

Superintendent's Report

Brock Board Meeting August 21st, 2017

6:00 pm

Members Present at Roll Call (6:00 pm) – President – Dr. Marty Ivey, Vice-President – Shanna Boleman, Secretary – Cody Lane, Board Members – John McGuire, Travis Faulkner, Brent Gough and John Brunner.

Consent Agenda

The consent agenda was adopted by a vote of 7-0.

Closed Session

The Board went into closed session pursuant to sections 551.072, 551.074 and 551.076.

Open Meeting

No action was taken on matters in closed session.

Hearing of Patrons

No patron signed up to speak.

Business Action

The Board approved the amended 2017-2018 District calendar as presented. The 2017-2018 Brock ISD district calendar was approved at the March 21st, 2017 Board Meeting. On June 28th, 2017, the Texas Education Agency updated their testing calendar which affects the Brock ISD district calendar that was approved 3 months earlier. Specifically, the two bad weather make-up days scheduled on April 9th and May 14th are in conflict with the updated TEA Testing Calendar. Administration met to discuss the conflicts and determined that the best option for the district calendar is to move the bad weather make-up days to April 16th and May 4th. Based on the admin meeting, Brock ISD administration recommended that the Board approve the amended calendar as presented. Vote was 7-0.

The Board approved the Brock ISD Student Code of Conduct and official time of day for attendance taking for each campus as presented in the Brock ISD Student Handbook. **The Student Code of Conduct (“Code”)** is the district’s

response to the requirements of Chapter 37 of the Texas Education Code. The Code provides methods and options for managing students in the classroom and on school grounds, disciplining students, and preventing and intervening in student discipline problems. The law requires the district to define misconduct that may—or must—result in a range of specific disciplinary consequences including removal from a regular classroom or campus, out-of-school suspension, placement in a disciplinary alternative education program (DAEP), placement in a juvenile justice alternative education program (JJAEP), or expulsion from school. As required by state law, the board of trustees must officially adopted the Student Code of Conduct in order to promote a safe and orderly learning environment for every student. **Time of Day for Attendance Taking:** Each campus must determine attendance for all grades by the absences recorded at the one particular point in time the campus has chosen for roll to be taken (a snapshot, for example, 9:45 a.m.) during the second or fifth instructional hour of the day or its equivalent. The selected time may vary from campus to campus within your district. However, once a time has been selected, a campus must not change it during the school year. Vote to approve Student Code of Conduct and Time of Day for Attendance Taking was 7-0.

The Board approved the T-TESS teacher evaluation calendar for the 2017-2018 school year. The Texas Teacher Evaluation and Support System (T-TESS) focuses on providing continuous, timely and formative feedback to educators so they can improve their practice. This calendar sets guidelines for when a teacher can be formally evaluated. Informal walk-throughs can and may occur at any time during the school year. Vote was 7-0.

The Board approved an addition to the original Pruitt Building Services, Inc contract the amount of \$17,750. Services, Inc. in the amount of \$125,340 for the 2016-2017 school year with two additional one year extensions(2017-2018 and 2018-2019) as adjusted by the CPI(Consumer Price Index). Due to the departure of an employee at one of the campuses, Pruitt has offered to amend the contract for an additional \$17,750 annual costs. This is approximately \$7,000 cheaper than the district could hire its own employee. The major difference in potential costs is related to benefits. Vote was 7-0.

The Board approved Matthew Dehnisch Construction Management as Construction Manager-Agent for the high school parking lot expansion project. The expansion of the high school parking lot was included as part of the November, 2016 successful bond election. To complete this project, Brock ISD administration is proposing to employ Matthew Dehnisch Construction

Management for this project. The proposed fee is 8% of the total project costs. Vote was 7-0.

The Board approved the Proposed CKC(LOCAL), DH(LOCAL) and GKA(LOCAL) policies as presented in the TASB Proposed Revisions documents dated 10-3-16. In 2013, the Protection of Texas Children Act was signed into law, authorizing schools to train employees to carry concealed weapons on campus. Since that time, several school districts in Texas have implemented concealed carry programs for their employees. The purpose of these programs is to provide a first line of defense against school violence. The role of authorized concealed carry members is to protect students and staff in the case of a threat, until law enforcement arrives. Based on our responsibility to protect our students and staff, administration, along with the Brock ISD School Board, recommends implementing a concealed carry program at Brock ISD. Policies affected by the implementation of a concealed carry program include CKC(LOCAL), DH(LOCAL) and GKA(LOCAL). Administration recommended approving the amended policies as provided by Brock ISD's TASB Policy Consultant and approved by TASB attorneys. Vote was 7-0.

The Board approved a motion to grant the Superintendent the authority to create Guardian Plan Procedures for the Concealed Carry Program previously approved by this School Board. Regulations and procedures must be created and approved by the Superintendent if a school board approves a Concealed Carry Program for their District. Upon approval from the Brock ISD School Board, the Superintendent will work KB Law Firm and a district-approved security consultant to create Guardian Plan regulations and procedures specific to Brock ISD. A recommendation by the Superintendent was made to the School Board approve the motion to give the Superintendent authority to prepare the Guardian Plan procedures as required by law. Vote was 7-0.

Business Discussion

Superintendent Scott Drillette discussed the new 9 lot subdivision in Brock ISD called Grindstone Estates. The neighborhood is located on the corner of Grindstone Rd. and Consolation Rd.

Mr. Drillette also shared with the Board of his acceptance into the Thompson Executive Leadership Institute Superintendent Academy. The TELI Superintendent Academy is a nationally known advanced leadership development program for Superintendents in Texas and surrounding states. The Academy

meets seven sessions, five at Region 13 in Austin, one in New York City and one at the Visioning Conference, also in the Austin. Superintendents accepted into the Academy will receive a scholarship that covers all education related expenses plus transportation and hotel costs of a field trip to Columbia University and visits to several New York City schools.

Meeting Adjourned

The meeting was adjourned at 8:01 PM.

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