# NOTICE OF REGULAR BOARD MEETING BOARD OF TRUSTEES CALLISBURG INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

# CALLISBURG MIDDLE/HIGH SCHOOL LIBRARY 308 DOZIER ST CALLISBURG, TEXAS 76240

JULY 20, 2021

6:30 P.M.

## I. Establish Quorum/Call Meeting to Order

President, Micah Davenport called the meeting to order at 6:31 p.m. A quorum was established with seven members being present: Micah Davenport, Mandy Gregg, Dawn Pollard, Laci Molina, Dennis Harmon, Matt Saller, and Jorden Weaver. Administrators Present: Don Metzler, Lisa Herring, Bronwyn Werts, and Janie Lewis. Board Secretary: Vickie Price.

II. Public Forum / No one signed up to speak in Public Forum

#### III. Information Items

### A. Superintendent's Report

Mr. Metzler reported to the board on the following:

- ESC Region 11 Superintendent of the Year Results. Mr. Metzler thanked the board again for the nominating him for the Superintendent of the year. Mr. Metzler informed the board that he was told it was a very close race, but he lost out to Dr. Susan Bonn, superintendent of Aledo ISD.
- We still have three teaching positions to fill: Middle School English; High School English; and High School Biology.
- Mr. Cory Huddleston joined our Callisburg Family on July 5<sup>th</sup> and has been working with Mr. May in getting his feet on the ground.
- Maintenance projects continue to be completed; however, we may not complete every single item requested. We will continue to work on these once school gets started.
- The "Back to School" meal for you and our employees will be held on Sunday, August 8, beginning at 6:00 p.m. It will be held at the Lake Kiowa Pavilion. You and your family are invited. Please let Mrs. Price or I know the number attending.
- Our District of Innovation will be up for renewal in May 2022. We will be reviewing for possible changes over the course of the school year and will bring any changes to you in March.
- The district will be hosting a "table top discussion of an emergency dealing shooter on campus on August 4th, beginning at 9:00 a.m., in the high school

cafeteria. Mr. Ray Fletcher, the Cooke County Emergency Management Director, will host the event. Cooke County emergency, law, first responders, and area school personnel will be invited. This will be followed by an actual emergency event at one of our campus later in the fall.

- We are in need of Callisburg Athletic Booster Club officers. No one has stepped forward to lead this group for the upcoming year. The ladies who have overseen the organization the past two years are stepping down. Coach Gill and his coaching staff will begin soliciting help from parents beginning Thursday night when the coaches meet with players at 7:00 p.m., in the high school gym.
- Mr. Metzler presented the board a handout on STAAR scores and reviewed the results.

(See Attached)

- B. Business Operations Update: Revenue/Expenditures/Paid Bills The Business Operation Report for June 2021 was included in the board packets for review.
- C. Financial Integrity Rating System of Texas Report concerning the Impact of Property Values for CISD

Mrs. Lewis presented the board information regarding the impact of property values. This chart includes historical property values, local taxes, FSP state aid, WADA, wealth per WADA and the district's ADA for the year. Mrs. Lewis informed the board the property taxes have increase and the state's share of funding has shrunk. Mrs. Lewis also informed the board we have received notice that the district is Chapter 41 again.

D. Public Notice of Draft ESSER III Grant Plan

Mr. Metzler explained that the federal government approved the Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief (ESSER) grant program in March 2021. The grant awarded \$1,064,725.00 to Callisburg ISD to be used over a three-year timeframe. The funds are intended to be used during the 2021-2022, 2022-2023, and 2023-2024 school years.

The funds are to be used to address learning loss through the implementation of evidence-based interventions, such as summer learning, extended day, comprehensive afterschool programs, or extended school year programs. School are to focus their attention on providing academic, social and emotional support to those students in the district in most need.

The district conducted a survey of staff, students, and community members in June to receive their input. The survey results, along with state assessment data, discipline data, attendance data, and behavior data were reviewed by school administrators, staff, and parents to identify the greatest needs within the district. A meeting was held on July 8 to review the results.

The review of data indicated that students in Special Education were performing significantly lower than any other group. It also indicated that students in fourth grade performed well below past grade level results.

The committee focused on improving instruction for Special Education students by reducing student-teacher ratios in the district. ESSER funds will be used to add two additional Special Education staff; one at the elementary campus and one at the middle/high campus. Using programs provided by TEA (CRIMSI and High Impact Tutoring), staff will be trained to use these in their daily instruction and tutorial times.

The committee determined that an afterschool program for accelerated learning needed to be developed and that summer school will need to be expanded. ESSER funds will be used to pay for these programs.

The committee also determined that the district should replace a LVN position with a RN person to better serve the health of students and staff. Finally, the committee decided that the district should continue to use upgraded air filters (MERV 13) in all HVAC units and continue to sanitize the buildings on a daily, if not hourly, basis.

#### E. Review of TASB Update 117

Mr. Metzler reviewed with the board the TASB Update 117, and informed the board this update deals with teachers leave and absentees. The only thing that he noticed that the district does not have is a bereavement leave for employees, and this is something he will look into and bring back at the next regular board meeting. (See Attached)

#### IV. Discuss/Action Items

President, Micah Davenport asked that Action Items A, B, C, & I be approved as consent agenda items.

Motion made by Mandy Gregg to Approve Action Items A, B, C, & I as consent agenda items. Motion seconded by Matt Saller.

Motion carried 7 - 0.

- A. Discuss and/or Consider Approval of Previous Board Minutes

  Consent Agenda Approved (June 15, 2021)
- B. Discuss and/or Consider Approval of Budget Amendments
  Consent Agenda Approved (See Attached)
- C. Discuss and/or Consider Approval of a Resolution Regarding Denton Regional Day School Program for the Deaf Shared Services Arrangements Agreement with CISD.

