

## Minutes of Regular Board Meeting –Wednesday, August 12, 2020

### BANQUETE INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF TRUSTEES

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1. Invocation – Omar Ramirez  
Pledge of Allegiance – Tracy Wright
2. Call to Order at 7:30 pm

#### **BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT**

Mr. Tracy Wright – President  
Mr. Omar Ramirez – Vice President  
Mrs. Ofelia Pena – Secretary  
Ms. Abbi Lynn Pena – Trustee (Absent)  
Mr. Jose “Angel” Arce – Trustee  
Mr. Mike Wessels – Trustee (Absent)  
Mrs. Lilly Nash – Trustee (Absent)

#### **STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT**

Dr. Max Thompson – Superintendent  
Adrian Pena- Superintendent of Business  
Kerry Thompson – Curriculum Director  
Ms. Denise Blanchard-HS Principal  
Mr. Ramiro Pena- JH Principal  
Adriana Tagle – BES Principal  
Kevin Hermes-BISD Athletic Director

#### **VISITORS PRESENT**

3. **Open Forum:**  
Audience participation at a Board meeting is limited to the public comment portion of the meeting designated for that purpose. No presentation shall be longer than 3 minutes. The board will not be able to respond to any topic discussed during the open forum if it is not listed on the agenda. At all other times during a Board meeting, the audience shall not enter into discussion or debate on the matter being considered by the board, unless requested by the presiding officer. Persons wishing to participate must sign up before the meeting and indicate the topic about which they wish to speak. Please see Board Operating Procedures for more details.

Sign In: None

4. **Public Notice:**  
Public Notice is given that the District may go into a closed meeting (executive session) at any time during the meeting in order to discuss matters listed on the agenda, when authorized by the provisions of the Texas Government Code. In the event the District elects to go into a closed meeting regarding any agenda item, the section or sections of the Open Meetings Act authorizing the closed meeting will be publicly announced by the presiding officer. The subjects listed below will be the items upon which formal action may be taken. The subjects do not have to be taken in the order listed here but may be brought up in any order at the discretion of the board.

The board will go into closed meeting according to Texas Code Section §551.74 during the discussions on personnel matters. Decisions and actions on all matters will be made in open session as required by Texas Government Code Section §551.102

- A. Consideration of Employment
- B. Resignations
- C. Personnel
- D. Long Range Plans and Purchases

5. **Report of Superintendent and Administrators:**

**Ms. Denise Blanchard:** BHS will be running asynchronous and synchronous plan for their campus. Students will have opportunity to view lesson as presented or log on to watch a video in the evening. All students will be responsible for submitting a completed assignment by 11:59 pm in order to receive credit and be credited for attendance. Thursday 08/13/2020 is pick up day for schedules, technology, and school supplies.

**Mr. Ramiro Pena:** BJH planning for asynchronous and synchronous starting point. Letters have been sent out to student from office principal and counselor along with student schedules. Thank you to Mrs. Tagle for assisting with TECH day it went smooth. Pick up supplies and technology will be on Thursday, 08/13/2020. Teachers will be dressing up on Friday and have a virtual meet the teacher with students.

**Mrs. Adriana Tagle:** First thank you to high school teacher for grateful email on the zoom meeting presentation. He was very appreciative. Instructional plan presented for elementary. Made sure definition for asynchronous and synchronous was in plan so that parents understand the difference. Remind account has been set up with principal so that parents can contact her at any time. Google site has been set up so that it can be a one stop site for parents looking for information.

**Mr. Kevin Hermes:** Programs active and going well. Have about 40 HS boys and 28 HS girls participating in Strength and Condition and have begun actual plays. Its been fun seeing kids again and kids are excited to be back. HS has 6 games scheduled into zones JH looking at 4 games. HS cross country working. UIL has moved district certification for cross country.

**Mr. Adrian Pena:** Presented wording for ESSER grant. Banquete ISD will be applying for the 2020-2021 Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief (ESSER) Grant with an appropriated amount of \$172,681.00. In fiscal year 2020-202, state funding will reduce in a amount equal to 95% of the \$172,681.00 appropriation which amounts to \$164, 047.00; therefore, this application must be completed and submitted no later than August 24<sup>th</sup>. Although this grant is not required to meet the supplement, not supplant federal requirements, all other federal requirements, such as reporting and procurement, etc. must be met. Banquete ISD will use these funds to cover teacher's salaries currently paid with local funds.

**Mrs. Kerry Thompson:** Presented district's asynchronous plan. Plans will be submitted to TEA by August. If guidelines are not approved by TEA district could lose funding. Teachers have been provided with technology equipment and supplies to make classroom plans available and useful. Four areas being prepared are instruction schedule, material design, student progress, and implementation.

**Dr. Max Thompson:** Presented Calendar and COVID-19 communications. Vistors are being screen temperatures taken and questionnaire filled out. Cudos to Mrs. Tagle for her technology savvy. Google forms created and ready to roll. Protocol for employees has been created, notification of employee quarantine or positive testing shall be reported to Admin(HR). BISD committed forms has reported 87% completed google form. County will be paying \$44,000. for technology supplies being ordered.

