

April 17, 2007

AT THE BOARD TABLE

Minutes of Regular Meeting The Board of Trustees

Bastrop Independent School District

A regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of Bastrop Independent School District was held on **April 17, 2007**, beginning at 6:30 PM at the Bastrop ISD Service Center, 906 Farm Street, Bastrop, Texas.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Valerie Bullock, President
Bill Vear, Vice-President
Rene Barrientos, Secretary
Glenn Peterson
Karen Halladay
James Allen
Sophia Williams

MEMBERS ABSENT:

None

OTHERS PRESENT:

Doug Clark
Lydia Torres
Shane Harrell
Jerry Acevedo
Jud Stahl
Christine Hansen
Randy Wilson
Jeremy Nicholas
Jim Mills
Tommy Hines
Jennifer Salazar
Shellie Crow

ALSO PRESENT:

Roderick Emanuel, Superintendent
Betty Richardson, Asst. Supt. for Curriculum & Instruction
Karen Dooley, Asst. Supt. for Human Resources
Sandra Callahan, Chief Financial Officer
Donald Williams, Exec. Director of Community Services
Henry Gideon, Chief Operations Officer
Lori Gracey, Director of Instruction & Technology
Sherri Gilmore, Director of Special Education Co-op
Lacey Padgett, Director of Human Resources
Thomas Dowdy, Director of Maintenance
Robert Washington, Director of Athletics
Jennifer Womack, Director of Curriculum & Assessment
Tessie Young, Director of Programs
Terrell King, Bastrop High School Asst. Principal
Nancy Barrientos, Adm. Asst. to Superintendent
Dr. Tamera Stark, 21st Century Grant Coordinator
Renee Setser, Technology Facilitator
Pat Tips, Technology Specialist
Liz Wysocki, Technology Specialist
Shevis Moore, Safety Officer/Emergency Mgmt. Coord.
Lora Hardway, Bastrop High School Asst. Principal
Patrick Deviney, Network Services Manager
Andrew Polk, BHS Band Director
J.C. Madrigal

1. Opening, Presentations & Open Forum

A. Meeting Called to Order

President Bullock called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. A quorum of Board members was present. The meeting was duly called and notice of this meeting was posted in accordance with the Texas Open Meetings Act.

B. Pledge of Allegiance

The Board of Trustees led the Pledge of Allegiance.

C. Pledge of Allegiance to the Texas Flag

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D. Opening Prayer

Glenn Peterson offered the opening prayer.

E. Open Forum

1. Doug Clark

Doug Clark, President of the BHS Band Booster Club, announced the 1st Annual Bastrop Bands Bash on Thursday, May 3rd at Bastrop High School. Dr. Clark invited Board members and the community to attend the event.

2. Superintendent's Report and Board Discussion

A. Personnel Report

Information was provided to the Board. There was no discussion.

B. Financial Report

Information was provided to the Board. There was no discussion.

1. Preliminary Budget Information

Sandra Callahan presented preliminary budget information for the 2007-08 school year. Mrs. Callahan reported that the budget is based upon a projected student enrollment of 8,521, an increase of 2% from the current school year.

Mrs. Callahan reviewed staffing additions for the 07-08 budget. She reminded the Board that the proposed budget assumes \$2.35 million in technology and money for the Genesis Program. Mrs. Richardson explained that the Genesis Program began as a drop-out prevention program 15 years ago, and will offer an evening program in addition to the daytime program. The proposed budget will include money for a principal for Genesis. Mrs. Richardson reported that the high school will offer a credit recovery program next year for students needing to make up a credit or two, adding that high school allotment money would be used for the program.

Glenn Peterson applauded the administration for bringing this program back to the district.

C. Operations Report

1. Update on BHS Renovations & Additions Program

Shane Harrell from Bartlett Cocke updated the Board on the BHS renovations and additions program. Mr. Harrell reported that the work is currently on schedule and within budget.

2. Update on District Security Measures

BISD Safety Officer/Emergency Management Coordinator Shevis Moore reviewed district security measures and check in procedures. He reported that BISD is now requiring photo identification when registering students and visiting on campuses. Mr. Moore stated that he has been meeting with district administrators to clarify policy requirements and ensure program consistency. He added that visitor check-in protocol will be included in the districts' emergency management program.

