

Minutes of Regular Meeting

The Board of Trustees Alpine ISD

A Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees of Alpine ISD was held on Wednesday, November 16, 2022, beginning at 5:30 PM in the Alpine ISD Administration Building, Board Room.

I. Call Meeting to Order

Board President Eddie Natera called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

Members Present: Haley Babb, Mary McCallister, Joe Portillo, and Board President, Eddie Natera

Members Absent: Nikki Ahrens, Adrian Billings, and Jimmy Morris,

Others Present: Michelle Rinehart, Superintendent of Schools

II. Invocation

III. Pledges of Allegiance to the Flags

IV. Verification of Compliance with the Open Meetings Law. This is to verify that the provisions of Texas Government Code, Chapter 551.041 in connection with public posting of meeting notice was met on November 11, 2022 at 3:30 p.m.

V. Open Forum - Public Comment None

VI. Construction Updates (Goals 1, 2, 4)

A. Alpine ISD – Dr. Rinehart

Progress being made on punch lists. Mid to late December there will be another walk-through for punch lists. Portable for DAEP should be ready by December 1st. Still working on options for floor repairs. Plumbing issues will be addressed over the Christmas break. Working on roofing issues. Mr. Vickers told board membes that anything he has noticed that needs to be addressed is generally already on Imperial's radar and being taken care of. Landscape proposals are being addressed. Grass won't be planted until March. Discussed options for irrigation systems. Options for landscaping and parking for the area east of the gym, extending to the south parking lot, were also discussed.

B. Imperial Construction – Eddie Bauer

Reported on concrete, masonry, fencing around courtyard, progress on punch list, and metal panels. Hopes to be completed by January, 2023/

C. Parkhill – Les Burke

Reported on courtyard, fencing, and sidewalks. Has been monitoring the punch lists. Discussed the roofing issue. Said they are still working to find someone who will honor the warranty.

VII. Campus Principal Reports (Goal 1)

A. Alpine Elementary School – Curtis Wubbena

Continuing to work on changing the culture. Requires collaborative environment. Excellent collaborative communication is taking place across grade levels, and with the Middle School campus. Discussed examples of how it is working.

B. Alpine Middle School – Judith Pardo-Alferez

Including teachers in planning and implementing strategies towards goals and objectives. Teachers have been attending training sessions. Discussed new student activities, such as development of a chess club.

C. Alpine High School – Jarrett Vikes

Discussed teacher training sessions being attended. Reviewed upcoming activities. Guest speaker is scheduled for 1/25/2023 for an anti-vaping presentation. Has been reviewing staff survey results. Some solution will be quick fixes, but some will require long-range plans. Discussed student activities.

VIII. Reports (Goal 2)

A. Chief Financial Officer

1. Monthly Report

Clay Braden, CFO, reviewed the tax collections and financials for the month of October, 2022

2. Discussion of Financial Topics

Mr. Braden provided board members with information on trophy cases for the high school. He met with Nate Harris of Custom Woodworks of Alpine. Mr. Harris submitted a quote in the amount of \$51,000 for the trophy cases. These would be constructed of solid wood, and would be completely installed. Action on this will be addressed at a later board meeting.

IX. Consideration of Budget Amendments (Goal 2)

Mr. Braden explained the need for the budget amendment in the amount of \$3,051.59 to allocate funds donated for the purchase of a laminator for the Elementary School. Funds were donated by Trans-Pecos Bank and West Texas National Bank.

A motion was made by Mary McCallister, seconded by Joe Portillo, to approve the budget amendment for Elementary School Supplies in the amount of \$3,051.59, as presented. (copy attached)

Motion carried – 4 – 0

X. Consent Items

A. Board Minutes of Previous Meetings (Goal 3)

1. October 19, 2022 - Regular Meeting

B. District Expenditures for Month of October, 2022 (Goal 2)

A motion was made by Mary McCallister , seconded by Haley Babb, to approve the consent items, as presented.

