



BOARD BRIEFS

Mineral Wells Independent School District

A Summary of Actions by the Board of Trustees Regular Meeting of August 13, 2018

The Board of Trustees met on August 13, 2018 for the purpose of holding a board workshop/regular board meeting. Members present were Maria Jones – President, Sunny Lee, Scott Elder, Donna Henderson, Greg Malone, 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 board meeting minutes for July 9, 2018 and July 30, 2018.
4. Approved Eichelbaum Wardell Hansen Powell & Mehl, P.C. *Telephone Consultation Agreement*.
5. Approved Resolutions of Palo Pinto County Extracurricular Status of 4-H Organization/Adjunct Faculty Appointment.
6. Approved the 2018-2019 Teacher Appraisal Calendar and T-TESS Appraisers.
7. Approved Resolution for Nomination for Vacancy on the Palo Pinto Appraisal District Board of Directors.
8. Closed Session Items: None.

Information Items:

1. Board held a workshop at 5:30 p.m. to discuss Planning for 2018-2019, Administrators' Retreat, Accountability, and Agenda Review.
2. Maria Jones, Board President, reported the following:
 - TASA/TASB Annual Convention in Austin – September 28-30
 - Ms. Jones is scheduled to interview for Region 11, Position D on the TASB Board of Directors, September 7.
3. Superintendent's Reports:
 - Carrie Martin, Food Services Director, reported another successful summer feeding program. The USDA program mandates that all school districts with 50% or more free/reduced students must do a summer feeding program. MWISD was at 74% in May, 2017. The district provided one public site at Travis Elementary where all meals were prepared; lunches were delivered to four additional sites across the city. TDA makes monthly reimbursements to the district for each free meal provided to children up through age 18, or if they are still registered in school. The 2017-2018 total reimbursement of \$57,135.40, less cost of food, leaves a revenue to the district in the amount of \$18,271.23. This number is slightly down from last year but only because more students were served and the meal cost was slightly higher. Ms. Martin expressed hope to continue the program next year.
 - James Bradford, Maintenance Director, gave a brief update on the MWJH construction. John Spiller, MWJH project superintendent, was also present and available to answer any questions.
 - o Classrooms are ready to go.
 - o Kitchen floor is in and the first shipment of kitchen equipment arrives Monday, August 20, with a second shipment on Thursday, August 23. Completion of kitchen is approximately two-three weeks out.
 - o 95% completion on air conditioning.
 - o Roof needs some final work (postponed due to rain).
 - o Brick masons arrive Tuesday, August 14, to brick in freezer and then back side of A-Hall and B-Hall.
 - Bret Barrick, Transportation Director, presented a transportation update. Normal practice for the department is to purchase two new buses each year. Mr. Barrick plans to buy one bus this year and use the balance of funds to update the fleet; painting two buses and adding air conditioning to five buses which will make the entire fleet air conditioned. Next year the department will resume buying two buses. Barrick announced that minor changes were made to the Safe Rider Handbook.
 - David Tarver, Assistant Superintendent, gave a brief overview of the changes to the 2018-2019 Student Handbook and the 2018-2019 Employee Handbook.
4. Paul Hearn, Chief Financial Officer, announced there would be no change in the tax rate which will remain at \$1.17 for maintenance and operating and \$.26 for debt service. Adoption of the final budget, new budget, and tax rate is scheduled for August 30, 2018, at 6:00 p.m.
5. Dr. Kuhn presented Local District Update 111, affecting local policies. The Board will review Update 111 during the month of August and will take action at the September board meeting.

Information:

The Board received calendars for August and September.

Next Regular Meeting will be on September 10, 2018

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