

MINUTES OF REGULAR BOARD MEETING
WISD Board of Trustees
Monday, May 13, 2024

- I. **ESTABLISH A QUORUM & CALL MEETING TO ORDER** – President Steve Williams called the meeting to order at 6:00pm. All Board members were present.
- II. **PLEDGES** – The U. S. Pledge of Allegiance and the Texas Pledge, led by 4th Graders Paisley Pesak and Tucker Bouse, were recited.
- III. **INVOCATION** - Superintendent Chase Seelke led the invocation.
- IV. **RECOGNITIONS / CELEBRATIONS** – High School Principal Stacy Heger introduced the following students which were commended by the Board and visitors present:
 - 2 Golf State Qualifiers
 - 1 Track State Qualifier
 - 5 FFA State Qualifiers & Champion: Farm Business Management
 - 5 FFA State Qualifiers & 2nd Place Team: Food Science
 - 5 UIL Academic State Qualifiers
 - 23 UIL Academic Regional Qualifiers
- V. **PUBLIC COMMENTS** – Two members of the public offered comments regarding the potential shift in class times for band and athletics, as well as the football/athletic fundraiser.
- VI. **CANVASS THE MAY 4TH ELECTION RESULTS** – The election results were read, and the Board declared the canvassing of the May 4, 2024 board election concluded.
- VII. **OATH OF OFFICE AND STATEMENT OF OFFICER (BOARD MEMBERS)** – After executing the Statement of Officer, April Mikulenska (Place 4) and Tom Strickland (Place 5) took their Oath of Office, administered by Notary Angie Luksovsky.
- VIII. **PUBLIC HEARINGS** – Superintendent Seelke briefly reviewed each of the following:
 - A. **Discuss the Annual Report on the Texas Academic Performance Report (TAPR)**
 - B. **Discuss the Weimar ISD’s intention to apply for SAFE Grant Cycle 2 funding**
- IX. **INFORMATION / DISCUSSION ITEMS:**
 - A. **Campus Administrator Reports** – Each Campus Principal reported on enrollment/attendance, important facts/events, and upcoming events of their campus.
 - B. **Superintendent’s Report:**
 1. **District Enrollment** – Total enrollment of 718 as of April 30, 2024
 2. **Graduation Plans and Upcoming Events** – Graduation will be held at 7:30pm on May 17, 2024 in the High School Gym.
 3. **Title IX Update** – Information regarding the US Department of Education’s 2024 Title IX Final Rule Overview and letter from Governor Greg Abbott.
 4. **ESSER III Stakeholder Meeting** – Required overview of the use of ESSER III funds and guidelines.

5. **Property Value Study Update** – The WISD has been moved back into the Grace Period, and local values will be assigned instead of state values for the 2023 tax year, as a result of the recent appeal to the Property Tax Division filed by the Perdue Brandon Fielder Collins & Mott LLP law firm. With continued review of values by the Appraisal District, the WISD will be eligible for grace for the 2024 tax year as well.
6. **Retainer Agreement with Walsh Gallegos** – An information letter from Haley Turner of Walsh Gallegos containing products, services, and a summary of the fee structure for their law firm.
7. **Budget Timeline** – 2024-2025 Planning Calendar for School Districts
8. **School Facilities** – Summer projects may include: Hellas Construction repairs to track; old weight room renovations/change in use; vinyl window coverings for field house.
9. **Summer Leadership Institute** – Registration and housing has been secured for June 12-14 SLI in San Antonio.
10. **Future Meetings and Agenda Items** – June 10, 2024 will be the next monthly meeting of the Board.

X. CONSENT AGENDA:

A. Approval of Minutes

1. Regular Board Meeting – April 8, 2024

B. Approval of Financial Statements

1. Bills Paid
2. Tax Collection Report
3. Budget Projection Report and Budget to Actual Report
4. Cash Balances/Financial and Investment Report

With a motion by Jeremy Maupin and second by Tom Strickland, the consent agenda was unanimously approved as presented.

XI. ACTION ITEMS:

- A. **Consider and take action to appoint Chase Seelke the authority to bind insurance coverage for Weimar ISD.** – With a motion by Jim Sanders and second by Brian Christen, the Board unanimously appointed Chase Seelke as a member representative with the authority to bind Weimar ISD in all property/casualty coverage matters.
- B. **Consider and take appropriate action concerning amending the authorized representatives and signatures at bank.** – Action on this item was postponed to after closed session and reorganization of the Board.
- C. **Consider and take appropriate action to adopt policy GKG (LOCAL)** – With a motion by Jeremy Maupin and second by Jim Sanders, the Board unanimously approved policy GKG (Local) as presented.
- D. **Consider and take appropriate action regarding a resolution to accept chaplains as volunteers, in accordance with Senate Bill 763.** – With a motion by Joni VanHouten and second by Brian Christen, the Board unanimously adopted a resolution that affirms the practice of a district campus permitting a chaplain to provide support, services, and programs for students in accordance with the district's GKG (LOCAL) policy.
- E. **Consider and take appropriate action to amend the 2024-2025 School Calendar** – With a motion by Brian Christen and second by Joni VanHouten, the Board unanimously moved to ratify the revised 2024-2025 School Calendar for Weimar ISD as presented.

XII. CLOSED SESSION:

The Board entered into closed session at 7:25pm.

XIII. OPEN SESSION:

A. **Consideration and Action, if any, resulting from a closed session.** – The Board entered into open session at 8:21pm.

With a motion by Jeremy Maupin and second by Joni VanHouten, the Board unanimously approved a Probationary Contract for Allyson McIntosh for the 2024-2025 school year.

XIV. REORGANIZATION OF OFFICERS OF BOARD OF TRUSTEES:

Joni VanHouten moved that Steve Williams be elected President of the Board. Tom Strickland seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

Joni VanHouten moved that Brian Christen be elected Vice-President of the Board. Tom Strickland seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

Joni VanHouten moved that April Mikulenska be elected Secretary of the Board. Tom Strickland seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

Action on Item XI – Consider and take appropriate action concerning amending the authorized representatives and signatures at bank. With a motion by Jeremy Maupin and second by Jim Sanders, the Board approved the recommendation to amend the authorized representatives and signatures at Hill Bank and Trust for Weimar ISD.

XV. ADJOURNMENT.

With no further business before the Board, President Steve Williams adjourned the meeting at 8:24pm.