

**OFFICIAL MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
BRADY INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT**

The Board of Trustees for the Brady Independent School District met in regular session at 6:00 p.m. on Monday, August 15, 2016 in the school administration building. The meeting was called to order by President Brentt Raybion at 6:00 p.m.

**PRESENT** Sandra Keith, Ed Hernandez, Michael Probst, Fernando Lafuente, Teri Trull, Connie Locklear, and Brentt Raybion

**ABSENT** No one

**PLEDGE & PRAYER** Johnny Clawson, Superintendent

**APPLICATION OF RATTLESNAKE WIND-MOAK CASEY & ASSOCIATES**

Terry Smith representing Powell & Leon, LLP and Brandon Westlake representing Rattlesnake Power, LLC explained that due to the sale of Rattlesnake Power, LLC to Gold Wind Americas out of Chicago the previous application approved by the district must be amended, approved again by the district and submitted to the Comptroller's Office for approval. The application is asking for a one-year delay for the date of limitation start date which will now be the 2018-2019 school year. The total number of turbines that will be located in the district is 52 along with a substation and office. The project should be fully constructed and operational the end of the 2017-2018 school year. Due to the one-year delay revenue on the I&S side will not be seen as soon as anticipated. Therefore, the district will receive an additional year of supplemental pay of the \$100 per student. The district is not responsible for any of the expense, legal fees, or miscellaneous fees for the amendment to the application. A motion was made by Ms. Locklear, seconded by Mr. Probst and carried 6-1 to accept the Amended Application of Rattlesnake Power, LLC for an Appraised Value Limitation on Qualified Property for Scholl District Maintenance and Operations Taxes; to authorize the Superintendent to review the Application for completeness and submit to the Comptroller; and to authorize the Superintendent to enter into any agreement to extend the deadline for Board action beyond the 150 days subject to Board ratification per recommendation by Mr. Clawson. Mr. Hernandez opposed the motion.

**DISCUSSION & POSSIBLE ACTION TO RETAIN A LAW FIRM AND CONSULTANTS TO ASSIST THE DISTRICT IN PROCESSING THE AMENDED APPLICATION FOR AN APPRAISED VALUE LIMITATION ON QUALIFIED PROPERTY FOR SCHOOL DISTRICT MAINTENANCE AND OPERATIONS TAXES FROM RATTLESNAKE POWER, LLC**

Mr. Clawson explained the firm of Powell & Leon, LLP have been handling the legal aspect of the project on behalf of the district and recommends the district continue to use Powell and Leon. A motion was made by Mr. Probst, seconded by Mr. Lafuente and carried 7-0 to retain the law firm of Powell & Leon, LLP and the consulting firm of Jigsaw Consulting to assist the District in processing the Amended Application

for an Appraised Value Limitation on Qualified Property for School District Maintenance and Operations Taxes from Rattlesnake Power, LLC.

**AWARDS & RECOGNITION**

No awards or recognition presented

**PUBLIC FORUM**

Kolton Baronet spoke regarding the 2016-2017 school year dress code. Dawn Mork spoke regarding the 2016-2017 school year dress code..

**ACTION ITEMS**

**Approve Minutes**

A motion was made by Ms. Locklear, seconded by Mr. Hernandez and carried 7-0 to approve the minutes from the July 18, 2016 regular meeting with the correction of the August 31 Budget Hearing. The hearing will begin at 2:30 p.m. not 12:00 noon.

A motion was made by Ms. Trull, seconded by Mr. Lafuente and carried 7-0 to approve the minutes from the August 1, 2016 meeting.

**Budget Amendments**

A motion was made by Ms. Trull, seconded by Ms. Keith and carried 7-0 to approve the following budget amendments.

To record a donation from Ol' Houn' Dawgs, Inc. for \$3,559.95 for supplies:

199-00-5744	Increase Estimated Revenue-Donation	\$3,559.95
199-36-6xxx	Increase Appropriations Supply	\$3,559.95

To record a donation from BMS PATS for \$2,584.82 for supplies:

199-00-5744	Increase Estimated Revenue-Donation	\$2,584.82
199-11-6399	Increase Appropriations Supply	\$2,584.82

To record a donation from Brady Band Boosters for \$204.00 for supplies:

199-00-5744	Increase Estimated Revenue-Donation	\$204.00
199-11-6399	Increase Appropriation	\$204.00

To record a donation from Brady Band Boosters for \$1,900 for supplies:

199-00-5755	Increase Estimated Revenue-Band	\$1,900.00
199-36-6399	Increase Appropriations-T-Shirts	\$1,900.00

**Approve T-TESS 2016-2017 Certified Teacher Appraiser**

A motion was made by Mr. Probst, seconded by Mr. Hernandez and carried 7-0 to approve Hollis Moore as a certified teacher appraiser for the 2016-2017 school year.

**Adopt TASB Update 105**

A motion was made by Ms. Trull, seconded by Ms. Locklear and carried 7-0 to approve the TASB Update 105 affecting local policies.

