

**SCHOOL DISTRICT REGULAR BOARD MEETING
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
HUGHES SPRINGS INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT
March 07, 2022
6:00 P.M.**

Van Hall, Presiding

Members Present

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| Van Hall | Billy Willis |
| Robyn Shelton | Scott Nelson |
| DeAnna Putman | Robert Johnson |
| Phillip Chapman | |

Members Absent

School Personnel Present

Sarah Dildine, Superintendent

Guests

(See attached list)

1. OPENING ACTIVITIES:

1.1 CALL to Order/Declaration of Quorum by President Van Hall *{Gov't Code 551.001 (6), 311.013 (b)}*

1.2 INVOCATION given by DeAnna Putman; Pledge of Allegiance lead by Robert Johnson

1.3 PUBLIC COMMENT *{HSISD Policy BED}*
There was no public comment.

2. PRESENTATIONS:

2.1 Annual TAPR Report

Curriculum Director Kristina Gardner reviewed the annual Texas Academic Performance Report. The intent of the TAPR is to inform the public about the educational performance of the district and of each campus in the district in relation to the district, the state, and a comparable group of schools. The TAPR will present the campus performance information as well as the student, staff, and financial information required by statute. It will also include any explanations and additional information deemed appropriate to the intent of the report. Ms Gardner had highlighted the information most relevant and important to the District and discussed any issues or questions from the board members. The report is available on the Texas Education Agency's (TEA) webpage and there is also a link to the report on the District's webpage.

2.2 Informational: Special Education and Dyslexia Cyclical Monitoring Report

Hughes Springs ISD experienced a special education cyclical monitoring review regarding dyslexia students earlier during the school year. The review provides the district with findings regarding compliance or noncompliance on seven state-identified priority areas. These reviews conducted by TEA are done to each local school district every six years. Hughes Springs ISD's dyslexia procedures, communication, screening, reading instruments, evaluation and identification, instruction and progress monitoring all meet the state requirements.

- 3. **CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS:** *{HSISD Policy BE}*
 - 3.1 **CONSIDERATION to Approve Minutes of Meeting on February 14, 2022** *{HSISD Policy BE}*
 - 3.2 **CONSIDERATION to Approve Budget Amendments** *{HSISD Policy BE}*

There were no budget amendments.

On motion by Robyn Shelton, seconded by Scott Nelson, it was moved to approve the consent agenda as presented. Motion carried on a 7 to 0 vote.

- 4. **AGENDA ITEMS:** *{HSISD Policy BE; BEC; BED}*

- 4.1 **CONSIDERATION to Approve Certification of Unopposed Candidates for May 7, 2022 School Board Election** *{HSISD Policy BBBA,BBBB, Election Code 2.053(a) (e)}*

Terms for trustees Van Hall and Robyn Shelton, Places 6 and 7 respectively, are ending in May, 2022. Mr. Hall has declared candidacy for his term to renew, while Mrs. Shelton has opted to not run for the school board again this year. Matthew Golden did file for Mrs. Shelton's place on the board and both he and Mr. Hall are unopposed. Billy Willis made the motion to accept the Certification of Unopposed Candidates as presented and Robert Johnson seconded. The motion carried on a 7 to 0 vote. The Certification is a part of these minutes.

- 4.2 **CONSIDERATION to Approve Cancellation of School Board Election on May 7, 2022** *{HSISD Policy BBBA,BBBB, Election Code 2.053(a) (e)}*

On motion by Billy Willis, seconded by Scott Nelson, it was moved to approve the Cancellation of the Election Order for the election scheduled for May 7, 2022, and Van Hall and Matthew Golden are declared elected. Mrs. Shelton will continue her duties through the May board meeting. Mr. Hall and Mr. Golden will be sworn into office at the June 2022 regular board meeting. Motion carried on a 7 to 0 vote. The Cancellation Order is a part of these minutes.

- 4.3 **CONSIDERATION to Approve an Out-of-State Trip for Lifeskills and ECSE Classes** *{HSISD Policy FMG}*

On motion by Robert Johnson, seconded by Phillip Chapman, it was moved to approve a trip to the aquarium in Shreveport, Louisiana, on April 14, 2022, for the elementary life-skills and ECSE classes. Motion carried on a 7 to 0 vote.

- 5. **CLOSED SESSION, as authorized by Texas Government Code Chapter 551.001 through 551.146, shall be declared by the Board of Trustees when necessary, during the course of the meeting at the time, date and place of this notice. The Board may close this meeting to consult with its attorney on any item posted on this agenda in order to receive legal advice or to maintain the attorney-client privilege. The Board may also close the meeting to consult with its attorney on any other matter when the attorney's professional and ethical duty to the Board requires a confidential communication. The Board entered closed session at 6:15 p.m. and reconvened at 7:15 p.m.**

5.1 PERSONNEL:*{HSISD Policy DC}*

Consider Employment, Resignations, Reassignments, Transfers, Substitute Teacher List, Extended Leaves, Additional Positions, and Other Personnel Matters.

