

CENTER POINT ISD BOARD OF TRUSTEES
Regular Meeting
Wednesday, May 27, 2020

MEMBERS PRESENT

Michael Butler, President
Sabyn Park, Secretary
Jimmy Nibblett
Scott Turner

Allen Kaiser, Vice President
Guy Bolin
Sherry Rivers

MEMBERS ABSENT

ADMINISTRATION PRESENT

Cody Newcomb, Superintendent
Michael Earney, Chief of Police

Deborah Hicks, Supt. Secretary

GUESTS

None

A. Call to order/declaration of quorum:

The Center Point ISD Board of Trustees met in regular session on Wednesday, May 27, 2020, in the CP Meeting Room located on the 1st floor of the Administration Building, 215 China Street, Center Point, Texas. Board President, Michael Butler established a quorum and called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Mr. Butler stated that a notice of this meeting was posted in accordance with the Texas Open Meetings Act, Texas Government Code Chapter 551. Michael Butler led the prayer.

B. Public Forum:

1. Audience Participation
2. Recognition of Guests

C. Administrative Reports:

1. Principal's Reports

a. Elementary

Mrs. George's written report is attached to the minutes.

b. Secondary

Mr. Mills' written report is attached to the minutes.

2. Superintendent's Report

a. Graduation

Mr. Newcomb provided board members with a document released by TEA regarding options for graduation during the COVID-19 Pandemic. A copy of the document is attached. Mr. Newcomb explained the plan for Center Point High School's graduation ceremony, which is scheduled for June 5th at 8pm. The ceremony will be an in-person graduation, with each graduate having tickets to admit 7 persons to the ceremony. Social Distancing will be enforced with assigned seating in the stands.

b. Digital Learning Task Force

Mr. Newcomb reported that on-line learning will be here to stay for the future. He has created a Digital Learning Task Force to work through the process of determining best practices for online learning for the district in the future. The task force will be working throughout the summer to prepare for the coming school year.

c. VOIP Install

Mr. Newcomb reported that the district will be changing to a Voice Over-ride IP system, which is basically phone service through the internet. The system will be installed over the summer months. The approximate cost to install the system is approximately \$8,100. In addition to office phones, each teacher will have a phone in their classrooms, which will meet the requirement of all classrooms having access to direct dial 911. There will be a monthly fee for the service of approximately \$972.00, which is a slight increase of our current regular phone service of \$805.00. The only disadvantage of the new system is that the district will get new phone numbers.

d. COVID-19 Related Matters

Mr. Newcomb asked board members if they needed any additional information other than what was already discussed. It was suggested that board members would need additional technology training to accommodate the need for virtual meetings and training sessions.

D. Consent Agenda:

1. Minutes of previous meetings
2. Expenditures
3. Tax report
4. Comparison of revenue and expenditures to budget
5. Activity accounts report
6. Budget Amendment
7. Investment Report

Allen Kaiser moved to approve the consent agenda as presented with Jimmy Nibblett giving the second.

MOTION APPROVED 7 FOR 0 OPPOSED 0 ABSENT

E. Closed Session:

1. Pursuant to Section 551.074 of the Texas Government Code, deliberations concerning personnel issues

No Closed Session

F. Action Items:

1. Swearing in of District Police Chief

Board President, Michael Butler administered the Oath of Office to new CPISD Police Chief, Michael Earney.

2. Consider and take possible action to approve the CPR Requirement Waiver due to the COVID-19 Situation

Michael Butler made a motion to approve the CPR Requirement Waiver as presented. Scott Turner gave the second.

MOTION APPROVED 7 FOR 0 OPPOSED 0 ABSENT

3. Consider and take possible action to approve the Missed School Day Waiver for closed school days due to the COVID-19 situation

Michael Butler made a motion to approve the Missed School Day Waiver as presented. Jimmy Nibblett gave the second.

MOTION APPROVED 7 FOR 0 OPPOSED 0 ABSENT

4. Personnel: Consider and take possible action on the renewal/non-renewal of contracts for certified and non-certified teaching staff and personnel for the 2020-2021 school year.

Michael Butler made a motion to approve the 10-month probationary contracts for Cally Davis for the 2020-2021 school year. Scott Turner gave the second.

MOTION APPROVED 7 FOR 0 OPPOSED 0 ABSENT

5. Personnel: Consider and take possible action on the approval of employment contracts for new employees for the 2020-2021 school year

Michael Butler made a motion to approve the 10-month probationary contract for the 2020-2021 school year for Kaitlan Blankenship; Mary Southwick and Michelle Mitchell as a certified classroom teachers. Allen Kaiser gave the second.

MOTION APPROVED 7 FOR 0 OPPOSED 0 ABSENT

6. Consider and take possible action on any items pulled from the Consent Agenda

G. Adjournment.

Michael Butler moved to adjourn the meeting with Scott Turner giving the second.

MOTION APPROVED 7 FOR 0 OPPOSED 0 ABSENT

The meeting adjourned at 7:11 p.m.

Approved by:

Michael Butler, President

Date

Sabyn Park, Secretary

Date