

Thursday, February 25, 2021

The Hemphill Independent School District Board of Education met in regular session on Thursday, February 25, 2021 at 6:00 p.m. for a regular Board Meeting in the HISD Administration Office with the following members present: Kim Scales, Marty Griffin, Carl Beall Jr, Andrea Jordan, Gary Parks, and Tommy Whittington. Note: Andrea Procella-Heslip arrived at 6:09 p.m.

Members absent: Andrea Procella-Heslip, entered the meeting at 6:09 p.m.

Also present were Reese Briggs, Sally Butler, Kelli Barnett, Marc Griffin, Monica Butler, Chief Mike Hanks, Stephanie Corley.

Kim Scales, Board President, called the meeting to order and established a quorum at 6:04 p.m. Carl Beall Jr gave the invocation.

Kim Scales led the Pledge To The Flag.

Tommy Whittington recited the Hemphill ISD Mission Statement.

Visitors and Comments

There were no visitors and no comments.

Consent Agenda

Motion by Carl Beall Jr, seconded by Tommy Whittington, passed unanimously.

Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting January 21, 2021

Bills, Financial Reports, and Investment Reports for the month of January 2021

Reese Briggs, Superintendent, gave the Superintendent's Report

Enrollment

School	2018 - 2019	2019 - 2020	2020 - 2021
High School	246	266	252
Middle School	283	287	296
Elementary School	356	352	337
Total	885	905	885

Class Counts

PK - 38, K - 62, 1 - 59, 2 - 61, 3 - 52, 4 - 65, 5 - 67, 6 - 72, 7 - 76, 8 - 81, 9 - 65, 10 - 72, 11 - 58, 12 - 57, Total - 885

Student Overnight Trip Requests, if necessary

FFA to Houston Heifer Show March 8 - 10, 2021

Personnel Update, if necessary

There were no Personnel to Update

Facilities and Construction Update

Having issues with Ionizing Machines that are affecting the alarms and copy machines, had some damage from the winter storm last week that damaged our bus barn canopy, different roofs, canopy on side of Old Gym, and Hornet Gym roof and restrooms- adjuster is coming out to access and Cavalry Roofing Company is coming to start repairs to our roof damage, Old Gym/Demo - Malcolm suggests doing demo first and then moving forward with a construction project, the Board would like to keep some bricks, some flooring, some bleachers, and some trusses to incorporate into the building of the next construction project, the Online Auction begins tomorrow and runs through March 12.

Campus Academic Reports / Principal Reports

Monica Butler and Marc Griffin each gave a report and handout about their campus

Midwinter Conference Report

This was a virtual conference and Mr. Briggs attended the following sessions:

Local Leadership During a Global Pandemic, 2 General Sessions - by Simon Sinek and Dr.

Chris Howard, School Buildings Play Important Role in Student Well Being, Focus on

Opportunity Over Adversity, Compression During Recession? School Funding in a Pandemic

2021 - 2022 School Calendar

A draft calendar has been created that was driven by campus committees. Campus

Committees will review the draft and then create a second draft that will be voted on by HISD staff and then presented at the March 18th board meeting.

Update on Vehicles

The school has purchased a 2021 Ram 3500 Crew Cab 4 x 4 from Pearman Motor Company for \$ 40,350.00

Reese Briggs, Superintendent, presented the Superintendent's Recommendations

Discussion/Action to approve Tax Refund Requests.

The Board approved a Tax Refund Request, for James Alton Wright Sr for \$ 957.84 for

Homestead, Over 65, on a motion by Andrea Procella-Heslip, seconded by Gary Parks, passed unanimously.

Recommend/Action to approve a joint elections contract, if necessary.

A joint elections contract is not necessary so no action was taken.

Recommend # 7 was moved to this time:

Recommend/Action to cancel the HISD School Board election for May 1, 2021.

The Board approved to cancel the HISD School Board election for May 1, 2021, due to no opposition, on a motion by Gary Parks, seconded by Tommy Whittington, passed unanimously.

Recommend/Action to approve a renewal for Storage Tank Pollution Policy.

The Board approved a renewal for Storage Tank Pollution Policy with Alliant through TASB Risk Management Services for \$ 2,420.00 on a motion by Carl Beall Jr, seconded by Tommy Whittington, passed unanimously.

Kim Scales expressed concern on the age of the tanks and what the average life on a tank is. Discussion/Action to approve the extension of the Depository Contract with changes.

The Board approved the extension of the Depository Contract with changes, Both parties agree with a change to the interest rate to a fixed .65%, on a motion by Andrea Jordan, seconded by Tommy Whittington, passed unanimously.

Adjourn for Executive Session allowed by Gov. Code 551.074 (Board deliberation concerning appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline, or dismissal of public officers or employees).

The Board convened into Closed Session at 7:16 p.m.

The Board returned to Open Session at 9:52 p.m.

Discussion/Action on accepting resignations, employing personnel, or reassignment of personnel, if necessary.

The Board denied a request for Kristine LeBlanc's resignation until a suitable replacement is found on a motion by Tommy Whittington, seconded by Carl Beall Jr, passed unanimously.

The Board approved a District Teaching Permit for the remainder of the year for Recardo Padron, and Alberto Williams, which will both be Probationary, as discussed in Executive Session, on a motion by Gary Parks, seconded by Tommy Whittington, passed unanimously.

Discussion/Action for approval of contract extensions of administrative personnel.

Contract extensions through 2022 - 2023.

Sally Butler, Marc Griffin, Jeremy McDaniel, Monica Butler, Belinda Ancelot, Mary Ann Briggs, Christian Jesmore, Cassy Whitsitt, Gary Vanya

The Board approved contract extensions of administrative personnel as discussed in Executive Session on a motion by Tommy Whittington, seconded by Andrea Jordan, passed unanimously.

Discussion/Action on Items Discussed in Closed Session, if any.

There were no other items to be discussed.

Sally Butler, Business Manager, presented Budget Amendment # 6 for the 2020 - 2021 School Year

Approval of Budget Amendment # 6 for the 2020 - 2021 School Year

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To amend budget for Architect Fees and ADA Fees

The Board approved Budget Amendment # 6 for the 2020 - 2021 School Year on a motion by Andrea Procella-Heslip, seconded by Carl Beall Jr, passed unanimously.

There being no further business to discuss the meeting adjourned at 10:01 p.m. on a motion by Gary Parks, seconded by Andrea Procella-Heslip, passed unanimously.

Kim Scales, President
Hemphill Board of Education

Marty Griffin, Secretary
Hemphill Board of Education