

DECEMBER 10, 2015 BRONTE ISD BOARD MEETING

The Bronte ISD Board of Trustees held a regularly scheduled Board Meeting on December 10, 2015. Those in attendance were:

- Board Members: Shane Kelton, Nick Arrott, David McWright, John Seales, Blake Braswell, Ashley Braswell, Kay Styles
- Administration: Tim Siler, Susan Henderson
- Guests: No guests were in attendance.

1. **PRAYER:** The meeting was opened immediately after the School FIRST public hearing at 7:06 pm with a prayer by Blake Braswell.
2. **ROLL CALL AND ESTABLISH QUORUM:** Quorum was established with seven members present.
3. **READING AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** Minutes were presented and read. Motion to approve as presented made by Ashley Braswell. Seconded by John Seales. Ayes: 7, Nays: 0, Motion passed.
4. **REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF BILL LISTING:** Motion to approve payment of bills as presented by David McWright. Seconded by Kay Styles. Ayes: 7, Nays: 0, Motion passed.
5. **AUDIENCE ITEMS:** There were no audience items.
6. **SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT:** Mr. Siler presented the superintendents' report to the Board.
 - A. Update on Student Activities: Basketball is ongoing with three tournaments this weekend. The elementary and middle schools have academic UIL competitions today. The Ag program is going with the livestock shows commencing. The school band concert is Sunday afternoon.
 - B. Highly Qualified Report: The district is 100% highly qualified as defined by the state.
 - C. Financial Update: Mr. Siler and the board discussed the current status of the budget. The budget will again be close this year due to concerns about maintenance of facilities and collection of taxes. That being said our attendance is holding steady and our student numbers are higher than expected.
 - D. Facilities Update:
 - i. HVAC units: Mr. Siler discussed that five HVAC units have required maintenance last month with service personnel on-site almost every day. The administration and the board decided to develop a pro-active plan to deal with these HVAC issues.
 - ii. Grey house: Due to some interest in the community, the district is considering reopening the bids to sell this house to be moved.
 - iii. White house: This house was discussed with no plans on disposition at this time.
 - iv. Vehicle fleet: The district will consider selling some of the older school vehicles at auction to reduce maintenance and insurance costs.
7. **DISCUSS / APPROVE BY RESOLUTION TO CAST BALLOT FOR BOARD DIRECTOR FOR THE RUNNELS COUNTY APPRAISAL DISTRICT:** Motion to support Kerwin Denton with all 82 votes from BISD was made by David McWright. Seconded by Blake Braswell. Ayes: 7, Nays: 0, Motion passed.
8. **DISCUSS/APPROVE RETAINER WITH LAW FIRM WALSH GALLEGOS:** Mr. Siler presented the renewal of membership for Walsh Gallegos, (formerly Walsh Anderson), for the upcoming school year. The price to renew is identical to previous years at \$1000 per year. Motion to approve as presented and authorize Mr. Siler as the district's signatory in this matter was made by Blake Braswell. Seconded by Kay Styles. Ayes: 7, Nays: 0, Motion passed.
9. **DISCUSS / APPROVE 2015 / 2016 DISTRICT CALENDAR CHANGES:** Mr. Siler presented the revised calendar which aligns with HB 2610 requiring a minimum of 75,600 minutes of instruction rather than 180 days of instruction. The revised calendar shows that President's day (February 15, 2016) will be a holiday. This calendar also shows a number of days removed from the end of the school year. Motion to approve as presented was made by Blake Braswell and seconded by Nick Arrott. Ayes: 7, Nays: 0, Motion passed.

10. **DISCUSS / APPROVE UPDATE 103 (First Half)**: Mr. Siler and the board began discussions pertaining to the TASB Update 103. It was noted that this is the largest update done in many years; this is why the update is split between two meetings. The board will finish discussions at the next meeting.
11. **DISCUSS / APPROVE INTERNET SAFETY POLICY**: Mr. Siler presented the internet safety policy for the district to the board. Motion to approve as presented was made by Shane Kelton and seconded by Ashley Braswell. Ayes: 7, Nays: 0, Motion passed.
12. **CORRESPONDENCE**: The next regularly scheduled board meeting will be held January 21, 2016 immediately following the 2014-2015 TAPR public hearing. The hearing will begin at 7 pm in the district offices.
13. **EXECUTIVE SESSION**:
 - ENTERED INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION ACCORDING TO SECTION 551.012 THRU 551.146 OF THE GOVERNMENT CODE. The Board entered into executive (closed) session at 8:20 pm.
 - A. Personnel
 - RECONVENE IN REGULAR SESSION FOR ACTION ON ITEMS DISCUSSED IN EXECUTIVE SESSION: The Board reconvened in regular (open) session at 8:54 pm.
14. **ADJOURNMENT**: Ashley Braswell made a motion to adjourn and John Seales seconded. Ayes: 7, Nays: 0, Motion passed. Meeting adjourned at 8:54 p.m.