

The Board of Trustees of the Brenham Independent School District met in regular session May 15, 2017 at 6:00 PM in Lecture Rooms 111 & 113 at Brenham High School. Notice was posted according to the requirements outlined in Texas Government Code Chapter 551. The following board members were present:

Natalie Lange, President
Susan Jenkins, Secretary
Kelvin Raven

Melvin Ehlert, Vice President
Tommie Sullivan
Mike Altman

Absent – Mark Schneider

Also present were Superintendent Walter Jackson, Assistant Superintendents Jamey Johnson and Paul Aschenbeck, the following BISD Administrators: Jessica Johnston, Kim Weatherby, Christie Olivarez, Leslie Broesche, Bonnie Brinkmeyer, Kim Strauss, Cody Stelter, Steve Skrla, Joseph Chandler, Bryan Bryant, Peggy Still, Michael Ogg, Courtney Mason, Rob Fleming and Allan Colvin; Noell Buffam with KWHI, Arthur Hahn with Brenham Banner Press, Debbie Gaskamp and guests.

1. CALL TO ORDER
The meeting was called to order by President Natalie Lange at 6:00 PM.
Mrs. Lange opened the meeting with the reading of Board Protocol for Regular Open Meetings.
2. PLEDGE / INVOCATION
The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Kelvin Raven and the invocation was given by Director of Accountability and Professional Development, Bonnie Brinkmeyer.
3. ELECTION CERTIFICATES
Each re-elected Trustee signed the required officer's statement:
Position 5 – Tommie Sullivan
Position 6 – Natalie Lange
Position 7 – Melvin Ehlert
County Judge John Brieden administered the Oath of Office to the following re-elected Trustees:
Position 5 – Tommie Sullivan
Position 6 – Natalie Lange
Position 7 – Melvin Ehlert
4. ELECTION OF OFFICERS
Tommie Sullivan made a motion, seconded by Mike Altman to keep the current officers of Natalie Lange – President, Melvin Ehlert – Vice President and Susan Jenkins – Secretary. The motion passed with a vote of six for and none opposed.
5. SPECIAL RECOGNITION
"You Make A Difference" Award Recipients
Board member Melvin Ehlert presented the "You Make a Difference" award to the Graham Masonic Lodge # 20 and the Hubert Masonic Lodge #67, Chappell Hill, for their invaluable service to the staff and students of Brenham ISD.
MCJROTC – Cpt. Jeffrey Bayse and Company
Cpt. Bayse introduced the award winning BHS MJROTC Regional and National champions.

Virtual Reality Tour of Italy – BHS World History Class
BHS World History Teacher, Donna Fielding, introduced students who presented a virtual tour of their trip to Italy.

Texas Parks and Wildlife Association Coop Grant
Outdoor Education Specialist, Natalie James relayed information regarding the Texas Parks and Wildlife Association Coop Grant.

6. MONETARY DONATIONS TO THE DISTRICT

Susan Jenkins presented a motion to approve the \$7,000 donation from the ExxonMobile Educational Alliance to support the BISD science and math programs and the \$28,089.92 donation from the Brenham Band Parents to pay for the band's San Antonio trip as presented. Tommie Sullivan seconded and the motion passed unanimously with a vote of six for and none opposed.

7. CONSENT AGENDA

a. Minutes

b. NWEA Universal Screener

Melvin Ehlert asked that Item 7c be removed from the consent agenda pending further discussion. Mike Altman made a motion to approve as presented: the minutes from the April 17, 2017 regular board meeting; the use of Instructional Material Allotment (IMA) funds to pay for the purchase of a NWEA Universal Screener. The motion received a second from Kelvin Raven and was unanimously approved with a vote of six for and none opposed.

c. Waterford PK Instructional Program

Following a discussion on the Waterford PK Instructional program, Melvin Ehlert made a motion to table Item 7c until more information could be received from administration. Tommie Sullivan seconded and the motion passed with a vote of six for and none opposed.

8. END OF YEAR CAMPUS UPDATES

Each campus administrator presented a brief administrative report/activity update on their campus.

9. UPDATE ON CURRICULUM MANAGEMENT SYSTEM

Assistant Superintendent Jamey Johnson presented an update on the District's new Curriculum Management System.

10. DISPOSAL/SALE OF OBSOLETE/SURPLUS BUSES

Assistant Superintendent Paul Aschenbeck relayed information regarding the disposal/sale of obsolete/surplus buses.

11. 85th LEGISLATIVE SESSION UPDATE

Assistant Superintendent Paul Aschenbeck presented an update on the 85th Legislative Session

12. UPDATE ON 2017-2018 STAFFING

Director of Human Resources, Christie Olivarez, presented an update on staffing for the 2017-2018 school year.

13. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

No individuals addressed the Board.

14. EXECUTIVE SESSION

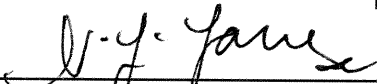
The Board of Trustees went into an executive session at 7:24pm according to the Texas Open Meetings Act, Texas government Code, Chapter 551.0741, Personnel Matters.

The Board of Trustees reconvened in open meeting at 7:39pm.

Kelvin Raven made a motion, seconded by Mike Altman to accept the Superintendent's recommendation to employ Mrs. Rachel Peterson as the assistant Principal of Alton Elementary School for the 2017-2018 school year as presented. The motion passed with a vote of six for and no one opposing.

15. ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to come before the Board, President Natalie Lange adjourned the meeting at 7:42pm.



Natalie Lange, President



Susan Jenkins, Secretary