

Minutes of Workshop Meeting

The Board of Trustees Little Elm ISD

A Workshop Meeting of the Board of Trustees of Little Elm ISD was held Monday, September 14, 2015, beginning at 6:30 PM in the Zellars Center for Learning and Leadership.

PRESENT: Board President LeAnna Harding, Board Vice President Melissa Myers, Board Secretary DeLeon English, Trustee Christopher Williams, Trustee G. David Montemayor, Trustee Jason Olson, Trustee Alejandro Flores and Superintendent Lowell H. Strike.

1. Call to Order Open Session in the Board Room at Zellars Center for Learning and Leadership on 300 Lobo Lane, Little Elm, Texas 75068. Board President LeAnna Harding called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm.
2. Pledge of Allegiance
The Board led those in attendance to The Pledges of The United States Flag and The Texas Flag.
3. Introduction and Roll Call
Ms. Sonia F. Badillo took roll call.
4. Citizen input
There was no citizen input.
5. Approval of Minutes
 - A. Discuss and approve Regular Meeting Minutes - 8/24/2015
Trustee Alejandro Flores made the first motion to approve the minutes as submitted. Board Secretary DeLeon English seconded the motion. The motion passed (7-0).
6. Reports of the Superintendent
 - A. LEISD's Hiring and Onboarding Process and Mentoring Program
This item was tabled.
 - B. Professional Learning
Ms. Ashley Helms shared with the Board a presentation about Professional Learning. The presentation included the following:
Professional Learning 2015 Board Update
 - Multiple Formats
 - Face to Face
 - Online
 - Collaborative
 - Focused
 - Building Capacity
 - Summer Learning Summit

- Leader Training
- New Teacher Orientation
- Fall Kick Off
- Recorded Hours - 10,335

C. 2nd Quarter Growth Report

Mr. Rod Reeves presented to the Board the 2nd Quarter Growth Report. The report included the following:

- Quarterly Report 2Q15
- Economic Conditions – DFW MSA (June 2015)
- Dallas-Fort Worth Housing Market
- DFW New Home Ranking Report
- New Housing Activity
- Vacant Developed Lots 2Q15
- Future Lots 2Q15
- Overall Housing Data
- Active Housing Activity
- Active Housing The Tribute – The Colony
- Active Development Wildridge – Town of Oak Point
- Active Development Hidden Cove – City of Frisco
- Future Housing Activity – Valencia on the Lake – Little Elm
- Enrollment History
- Ten Year Forecast
- Ten Year Forecast by Elementary Campus
- Ten Year Forecast by Middle School and High School
- Summary

7. The Board recessed into Closed Meeting at 6:58 pm in the Professional Development Room as permitted by the Texas Open Meetings Act Code Subchapter 551.074 and 551.072. The Board and Superintendent discussed:

A. Personnel - 551.074

B. Land - 551.72

The Board reconvened at 8:20 pm.

8. Action Items

A. Discuss and approve the Canvass of Tax Ratification Election

Mr. Grant Anderson shared with the Board the results of the Tax Ratification Election.

Trustee Alejandro made the first motion to approve the Canvass of Tax Ratification Election as submitted. Board Secretary DeLeon English seconded the motion. The motion passed (7-0).

B. Discuss and approve Read 180 Additional Licenses

Ms. Cyndy Mika presented to the Board the Read 180 Additional Licenses. Curriculum and Learning Services is expanding the amount of Read 180 Licenses at the middle school in order to serve 90 additional students.

Board Vice President Melissa Myers made the first motion to approve the Read 180 Additional Licenses. Trustee Christopher Williams seconded the motion.

The motion passed (7-0).

9. Discussion Items

- A. Discuss the Maximum Class Size Exception from the Commissioner of Education
Mr. Matthew Gutierrez shared with the Board a presentation about the Maximum Class Size Exception from the Commissioner of Education. The presentation included the following:

LEISD Class Size Update

- LEISD Enrollment
- Brent Elementary Enrollment -588
- Chavez Elementary Enrollment – 739
- Hackberry Elementary Enrollment – 633
- Lakeview Elementary Enrollment – 642
- Oak Point Elementary Enrollment – 639
- Prestwick STEM K-5 Enrollment -390
- Prestwick STEM 6-8 Enrollment – 335
- Lakeside Middle School & Powell Center Enrollment – 1200
- LEHS Enrollment – 2003

The Board expressed concerns about numbers at Little Elm High School.

- B. Discuss the (LOCAL) policies contained within the reconstructed TASB Localized Policy Manual, effective this date, and repeal all previous policies
Mr. Matthew Gutierrez briefed the Board about (LOCAL) policies contained within the constructed TASB Localized Policy Manual, effective this date, and repeal all previous policies. Mr. Gutierrez also provided a (LOCAL) Policy Action List.

C. Discuss Update 102

Mr. Matthew Gutierrez briefed the Board about Update 102. TASB's Update 102 addresses several recent changes in state and federal law, including amendments to the Texas Administrative Code on special education services, community and student engagement, and community-based fine arts programs. The update also encompasses a review of the legal and local policies addressing bonds and investments, as well as a reorganization of the DEA series of policies addressing compensation to focus the series on the primary component-the board-adopted compensation plan.

D. Discuss the Financial Report

Mr. Grant Anderson presented to the Board the Financial Report.

10. Consent Agenda

- A. Discuss and approve the LEISD PDAS Appraisers for 2015-2016

B. Discuss and approve Gifts and Donations

Board Vice President Melissa Myers made the first motion to approve the Consent Agenda. Board Secretary DeLeon English seconded the motion. The motion passed (7-0).

11. Comments of the Board President

Board President LeAnna Harding reminded the Board about the following upcoming

events:

- Homecoming Parade - 9/23
- Team of 8 Training - 9/28
- Board Retreat - 11/07
- TASA / TASB Conference - 10/01-04
- Board Meetings in November 9 and December 14

12. Board Comments

- Board Secretary DeLeon English requested an update about the King Property.

13. Superintendent Comments


Dr. Lowell H. Strike made the following comments:


- Thank you to the Board for your support on the TRE
- Thank you to the Board for approving the increase of 5% for salary and contribution of \$100 for insurance for LEISD staff
- 64 people have turned in their application for ICLE
- Homecoming parade - 9/23
- Homecoming game - 9/25
- Key Communicators - 9/24

14. Adjournment

Trustee Christopher Williams made the first motion to adjourn the meeting. Board Secretary DeLeon English seconded the motion. The motion passed (7-0). The meeting adjourned at 9:09 pm.

The minutes were approved on September 21, 2015.


Board President – LeaAnna Harding


Board Secretary – DeLeon English