

# **CISD BOARD REPORT**

A Summary of the Board of Trustees Meeting

# August 6 & August 20, 2018

The Board of Trustees of the Corsicana Independent School District held a board workshop on Monday, August 6, 2018 and a regular board meeting on Monday, August 20, 2018. The meetings were called to order by Mrs. Leah Blackard, President of the Board of Trustees.

#### Recognitions

Halle Tiger, a Belgian Malinois, is the newest member of the Corsicana ISD Police Department. Halle Tiger is originally from Poland and is a trained narcotics K9 officer. Discount Tire and K9's4Cops were also recognized for sponsoring a grant that allowed CISD to receive Halle Tiger as one of our CISD Police Officers. Officer Adam Richter is Halle Tigers' K9 Handler.



# **Audience for Guests**

Gowan Murphy expressed his gratitude to

the Board of Trustees and the Superintendent for considering and implementing a raise for the bus drivers, child nutrition, and custodians.

#### **Closed Session Action**

As a result of closed session, Board of Trustee Mr. Terry Seth resigned his position on the Board of Trustees. On a motion by Father Ed Monk and seconded by Mrs. Cathy Branch, the Board of Trustees voted to accept Mr. Seth's resignation effective immediately. Mr. Seth received a plaque in honor of his years of service on the CISD Board of Trustees.

As a result of closed session, Father Ed Monk motioned to approve the two purchase contracts for the Old Tiger Field. Dr. Charles Biltz seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

#### TASB Delegate Assembly

On a motion by Barbara Kelley and seconded by Terry Seth, the Board of Trustees appointed Mrs. Barbara Kelley as the TASB Delegate and Mrs. Cathy Branch as the alternate. The motion passed unanimously.

#### **Summer School Report**

Elementary Summer School, held at Collins Intermediate from May 30 through June 27, 2018, included math and reading. Approximately 100 students were presented on a daily basis from 8:30-3:30. Mr. Tim Betts and Ms. Tiffany Farmer served as summer school administrators. Lessons were high interest and provided opportunities for students to have experiences with real world applications.

Eighth grade summer school was administered by Mr. Jason Hervey. Forty-seven eighth grade students participated in math, 32 were in ELA, and 31 seventh and eighth graders were enrolled for credit recover at Corsicana Middle School. Technology and hands-on-activities were the focus of lessons with the intent of increasing student interest and focus. High interest instructional materials were used in ELAR classes. Math courses focused on application of concepts to create learning experiences. For example, students utilized physics, geometry, and meteorology to design, create, and fly kites, calculating courses and evaluating the best design and materials for the highest and longest flights.

Science Summer Camp was held at Collins Intermediate School. The theme for this year was Matter. Fifty-Five students and five teachers participated in exciting, hands-on activities that included creating hover balloons, dancing spaghetti, and mystery solutions. They created science journals where they discussed science topics, such as fingerprinting.

Coding Camp at Carroll Elementary was very successful, with 45 students from kindergarten through 4<sup>th</sup> grade experiencing Coding for the first time. Six teachers began with instruction in directionality, and by mid-week students had coded robots to perform a variety of functions.

ESL Summer School had an enrollment of 63 students. Thirty-five were Pre-K and 28 were Kindergarten (2018-2019 School year grades). For our programs, the instructional focus centered around language and literacy acquisition in our four English Language Proficiency Standards of reading, listening, speaking, and writing. Every classroom had small group instruction and interactive activities dealing with these areas through oral and written language, sight word and vocabulary development, and story details and enrichment. The students had computer lab instruction for reading and math, went to the Corsicana Public Library for story time, and held a celebration of their dads with a Fathers' Day social function.

# **Final Budget Amendment**

On a motion by Cathy Branch and Seconded by Dr. Charles Biltz, the Board of Trustees voted to approve the final budget amendments for the 2017-2018 school year. The motion passed unanimously.

# Leasing Cars and Buses

Marti Shaner provided quotes for leasing 2 buses and 3 police vehicles. After 5 years of leasing, the vehicles would become property of CISD. On a motion by Terry Seth and

seconded by Barbara Kelley, the Board of Trustees voted to approve the lease of 2 international buses and 3 police vehicles from Government Capitol. The motion passed unanimously.

#### **Adopt Tax Rate**

On a motion by Dr. Biltz and seconded by Mrs. Barbara Kelley, the Board of Trustees voted to adopt the tax rate which is \$1.04 per \$100 of valuation for the M&O and a Debt Service tax rate of \$0.3303 per \$100 valuation for a combined tax rate of \$1.3703 per \$100 valuation for the 2018 tax year. The motion passed unanimously.

#### Proposed Raises for 2018-2019 School Year

On a motion presented by Terry Seth and Seconded by Father Ed Monk, the Board of Trustees voted to approve all raises presented.

#### Approved Budget for 2018-2019 School Year

On a motion by Cathy Branch and seconded by Father Ed Monk, the Board of Trustees voted to approve the budget for the 2018-2019 school year. The motion passed unanimously.

# **Student Code of Conduct**

The local student code of conduct serves to communicate with students, parents, staff, and the community the expectations for students and the consequences for misconduct. On a motion by Barbara Kelley and seconded by Dr. Kent Rogers, the Board of Trustees voted to approve the 2018-2019 Student Code of Conduct.

# Update 111

Update 111 includes modifications to policies in the following areas:

- Board Members-Training and Orientation
- Fiscal Management Goals and Objectives-Financial Ethics
- Contracted Services-Criminal History
- Employee standards of Conduct-Searches and Alcohol/Drug Testing
- Employee Welfare
- Attendance-Compulsory

On a motion by Barbara Kelley and seconded by Dr. Charles Biltz, the Board of Trustees voted to approve Update 111.

# **Technology Update**

Mr. Eller Avellaneda presented the technology report. The technology report informs our stakeholders of the existing status of our technology program and provides insight, as it relates to digital readiness, infrastructure and upcoming initiatives.

# **Student Online Registration**

Marti Shaner announced that student online registration is now ready to implement.

# **Consent Agenda**

On a motion by Barbara Kelley and seconded by Terry Seth, the Board of Trustees voted to approve the Consent Agenda which consisted of:

- A. TTESS Appraiser Lists
- B. Credit by Exam Dates
- C. Monthly Financial Report
- D. Monthly Check Register
- E. Previous Meeting Minutes

The motion passed unanimously.

The board workshop on August 6, 2018 adjourned at 6:30 PM. The regular meeting on August 20, 2018 adjourned at 6:00 PM.