  Consent Agenda Approved (See Attached)
- D. Discuss and/or Consider Approval of Superintendent's Recommendation concerning the adoption of an order authorizing the issuance of the District's Unlimited Tax Refunding bonds, Series 2021: appointing a representative of the District and delegating to the representative certain matters with respect to the sale of the Bonds; establishing parameters for the approval of such delegated matters; approving the use of an Escrow Agreement and Paying Agent/Registrar Agreement; engaging bond counsel; ordering

the levy of an annual ad valorem tax for the payment of the Bonds; and enacting other provisions relating to the issuance sale of the Bonds.

Mr. Metzler introduced Mr. Lewis Wilks with US Capital and informed the board Mr. Wilks has been our financial advisory for the last 15 years. Mr. Wilks presented the board a handout and reviewed the issuance of the District's Unlimited Tax Refunding Bonds, Series 2021. After discussion, Mr. Davenport asked for a motion to adopt an order authorizing the issuance of the District's Unlimited Tax Refunding Bonds, Series 2021, appointing a representative of the District and delegating to the representative certain matters with respect to the sale of the Bonds, and enacting other provisions relating to the issuance and sale of the Bonds.

Motion made by Dawn Pollard.

Motion seconded by Mandy Gregg.

Motion carried 7 - 0.

(See Attached)

E. Discuss and/or Consider Approval of Property/Casualty and Worker's Compensation premiums for 2021-2022

Mr. Metzler informed the board included in the board packet was a Contribution and Coverage Summary from TASB Risk Fund for Property/Casualty and Worker's Compensation premiums for 2021-2022. Mrs. Lewis informed the board we have been with TASB for three years and have been very pleased with them.

Motion made by Laci Molina to approve TASB Risk Funding for the districts Property/Casualty and Worker's Compensation premiums for 2021-2022.

Motion seconded by Dennis Harmon.

Motion carried 7 - 0.

(See Attached)

F. Discuss and/or Consider Approval of Superintendent's Recommendation for Raising the Pay for Substitute Teachers for 2021-2022

Mr. Metzler informed the board he is proposing increasing the daily rate, we pay substitute teachers to increase our chances of obtaining quality candidates. Certified Substitute daily rate increase from \$85.00 per day to \$100.00. Non-certified Substitute daily rate increase from \$70.00 per day to \$85.00. In addition, increase the long-term (ten or more days in the same assignment) from an additional \$25.00 per day to \$35.00. Motion made by Dawn Pollard to approve raising the pay for Substitute Teachers for 2021-2022 as recommended.

Motion seconded by Laci Molina.

Motion carried 7 - 0.

(See Attached)

G. Discuss and/or Consider Approval of Superintendent's Recommendations for Professional Personnel for 2021-2022 and Acceptance of Resignations from Current Staff

#### **Closed Session**

H. Discuss and/or Consider Whether or not Callisburg ISD should allow Home School Students to Participate in UIL Activities

Mr. Metzler informed the board the UIL Legislative Council has implemented HB 547 – Homeschool Participation, regarding Non-Enrolled (Home Schooled) Students to participate in UIL Events. After discussion, the board agreed not to allow Home School Students to Participate in UIL Activities.

Motion made by Dawn Pollard to approve not to allow Home School Students to participate in UIL Events.

Motion seconded by Dennis Harmon.

Motion carried 7 - 0.

(See Attached)

 Discuss and/or Consider Approval of a TEA Waiver to modify the schedule of classes on State Assessment testing days during the school year for the 2021-2022, 2022-2023, and 2023-2024 school years.

**Consent Agenda Approved** 

(See Attached)

V. Executive Session as Authorized by Government Code, Chapter D and E.

Motion made by Laci Molina to convene in Closed Session at 7:32 p.m. in accordance to the Texas Open Meetings Act T.G.C., Chapter D and E.

Motion seconded by Dawn Pollard.

Motion carried 7 - 0.

- A. Consider Superintendent's Recommendations for CISD Professional Personnel for the 2021-2022 School Year and Resignations of Current Staff. (Sec. 551.074 Personnel Matters)
- VI. Return to Open Meeting and take action deemed necessary upon discussion in closed meeting.

Motion made by Dawn Pollard to re-convened in Open Session at 7:56 p.m. in accordance to the Texas Open Meetings Act T.G.C., Chapter D and E.

Motion seconded by Jorden Weaver.

Motion carried 7 - 0.

Motion made by Laci Molina to approve the Superintendent's recommendations for CISD Professional Personnel for 2021-2022 School Year and Resignations of Current Staff.

- Accept the resignation of Vickie Jackson
- Approve hiring Cassie Baird (teacher TBD) on a probationary teacher ten month (182 days) contract for the 2021-2022 school year.
- Approve hiring David Murley (teacher/coach TBD) on a probationary dual assignment ten and ½ month contract 9192 days) for the 2021-2022 school year.

Motion seconded by Dennis Harmon.

Motion carried 7 - 0.

### Adjournment

Motion made by Dawn Pollard to adjourn the meeting at 7:57 p.m. Motion seconded by Jorden Weaver.

Motion carried 7 - 0.

I, the undersigned do hereby certify that this notice was posted at 3:00 p.m. on Friday, July 16, 2021, at
the Administration Building, Elementary Campus, MS/HS Campus, and on <a href="http://www.cisdtx.net">http://www.cisdtx.net</a> which
is at least 72 hours prior to the date and time of the scheduled meeting.

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Board President

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Secretary