BJCF(LOCAL): Superintendent -Nonrenewal

BQ(LOCAL): Planning and Decision Making Process

CLB(LOCAL): Buildings, Grounds and Equipment Management - Maintenance

CLE(LOCAL): Buildings, Grounds, and Equipment Management – Flag Displays

CPC(LOCAL): Office Management – Records Management

DBA(LOCAL): Employment Requirements and Restrictions – Credentials and Records  
DFBB(LOCAL): Term Contracts - Nonrenewal  
DFFA(LOCAL): Reduction in Force - Financial Exigency  
DFFB(LOCAL): Reduction in Force – Program Change  
EHBD(LOCAL): Special Programs – Federal Title I  
FDC(LOCAL): Admissions-Homeless Students

**Adopt Proposed  
M&O/I&S Tax  
Rate for  
2016-2017 School  
Year**

Barbara Landry, Business Manager reported the proposed M&O tax rate is \$1.04 per \$100 tax value which is the same as last year. The proposed I&S tax rate is \$0.323356 per \$100 tax value. The I&S tax rate is up from last year by 1.81 cents. Ms. Landry explained next year’s budget is balanced but there is a possibility that funds will need to be transferred from the Fund Balance to operations. Most of the cuts that were made to balance the budget were in salaries. The Maintenance Director, Assistant Maintenance Director and the Transportation Director by new state requirements must be paid a certain amount each week. This resulted in a pay raise and to offset the difference money was taken from the maintenance and transportation supply accounts and added to salaries. The food service and debt service budget is balanced. A motion was made by Mr. Probst, seconded by Ms. Trull and carried 7-0 to adopt the proposed Maintenance & Operation tax rate of \$1.04 per \$100 tax value for the 2016-2017 school year. A motion was made by Mr. Probst, seconded by Ms. Keith and carried 7-0 to adopt the proposed Interest & Sinking tax rate of \$0.323356 per \$100 tax value for the 2016-2017 school year.

**NEW BUSINESS/DISCUSSION**                      No new business discussed.

**DISTRICT REPORTS**

**TAPR Accountability**                      Hollis Moore, District Coordinator, reported the initial accountability rating has been received. The district as a whole and each campus met “Standard” which is good. The rating is based on student standardized test scores, student progress, etc.

**Monthly Finance**                      The financial report for the month of July is as follows.  
Cash    \$4,361,771.48                      CD’s & Savings                      \$3,716,273.51

**CAMPUS REPORTS**

**Food Service**                      Sheri Wheeler, Director, reported four new employees have been hired and they are in the process of being fingerprinted. The groceries are arriving. There will be some new items introduced to the menu.

**Brady Elementary**                      Angela Bierman, Principal, stated the staff is being trained for T-TESS evaluations. Team building continues. Pre-K numbers are low for this year.

**Middle School**                      Shona Moore, Principal, stated the staff is being trained for T-TESS evaluations. Goals are being set for the new school year. Wednesday, Aug. 17, class schedules can be picked up by the students-grade 6 at 5:30

and grades 7 and 8 at 6:30. She complimented the custodial and maintenance department for the work they did over the summer.

**High School**

Rusty Baldwin, Principal, reported 53 freshmen participated in the Fish Camp. He complimented Jill Mays, Counselor, for the organization of the camp. He also complimented the maintenance, custodial and the technology department for all that they do for the campus and how quickly problems are resolved.

**Athletics**

Chuck Lipsey, Athletic Director, also complimented the maintenance and custodial departments for all that they do for the athletes and coaches. As of right now there are 29-30 players on the varsity football team, 20 on JV and 20 on Freshman. Most of the schools the district is playing do not have a freshman team so there will be times that the JV and Freshman players will be combined. He gave an overview of the scrimmage at Cisco and announced the last scrimmage will be against Sonora this week. Media night will be this Friday and Meet the Bulldogs will be August 23.

**SUPERINTENDENT REPORT**

**Correspondence**

Family of Clifton DeTiege, Travis Scott, and Alex Sanchez Reminded the members of the TASA/TASB Convention in Houston in September

**BNB Safety Deposit Box Inventory**

He and Teresa Lawrence inventoried the safety deposit box at Brady National Bank and all contents were accounted for.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

The Board of Trustees went into executive session at 7:11 p.m. after President Brentt Raybion announced the intention of doing so in accordance with Texas Government Code, Subchapter D., Section 551.074 regarding personnel issues, Section 551.072 regarding real property, and Section 551.071 regarding legal matters.

Mr. Raybion declared the session open at 8:50 p.m.

**APPROVE NEW HIRE-BE**

A motion was made by Ms. Locklear, seconded by Ms. Trull and carried 7-0 to employ with a probationary contract **Jennifer Wofford** as an elementary teacher subject to assignment for the 2016-2017 school year per recommendation by Mr. Clawson.

**ADJOURN**

A motion was made by Ms. Trull, seconded by Mr. Hernandez and carried 7-0 to adjourn the meeting at 8:51 p.m.