

# **Board Brief - Regular Meeting 12/10/2025**

### **CELEBRATIONS**

The Banquete ISD Board of Trustees were proud to recognize Ms. Aguilar, Ms. Moreno, Ms. Rios, and Ms. Elizondo, who were selected by ESC Region 2 to present their innovative Bluebonnet curriculum practices at an upcoming workshop. They will share best practices, lessons learned, and the instructional strategies that have brought the curriculum to life in their classrooms. Their leadership reflects the strong teaching happening across Banquete ISD.

After a five-year absence from UIL Academics, Banquete Elementary made a powerful return, demonstrating the #RiseOfTheDog at the Elementary UIL Academic Competition in Orange Grove. The Banquete ISD Board of Trustees recognized all student participants and celebrated those who earned medals at the event. We are grateful to our dedicated coaches, supportive parents, and most importantly our students, who committed their time to a brand-new experience. Their preparation, perseverance, and pride in representing Banquete ISD were evident and deeply appreciated.

#### **REPORTS**

**Board President Updates** - Mr. Omar Ramirez shared that we are working on a Team of 8 Board Workshop for January to meet statutory requirements for board training.

**Superintendent Updates** - Mrs. Tagle shared that the district's enrollment is currently at 734. The enrollment and attendance can be tracked daily on the <u>BISD Enrollment & Attendance Dashboard</u>. Attendance for the year is currently 94.47% with a goal of 96% or higher. Mrs. Tagle also shared that she is working closely with community members to start an Education Foundation. The committee will be pursuing a partnership with the district and will present preliminary framework and a timeline in early Spring. Mrs. Tagle also asked everyone to Save the Date! February 9<sup>th</sup> will be BISD's 1<sup>st</sup> ever "State of the District" event. We will recognize staff, showcase students, and engage with vendors and partners to fund teacher innovation grants.

**Administrator Updates** - Dr. Hofstetter, Mr. Pena, and Ms. Escobar all shared highlights from their respective campuses. Each principal shared their appreciation for the staff and the students for their commitment to teaching and learning, all while adding a little fun with holiday treats and festivities.



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### **BOND UPDATES**

Javier Huerta from CLK provided a project update outlining progress on the new Junior High construction, including the process of the demolition project.

Mrs. Tagle and Mr. Huerta shared that in addition to the JH project, they have been working on other developments such as bleacher systems for the Baseball/Softball complex with a plan for concrete after the season. Mrs. Tagle and Mr. Huerta are going to re-engage with stakeholders to review needs and establish priorities with the Elementary and map out a plan for playground improvements and shade structures as allocated in the Bond.

## **ACTION TAKEN**

- The Board of Trustees acknowledged the district's intent to apply for the 2026-2027 Nita M. Lowey 21st Century Community Learning Centers Grant.
- The Board of Trustees approved the Consent Agenda as recommended by administration.
- The Board of Trustees approved Policy Update 126 (LEGAL) and (LOCAL) with changes to CV(LOCAL).
- The Board of Trustees approved the GT Program and revisions to the assessment criteria for the 2025-2026 school year.
- The Board of Trustees approved an expenditure exceeding \$50,000 for the purchase of bleachers for the baseball/softball complex.
- The Board of Trustees approved budget amendment #2026-001 for the allocation of funds for district improvements and upgrades.
- The Board of Trustees approved the ranking of contractors for demolition services for the BJH project (Bond 2024) and gave the superintendent authority to finalize negotiations and execute a contract.
- The Board of Trustees did not go into closed session.

## **NEXT REGULAR BOARD MEETING**

January 21, 2026 6:00pm Banquete Elementary Library