



BOARD BRIEFS

Mineral Wells Independent School District

A Summary of Actions by the Board of Trustees Regular Meeting of October 14, 2019

The Board of Trustees met on October 14, 2019 for the purpose of holding a board workshop/regular board meeting. Members present were Sunny Lee – Vice President, Donna Henderson, Laretta Poole, and Joe Ruelas.

Action Items:

1. Approved the Monthly Financial Reports and Accounts Payable Listing.
2. Approved the Water, Electricity, and Gas Reports.
3. Approved the Annual Investment Report.
4. Approved the board meeting minutes for September 9, 2019 and September 19, 2019.
5. Approved Texas Education Agency General State Waiver – Bilingual Education Exception/ESL Waiver.
6. Approved the Junior High Security Camera Upgrade and Expansion as presented.
7. Approved the Carter Construction Company Proposal to Re-Surface Mineral Wells High School Track as presented.
8. Approved the Scoreboard Agreement with Spencer Christian Group as presented.
9. Closed Session Items:
 - Approved employment of the following new personnel: Lauren Walvoord (Travis Teacher/4th Sci & SS).

Information Items:

1. Board held a workshop at 5:30 p.m. to discuss Update on Mental Health, Planning for 2019-2020, and Agenda Review.
2. **Comments, Compliments, Recognition:**
 - **October Partner in Education** – Michael Franklin with Franklins Landscape & Pressure Wash Service implemented an “Adopt a Teacher & Campus” program in the spirit of “celebrating educators every day.” Michael and his wife, Amanda, have made numerous contributions of school supplies and teacher baskets to area educators in recognition of their hard work and dedication. MWISD Board of Trustees applauds Michael and Amanda for their participation and hope that this will continue to be a strong relationship in years to come. Mr. Franklin was called forward by Karyn Bullock, Communications Director, to receive a certificate of appreciation presented by Board Vice President, Sunny Lee.
3. **President’s Report:** Sunny Lee, Board Vice President, reported that board members recently attended the TASA/TASB Convention, participating in ongoing education.
4. **Superintendent’s Report:**
 - Dr. Kuhn announced that Proclamations signed by Governor Greg Abbott declare October as Principals Month in Texas and October 9, 2019 as Texas Education Human Resources Day in Texas. MWISD is proud to recognize our principals and the hard-working individuals in our HR Department.
 - Dr. Kuhn reported October enrollment at 3,262, highlighting larger enrollments at Pre-K – 2nd grade and 7th-9th grades. Attendance rate remains good at 96.19%.
5. Carey Carter, Executive Director of Curriculum, presented the Annual Bilingual/ESL Program Evaluation in accordance with Texas Education Code §29.053. Ms. Carter, together with Dr. Kuhn, gave high praise and recognition to Ms. Natalie Griffin, Executive Director of Special Programs, for the impressive growth of the bilingual program. When Ms. Griffin took over the bilingual program a few years ago, MWISD had three bilingual teachers: Pre-K, Kindergarten, and 1st grade, each with one teacher. MWISD currently has seven bilingual teachers: Pre-K (two teachers) through 4th grade (one teacher per grade level). The goal is to expand the program to allow for two bilingual teachers in each grade, Pre-K through 6th grade.
6. Carey Carter, Executive Director of Curriculum, reported on 2019 ACT, SAT, and AP results:
 - ACT – 22 students tested. Average score MWISD 20, state 21.
 - SAT – 131 students tested. Average score MWISD 975, state 1,100.
 - AP – 43 exams. With a score of 5 being the highest and scores of 4 and 3 being accepted by colleges to earn college credit, no student received a score of 5, one student scored 4, and 10 students scored 3.
7. The Board received calendars for October and November.

Next Regular Meeting will be on November 11, 2019

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