6. **CONSENT OF AGENDA**-All item(s) on the Consent Agenda are considered to be routine and will be enacted with one motion and a majority vote of the governing body. There will not be a separate discussion of these item(s) unless a member of the governing body or a citizen requests, in which event these item(s) will be removed from the order of business and considered in normal sequence on the regular agenda.
- a. Payment of itemized bills
  - b. Financial Statements and Balances
  - c. Investments
  - d. Tax Office Reports
  - e. Cafeteria Report
  - f. Cash Flow Report
  - g. Approval of all standard reports, minutes, bills and informational item(s)

Motion made by Jose “Angel” Arce and seconded by Ofelia Pena to approve all other Consent of Agenda items as presented.

Motion Carried 4-0

**REGULAR AGENDA:**

The Board will consider, discuss and take appropriate action regarding the following items:

7. **STAFF AND STUDENT RECOGNITION**

Emma Buitron recognized as TREA Teacher of the Year.

8. **ELEMENTARY DRAINAGE IMPROVEMENTS-GIGNAC PRESENTATION**

Richard Tagle presented power point with updates. Construction going well and will schedule a date for a walk through.

BISD received invoice for 1<sup>st</sup> payment of \$147,069.00. BISD needs board approval for payment.

Motion made by Ofelia Pena and seconded by Jose “Angel” Arce to approve 1<sup>st</sup> invoice payment of \$147,069.00 to Gignac Architecture

Motion carried 4-0

9. **BOND PROPOSAL UPDATE**

Juan Aguilera working on bond documents. Looking to hold bond election in November 2020. BISD needs to take action by August 20<sup>th</sup>. Dr. Thompson will contact Kara Sands to see if Bond Election can be held with General Election. Option to have election in November or wait until May with the defeasance that was approved.

No Motion Needed

10. **ORDER AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE, SALE, AND DELIVERY OF BANQUETE ISD TIME WARRANTS, SERIES2020; AND CONTAINING OTHER MATTERS RELATED THERE TO**

Dr. Max Thompson requesting an Order Authorizing The Issuance, Sale, and Delivery of Banquete ISD Time Warrants, Series2020; and Containing Other Matters Related There To.

Motion made by Omar Ramirez and seconded by Ofelia Pena to approve Order Authorizing The Issuance, Sale, and Delivery of Banquete ISD Time Warrants, Series2020; and Containing Other Matters Related There To

Motion carried 4-0

11. **AUTO, CYBER, AND LIABILITY INSURANCE**

Project comparison provided. Increase in total from 2020. Total cost for 2020-2021 is \$36,259.00

Motion made by Omar Ramirez and seconded by Ofelia Pena to approve Auto, Cyber, and Liability Insurance as presented.

Motion carried 4-0

12. **PROPERTY AND CASUALTY INSURANCE**

Coverage Summary presented.

Motion made by Ofelia Pena and seconded by Omar Ramirez to approve Property and Casualty Insurance as presented.

Motion carried 4-0

13. **PROFESSIONAL STAFF PAY DATES**

Professional Staff Pay Dates for 2020-2021 presented.

Motion made by Jose “Angel” Arce and seconded by Omar Ramirez to approve Professional Staff Pay Dates as presented

Motion carried 4-0

14. **CAFETERIA, MAINTENANCE, AND CUSTODIAN PAYDATES**

Cafeteria, Maintenance, and Custodian Paydates presented.

Motion made by Jose “Angel” Arce and seconded by Ofelia Pena to approve Cafeteria, Maintenance, and Custodian Pay Dates as presented

Motion carried 4-0

15. **CAFETERIA MEAL PRICES FOR 2020-2021**

To be presented at next meeting.

16. **ADOPTION OF NUECES CO 4H ORGANIZATIONAL RESOLUTION**

To be presented at next meeting.

17. **APPROVAL OF NUECES CO AGRILIFE EXTENSION PERSONNEL AS ADJUNCT FACULTY AGREEMENT**

To be presented at next meeting

18. **CAMPUS PARENT/STUDENT HANDBOOK CHANGES**

Information Only

19. **ATTENDANCE ADDENDUM TO PARENT/STUDENT HANDBOOK**

Addendum with the Asynchronous and Synchronous attendance procedures presented.

Motion made by Jose “Angel” Arce and seconded by Omar Ramirez to approve Attendance Addendum to Parent/Student Handbook as presented.

Motion carried 4-0

20. **TASB POLICY UPDATE 115**

Will review at next board meeting.

No Motion Needed.

21. **PERSONNEL**  
**a. CONTRACTS**

Elementary will be replacing last minute teacher resignation with 2 para-professionals

No Motion Needed

22. **DATE AND TIME FOR SEPTEMBER REGULAR MEETING**

Meeting set for September 9, 2020 @ 7:30 pm

General consent

23. **DATE AND TIME FOR AUGUST SPECIAL CALLED MEETING**

August 24, 2020@ 7:30 pm

General Consent

20. **ADJOURN**

Meeting adjourned at 8:44 pm

General Consent

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Tracy Wright, President

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_  
Secretary