Mr. Vear asked if there was a plan for monitoring the doors. Mr. Moore answered that he is in the process of evaluating that process and the assessment will be completed by May 1st. He added that the goal will be to monitor or lock all campus doors. Mr. Emanuel stated that the district is training all students and staff to be on the lookout and make sure everyone is checking in at the front office. Mr. Vear also expressed concern with monitoring the perimeter of campuses, and stated that physical presence will deter people more than anything. Mr. Vear commented that the key is to train ALL staff in Crisis Management. President Bullock asked for another safety update prior to the start of next school year.

3. Consent Agenda

A. Consider Approval of Minutes of March 20, 2007

B. Consider Approval of Bids

1. Computer Monitoring and Teaching Software

2. Network Management Software

C. Consider Approval of Designated Contract Renewal and Resignation Days

President Bullock asked if any member of the Board would like to pull any of the consent agenda items for closer review. Item B was pulled for additional information. There being no further requests or objections, the following consent agenda items were approved: the minutes of March 20, 2007; and the designated contract renewal and resignation days as presented.

Item 3-B1: Lori Gracey reported that CrossTec was the only company that met the majority of the bid specifications.

Rene Barrientos moved and Sophia Williams seconded to accept the bid of \$35,214.18 from CrossTec Corporation for the purchase of teaching software.

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Item 3-B2: Mrs. Gracey reported that the bids for the network management software came in higher than anticipated; however after reviewing the proposals, she is satisfied with the bids and is recommending the proposal be awarded to Dell.

Bill Vear moved and Rene Barrientos seconded to award the low proposal for the network management software to Dell in the amount of \$98,780.00.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

4. Action Items

A. Consider Approval of Bid for BHS Band Uniforms

BHS Band Director Andrew Polk reviewed the two lowest bids that were received for the band uniforms and recommended the Fred J. Miller uniform.

James Allen moved and Glenn Peterson seconded to award the contract for the Bastrop High School band uniforms to Fred J. Miller, Inc. in the amount of \$55,590.00.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

B. Consider Approval of Bid for Laptop/Tablet

Lori Gracey reviewed the bids received for the laptop/tablet for the 5th & 6th graders. She reported that the bids came in much lower this time around and the companies that bid threw in a lot of extras. Mrs. Gracey added that she was very pleased with the product that she is recommending this evening.

Glenn Peterson moved and James Allen seconded to approve the low proposal for the 1,250 5th and 6th grade laptop computers and accompanying peripherals to CDW-G in the amount of \$1,038,962.50.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

C. Consider Approval of General Fund and Debt Service Budget Amendments

Sandra Callahan reviewed requested budget amendments. She reported that a final amendment to the 2006-07 budgets would be presented in June.

Bill Vear moved and Rene Barrientos seconded to approve the amendments to the 2006-07 general fund and debt service budgets as presented.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

5. Information Items

District-Wide Calendar

Information was provided to the Board. There was no discussion.

B. Enrollment

Information was provided to the Board. There was no discussion.

C. Update on 2006-2007 Goals and Objectives

Information was provided to the Board. Superintendent Emanuel expressed concern on measure #8 of Goal #1. He explained that he was not sure why the number of BHS students enrolled in higher education institutions has decreased; however after speaking with other districts, many are experiencing the same. Mr. Emanuel stated that he would continue to look at this and bring a report of his findings to the Board.

D. Depository Contract

Information was provided to the Board. There was no discussion.

E. Discuss Future Agenda Items

There was no discussion of future agenda items.

6. Closed Session

The Board of Trustees on April 17, 2007 beginning at 7:58 p.m. convened into closed session in accordance with the Texas Open Meetings Act.

A. Consultation with Attorneys regarding Open Meetings Act and Board Governance Issues (551.071)

7. Action Resulting from Closed Session

The Board reconvened in open session at 9:23 p.m. on April 17, 2007. There was no action resulting from Closed Session.

8. Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:23 p.m.

