr. Kelly made a motion to approve the acceptance of the donation that is greater than \$5,000.00 received with a total donation of \$62,196.31. Mr. Davenport seconded and all voted in favor.
- M. Mr. Grassmuck made a motion to approve Zonar annual service fee not to exceed \$23,994.00 from Zonar Systems. Mr. Hertenberger seconded and all voted in favor.
- N. Mr. Davenport made a motion to approve the proposal to perform storm water inlet repairs with NBM Development, Inc., for a cost not to exceed \$111,830.00. Mr. Hertenberger seconded and all voted in favor.
- O. Mr. Davenport made a motion to approve the purchase of 105 Mortise lock sets for RJW and Kubacak Elementary at a price of \$28,440.30. Mr. Hertenberger seconded and all voted in favor.
- P. Mr. Grassmuck made a motion to postpone the purchase of student laptop device coverage until June for the 2021-2022 school year. Mr. Davenport seconded and all voted in favor.

- Q. Mr. Grassmuck made a motion to approve the purchase of E-rate eligible Uninterrupted Power Supply (UPS) upgrade for a cost not to exceed \$17,094.00, with 60% or \$10,256.40 being paid through the E-rate and the remaining 40% or \$6,837.60 will be covered by anticipated reimbursement from Operation Connectivity –Prior Purchase Reimbursement Program (PPRP). Mr. Kelly seconded and all voted in favor.
- R. Mr. Grassmuck made a motion to approve the purchase of the E-rate eligible Managed Internal Broadband Services (MIBS) for a cost not to exceed \$62,772.00, with 60% or \$37,663.20 being paid through the E-rate and the remaining 40% or \$25,108.80 will occur when funds are available in future fiscal years. Mr. Kelly seconded and all voted in favor.
- S. Mr. Davenport made a motion to approve the purchase of the E-rate eligible wireless access point upgrade to the SFHS and SFJH for a cost not to exceed \$185,846.00 with 60% or \$111,507.60 being paid through E-rate and the remaining 40% or \$74,338.40 will be covered out of a combination of general fund budget manager 14 Technology and general fund fund balance. Mr. Kelly seconded and all voted in favor.

XII. BOARD COMMUNICATIONS

Mr. Norman called on Mrs. Welsh to report on the Education Foundation. She stated that due to the artic storm that was experienced the prior week and staff and community with damages to their homes and property, the foundation board decided to postpone the SFTXEF annual gala until April 6th.

Mrs. Townsend

- Commented on how nice it was to have Kubacak students parade through Cowan on the 100th day of school. Thanked the staff that took care of the buildings and facilities during the artic storm.

Mr. Atkins

- Thanked his staff and the custodial staff that helped get the schools ready for class today after the freeze last week. Wished everyone the best on any damages to their homes due to the freeze.

Ms. Hanssard

- Provided the Board with a list of events for March. During the closure we received a proclamation for Texas Public Schools Week that will be celebrated March 1-5. Congratulated Mrs. Harris and the H.S. staff for the highest staff attendance for the 2nd Nine weeks. H.S. had 98% staff attendance and district wide was 96%. Thanked the staff and SFISD community for their leadership and compassion last week as well all worked through a challenging event.

Mrs. Ross

- Amazed once again at the resiliency of our staff and students. Commented that teachers were on point and students had smiles on their faces and were ready to get back to school.

Ms. Lambert

- Thanked the maintenance department for their hard work in getting the schools ready to open today. Thanked WC&ID #8 for working hard to help Santa Fe avoid the boil water notice. Gave a shout out to our Ag teachers in recognizing FFA Week. These teachers are always available all throughout the year to help our students and animals. During the freeze, they offered to feed animals and checked on families.

Mr. Grassmuck

- Thanked Mrs. Townsend for the budget workshop prior to the Board meeting. Thanked the maintenance staff. Happy National FFA Week everyone. Congratulations to Nathan and Seth on your pole vaulting records. Wished the best to the community after the freeze.

Mr. Hertenberger

- Thanked Bob and his staff. Congratulated everyone who received an award tonight. Wished everyone the best on repairs after the freeze. Have a safe trip home.

Mr. Davenport

- Congratulated Destini and Rachel. Thanked all those who have a part in running the District. Feels like the District is ready to face any challenges especially since there is such resiliency shown by everyone.

Mr. Crable

- Gave a shout out to the staff and students who put on the production of the Wizard of Oz. Challenged everyone to be more supportive in student events. The students appreciate it. Just a reminder that the SFTXEF gala will be on April 6th. Please plan on participating as this is their biggest fundraiser and it helps students and teachers.

Mr. Kelly

- Thanked Bob and his staff for their work. Thanked Patti and Kim for reaching out to the staff and letting them know the Board is thinking of them. Thanked everyone for all they do.

Dr. Wall

- We have a very special District, we all come together and get things done for our students. Welcomed Julie back and thanked Sarah for filling in for her. Spring break is coming up.

Mr. Norman

- The Board will be very active during the next few months with various Board Workshops.

XIII. Mr. Norman made a motion at 8:53 to go into executive session to discuss the parent that had interrupted the meeting with concerns. The Board reconvened in open session at 9:22 pm.

XIV. ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Davenport made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:22 pm. Mr. Kelly seconded and all voted in favor.

We affirm that these minutes are official, complete and correct.

J. R. Norman
President

James Grassmuck
Secretary

Date Minutes Approved: March 29, 2021