

Electra Independent School District

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

REGULAR MEETING

6:00 PM

April 20, 2020

The Board of Trustees of the Electra Independent School District met in Regular Session Monday, April 20, 2020 beginning at 6:00 pm in the Board Room of the Administration Building, 400 E Roosevelt Street, Electra, Texas with Marty McCain, President presiding.

The meeting was conducted via videoconference, which was audible to the Board and allowed for two-way communication. The Board President, presiding officer or trustees were not physically present at one location but there was a quorum for the meeting on the videoconference. The public had access to this meeting by accessing the following link <https://us04web.zoom.us/j/4420596612>, or by calling the following toll-free number +1 513-480-3503 (PIN: 784325822). An electronic copy of the agenda packet was made available on the District's website at the following link: http://www.electraisd.net/page/board_agenda.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

Marty McCain, President
Ben Segler, Secretary
Sherie Rondeau, Member
Shane Robey, Member

Kayla Swenson, Vice President
Veronica Kimbro, Member
Joe Grace, Member

ABSENT:

None

SCHOOL OFFICIALS PRESENT:

Ted West, Superintendent
Jim Russell, JR/HS Principal
Ryan Quillen, Athletic Director

Laura Lee Brock, Business Manager
Steven Wallace, Elementary Principal

OTHERS PRESENT:

Jeanette Miller, Electra Star News
Ryan Bennett and Sam Gregson, Sunshine Hill Solar, LLC
Eddy Perez, attorney Walsh Gallegos Treviño Russo & Kyle
Chris Grammer, Culwell Consulting, LLC

1. **Call to Order, Establish a Quorum** - President Marty McCain called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm.
2. **Public Comment** – None
3. **Consideration of approval for the following Consent Agenda Items:**
 - 3.1 Minutes of Board Meetings– March 31, 2020
 - 3.2 Tax Office Report
 - 3.3 Financial Reports for March 2020

Mr. West recommended the approval of the consent agenda items. Motion to approve the consent agenda items by Shane Robey seconded by Sherie Rondeau. Unanimous approval 7-0.

4. **Information Only – Check Register for March 2020**
Invoices are available for review by Board Members prior to the board meeting.
5. **Discussion and Consideration of amending Policy CCGB (Local) related to Ad Valorem Taxes and Economic Development.**
Laura Lee Brock, Business Manager and Eddy Perez, attorney with Walsh Gallegos Treviño Russo & Kyle presented and Mr. West recommended the approval of the changes to Policy CCGB (Local) relating to ad valorem taxes and economic development. Motion to adopt the updates to Board Policy CCGB (LOCAL) as presented with the adopted changes becoming effective immediately. by Ben Segler seconded by Joe Grace. Unanimous approval 7-0.
6. **Discussion and Consideration Sunshine Hill Solar, LLC: Initial review of the Application for Appraised Value Limitation on Qualified Property submitted pursuant to Texas Tax Code Chapter 313 by Sunshine Hill Solar, LLC and authorizing Superintendent to engage consultants for review of Application.**
Ryan Bennett, Sam Gregson, Eddy Perez and Chris Grammer presented the initial application for appraised value limitation on qualified property submitted pursuant to Texas Tax Code Chapter 313 by Sunshine Hill Solar, LLC as well as the financial impact on Electra ISD. Mr. West recommended approval of the initial application as presented. Motion to authorize consideration of the Chapter 313 Application submitted by Sunshine Hill Solar, LLC and to authorize the Superintendent to engage Culwell Consulting, LLC as financial consultant and Walsh Gallegos Treviño Russo & Kyle as legal counsel for the purpose of processing the application, and authorize the Superintendent and consultants to proceed with action on the Application under District Policy CCGB (LOCAL) made by Shane Robey, seconded by Sherie Rondeau. Unanimous approval 7-0.
7. **Discussion and Consideration of amending Policy DEA (Local) related to Premium Pay During Disasters**
Laura Lee Brock presented changes to Policy DEA (Local) relating to premium pay during disasters. Motion to amend Policy DEA (Local) as presented by Ben Segler seconded by Joe Grace. Unanimous approval 7-0.
8. **Public Hearing – 2019-2020 Texas Academic Performance Report (TAPR)**
High School Principal, Dr Jim Russell, and Elementary Principal, Steven Wallace as well as Superintendent, Mr. West presented the Campus and District 2019-2020 TAPR Report.
9. **Discussion and Consideration related to amending the Current Grading Guidelines due to the COVID-19 Emergency School Closure**
Mr. West presented an amendment to the current grading guidelines for online learning for the period of April 6 - May 22, 2020 due to the emergency school closure. Motion to amend the current grading guidelines as presented by Kayla Swenson, seconded by Veronica Kimbro. Unanimous approval 7-0.
10. **Discussion and Consideration of Allotment and TEKS Certification for 2020-2021**
Mr. West presented the allotment and TEKS certification for 2020-2021. Motion to approve the allotment and TEKS Certification for 2020-2021 as presented by Ben Segler, seconded by Shane Robey. Unanimous approval 7-0.

11. **Superintendent's Report**
 - 11.1 Teacher Stipend for Internet Access Reimbursement
 - 11.2 Next Regular Board Meeting – May 18, 2020
 - 11.3 Principal Reports - Dr. Russell and Mr. Wallace gave reports for activities

12. **Closed Session – 8:13 pm.**
 - 12.1 Personnel –
 - 12.2. Real Property
 - 12.2.1 – Discussion and Consideration – Fees/Contracts
 - 12.3 Consultation with legal counsel regarding legal issues pertaining to possible Applications for Appraised Value Limitation under Chapter 313 of the Texas Tax Code and to deliberate the offer of a financial incentive to a business prospect

Closed session ended, and regular session reconvened at 9:24 pm.

13. **Closed Session Action:**
No Action

14. **Adjournment – 9:26 pm.**
There was no further business for the Board consideration and meeting adjourned.

Marty McCain, President

Ben Segler, Secretary