Motion carried – 4 – 0

XI. Review and Consideration of Action to Authorize a One-Time Annual Payment per District compensation Plan (Goal 2)

Superintendent Rinehart, and CFO Clay Braden proposed a one-time annual payment for all full-time and part-time employees, per the District Compensation Plan. The proposal is for \$1,000 for full-time employees, and \$500 for part-time employees. Mr. Braden told board members that the funds have already been included in the budget, pending board approval.

A motion was made by Mary McCallister, seconded by Joe Portillo, to approve a one-time annual payment per District Compensation Plan in the amounts of \$1,000 for full-time employees, and \$500 for part-time employees.

Motion carried – 4 – 0

XII. Superintendent Report (Goal 1, 2, 3, 4)

A. Enrollment Report

Dr. Rinehart reviewed enrollment numbers. The total enrollment for the district stands at 953, with 377 at the Elementary, 268 at the Middle School and 308 at the High School. She told board members that the district took a hit

on ADA, due to illnesses, but it has improved to 90% to 93%, and is climbing towards 95%.

B. Updates on District Goals

Dr. Rinehart reviewed progress on goals and objectives for the District. Additionally, she discussed grant opportunities the District will be applying for, as well as new funds from the State for implementation of updated safety standards.

C. Safety and Security Updates

Dr. Rinehart discussed new minimum safety standards being released by the State.

In closing her report, Dr. Rinehart recognized Roxanne Hill for her work as a reporter for the Alpine Avalanche. Ms. Hill will be leaving the Avalanche. Dr. Rinehart presented her with a floral bouquet and thanked her for the support she has given to Alpine ISD through her articles.

XIII. Closed Session - Pursuant to Texas Gov't Code Section 551.072 & Section 551.074

The Board adjourned to executive session at 6:38 p.m.

A. Personnel - Hear and Deliberate Regarding Superintendent Recommendations for Personnel. Texas Gov't Code Section 551.074 (Goal 1)

- 1. Employee Resignations or Retirements**
- 2. Superintendent Recommendations for Employee Contracts for 2022-2023**

B. Safety and Security Update

- 1. Intruder Detection Audit Report for Alpine HS on 9/26/2022**

XIV. Open Session - Consider and Take Possible Action on Closed Session Deliberations

The Board reconvened in open session, at 7:16 p.m., taking action on Closed session deliberations as indicated below.

A. Consider and Take Possible Action Regarding Personnel. Texas Gov't Code Section 551.074 (Goal 1)

- 1. Employee Resignations or Retirements - None**

2. Superintendent Recommendations for Employee Contracts for 2022-2023 - None

XV. Schedule Future Meetings

- Wednesday, December 21, 2022 at 5:30 p.m. – Alpine ISD Administration Building Board Room, Regular Meeting

XVI. Adjournment


There being no further business to come before the Board, a motion was made by Mary McCallister, seconded by Joe Portillo, to adjourn the meeting at 7:17 p.m.

Motion carried – 4 – 0

*The Board may retire to executive session at any time between the meeting's opening and adjournment for purposes of deliberating business as authorized in Texas Government Code, Title 5, Subchapter D, Sections 551.071-551.074 and 551.076. Action, if any, will be taken in open session. (Texas Government Code Chapter 551.102)



Board President




Board Secretary

Date of Approval: December 21, 2022

ALPINE INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT
 PROPOSED BUDGET AMENDMENT
 Wednesday, November 16, 2022

| ACCOUNT NAME | ACCOUNT # | 2022-2023 BUDGET | AMEND TO | INCREASE (DECREASE) |
|-------------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------|--------------|------------------------|
| LOCAL MAINTNANCE - 199 | | | | |
| MISC LOCAL REVENUE | 199-00-5749-00-000-300000 | \$ 19,378.00 | \$ 22,429.59 | \$ 3,051.59 |
| LOCAL MAINTNANCE - 199 | | | | |
| ES SUPPLIES | 199-11-6399-00-101-311098 | \$ 24,728.00 | \$ 27,779.59 | \$ 3,051.59 |

CHANGE OF FUND BALANCE \$ -


 BOARD APPROVAL 11-16-2022
 DATE


 SECRETARY
 Vice President 11/16/22
 DATE

 SUPERINTENDENT APPROVAL DATE

 BUSINESS OFFICE APPROVAL DATE
