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Hawk's Talk



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Livingston ISD July Board Meeting Summary

The July meeting of the LISD Board of Trustees opened with student recognition. Members of the LHS Royal Brigade Band were recognized for qualifying for competition at the State UIL Solo and Ensemble contest. Drum Major Colby Kesler commended all state competitors on the tremendous amount of preparation required to reach this level of competition. Kesler also recognized Caleb Kesler for his achievement of earning a 1st division at state.

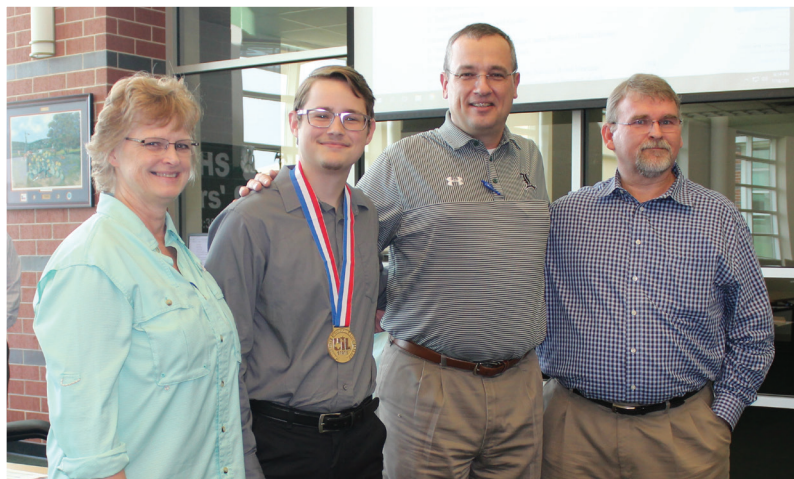
Teddy Kendrick was recognized by Board President Bea Ellis for his achievement of Outstanding Performer in his vocal performance during the Texas State Solo and Ensemble competition. According to Dr. Bradley N. Kent, State Director of Music for the University Interscholastic League (UIL), "Only 2%-3% of the 100,000 students participating in the regional UIL Contests and of the 25,000 performing at the Texas State Solo and Ensemble Contest (TSSEC) receive this distinguished honor. This achievement is truly a mark of musical excellence."

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LISD Chief Officer of Curriculum Janan Moore presented the student success report which reflected 98% of LHS students meet the standard of being college and career ready after completing their high school education.

Among the action items approved by the board was the adjunct faculty agreement with the Extension Service, the approval of the Memorandum of Understanding with Angelina College, the T-TESS evaluation appraisers, the student code of conduct and the order for the board of trustees election in November. Also approved was the interlocal agreement with Polk County and the renewal the property and casualty insurance.



STATE MEDAL RECIPIENT -- Teddy Kendrick was recognized during the July School Board meeting and awarded a UIL State Champion medal for his achievement of Outstanding Performer in his vocal performance during the Texas State Solo and Ensemble competition.

Pictured L-R: Board President Bea Ellis, Teddy Kendrick, Dr. Brent Hawkins, Superintendent, Tom Myers, Chorale Director.

Board Recognition during the July Meeting



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Pictured left to right: Co-advisor Aaron Kerss, Aubrey Cherry, Zoe McDowell, Ansleigh Brister and Advisor Joel Casiday.



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