1. CONSIDERATION to Approve Contracts for Campus Principals, Assistant Principals, Director of Curriculum/Instruction and Athletic Director
2. CONSIDERATION to Approve Employment of Fourth Grade Math Teacher for 2022-23
3. CONSIDERATION to Approve Employment of High School US History Teacher for Remainder of the 2021-2022 School Year
4. CONSIDERATION to Approve Aaron Michael Marshall's Employment Status
5. CONSIDERATION to Approve Employment of High School Science-Chemistry, Physics, IPC Teacher for 2022-2023

5.2 CONSULTATION with Attorney {when necessary}*Gov't Code §551.071*

Confidential telephone consultation was conducted with attorney from Eichelbaum Wardell Hansen Powell & Munoz, PC during the closed session.

6. RECONVENE

Open meeting to vote on matters considered in executive/closed session in accordance with the Texas Open Meetings Act, Texas Government Code, Chapter 551, to take action necessary regarding any items listed above.

6.1 PERSONNEL (Action taken in Open Meeting)

1. CONSIDERATION to Approve Contracts for Campus Principals, Assistant Principals, Director of Curriculum/Instruction and Athletic Director

On motion by Robyn Shelton, seconded by Robert Johnson, it was moved to approve contracts for principals, assistant principals, director of curriculum and athletic director as presented. Motion carried on a 7 to 0 vote.

2. CONSIDERATION to Approve Employment of Fourth Grade Math Teacher for 2022-23

On motion by Robyn Shelton, seconded by Robert Johnson, it was moved to approve a contract for Cassidy Newsom as a fourth grade teacher for 2022-2023. Motion carried on a 7 to 0 vote.

3. CONSIDERATION to Approve Employment of High School US History Teacher for Remainder of the 2021-2022 School Year

On motion by Robyn Shelton, seconded by Billy Willis, it was moved to approve a

contract for Bobby Fowler as a high school US History teacher for the remainder of the 2021-2022 school year. Motion carried on a 7 to 0 vote.

4. CONSIDERATION to Approve Aaron Michael Marshall's Employment Status

On motion by Van Hall, seconded by Phillip Chapman, it was moved to propose termination of Aaron Michael Marshall’s probationary contract. The motion as stated is a part of these minutes. Motion carried on a 7 to 0 vote.

On motion by Van Hall, seconded by Scott Nelson, it was moved to suspend Aaron Michael Marshall without pay. The motion as stated is a part of these minutes. Motion carried on a 7 to 0 vote.

5. CONSIDERATION to Approve Employment of High School Science-Chemistry, Physics, IPC Teacher for 2022-2023

On motion by Robyn Shelton, seconded by Billy Willis, it was moved to approve a contract for Lindsie Boles as a high school science-chemistry, physics, IPC teacher for 2022-2023.

7. **INFORMATION ITEMS**

{HSISD Policy BE and BJA}

7.1-7.7 Superintendent’s Report

Enrollment last week was 1117, Cole Edwards qualified for state powerlifting competition; pending any TEA testing date changes, the board should be able to consider the 2022-2023 school calendar next month, and there are many sporting events going on – track, softball, baseball, tennis.

7.8-7.18 Business Manager’s Report

Business Manager Jalyn Setser was not present so, the superintendent briefed the Board on the following information as of February 28, 2022:

1. Financial Summary

- a. General Funds
 - i. Revenue - \$7,293,848 (Estimated Revenue - \$13,680,000)
 - ii. Expenditures - \$6,300,959 (Budget - \$13,610,000)
- b. Food Service
 - i. Revenue - \$337,271 (Estimated Revenue - \$582,000)
 - ii. Expenditures - \$231,640 (Budget - \$580,000)

2. Monthly TEA Foundation Payments

- a. Feb 2022 payment - \$483,789
- b. Mar 2022 payment - \$924,355

3. Tax Collections

- a. Cass County - \$1,682,565 (Levy – \$2,190,000)
- b. Morris County - \$187,289 (Levy – \$425,000)

4. Investment Accounts

- a. Certificates of Deposit (FNB) - \$1,571,000
- b. Certificates of Deposit (THNB) – \$2,126,000
- c. Checking (THNB) - \$44,000
- b. Lone Star Investment Pool - \$65,000

5. Cash Position

- a. Bank Accounts - \$6,280,000
- b. Investments - \$3,761,000
- c. Total - \$10,042,000

6. AUDITED Fund Balance as of August 31, 2021

- a. Unassigned - \$4,113,150
- b. Non-spendable for Inventory - \$56,801
- c. Other Restricted - \$75,000
- d. Committed for Construction - \$2,500,000
- e. Committed for Capital Expenditures for Equipment - \$850,000
- f. Committed for Self Insurance - \$17,763
- g. Other Committed - \$1,167,000
- h. Total - \$8,779,714

Mrs. Dildine also told the trustees the paperwork is being done to try to continue free school meals next year. It seems that elementary will be eligible, but no certainty about junior and senior high schools. She will be taking a cashier's check to Texas Heritage Bank tomorrow to purchase another CD for \$311,000.

8. CLOSING ACTIVITIES**8.1 Questions asked of and by Board Members***{HSISD Policy BE}*

President Van Hall read a thank you note from the family of Patricia Wheat, mother of junior high school teacher, Michelle Nelson, for the donation to the Superintendent's Scholarship Fund in her memory. The board was advised that Debra Barthol, retired Hughes Springs elementary teacher and the mother of elementary teacher Brooke Dannelley, had passed away last weekend.

8.2 Adjournment

On motion by Robert Johnson, seconded by Scott Nelson, it was moved to adjourn the meeting. Motion passed 7 to 0. Meeting adjourned at 7:28 p.m.

Van Hall, President

Robyn Shelton, Secretary

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