SWEET HOME INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

A MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

October 14, 2024

A meeting was called to order by President Ray Peagler at 5:30pm. A quorum was present, the meeting was duly called, and notice of the meeting had been posted for the time and manner as required by law. All members were present.

The pledges of allegiance were recited, and a moment of silence was observed.

Mrs. Jordan Sluka spoke to the Board during public comment pertaining to concerns over the Amplify curriculum.

The minutes from the September 9th meeting and the September 23rd special meeting were read and reviewed. Johnny Turk made a motion to accept the minutes; Jessica Kusak seconded. All approved and the motion carried.

Nathan Wenske made a motion to accept the payment of bills and budget status; Jeff Points seconded. All approved and the motion carried.

There were no budget amendments at this time.

A resolution to participate in the Purchasing Cooperative of America (PCA) was presented to the Board. This agreement supports public entities by facilitating their purchasing operations through cooperative contracting and to promote real savings for PCA members with discounts from the competitive bid process. Jessica Kusak made a motion to approve the resolution to participate in the Purchasing Cooperative of America; Nathan Wenske seconded. All approved and the motion carried.

In Board business, President Ray Peagler announced requirements for continuing education and those board members who met, exceeded or are deficient in required training. All board members have met or exceeded the required amount of continuing education.

In the Superintendent's report, enrollment is 154, and the ADA was 97.2% for September. The Board was updated on dismissal operations through PickUp Patrol, PBIS Rewards, current grant balances with expenditures and potential funding for which SHISD will apply. Dr. Pohl also presented a legislative update regarding school vouchers, Special Education funding, and school safety. A health services update was also provided, which included information on the School Health Advisory Committee (SHAC), the installation of two additional Unlicensed Diabetes Care Assistants (UDCA) per House Bill 984, and vision and hearing screenings.

Gallagher Construction again fielded questions from the Board and the public regarding future construction projects, with proposed layout plans, an estimate on costs and a timeline for completion. The Board will meet again on October 21, 2024 at 5:30pm to further listen to a detailed construction proposal and total expenditures prior to approving the budget proposed by Gallagher Construction.

The next regular board meeting is scheduled for November 11, 2024 at 5:30pm.

Ray Peagler made a motion to enter closed session at 7:06pm, seconded by Jeff Points. As per the agenda, the Board discussed student matters and transfers. The Board reconvened at 7:26pm. Johnny Turk made a motion to approve the change in residency status as discussed in closed session; Jeff Points seconded. All agreed and the motion carried. Johnny Turk made a motion to adjourn the meeting; Jeff Points seconded. All approved; the meeting was adjourned at 7:27pm.

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Ray Peagler, Board President

Amy Picha, Board Secretary