

**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, July 26, 2021, in the school administration building. The meeting was called to order by President Eric Bierman at 6:00 p.m.

PRESENT Connie Locklear, Michael Cook, Channing Booker, and Eric Bierman

ABSENT Reed Williams, Cayce Raybion, and SMD 7 remains vacant

**PLEDGE &
PRAYER** Mr. Bierman

PUBLIC FORUM No one spoke

ACTION ITEMS

Approve Minutes Mr. Cook moved to approve the minutes from the June 21, 2021 special meeting and the June 21, 2021 regular meeting, seconded by Ms. Locklear and the motion carried 4-0.

**Budget
Amendments** Mr. Booker moved to approve the budget amendments as presented by Barbara Landry, Business Manager, seconded by Mr. Cook and the motion carried 4-0.

Fund 199 Operating

**To record an insurance payment from TASB for water damage
incurred during the freeze:**

199-00-5745	Increase Est Rev-Insurance Payment	\$124,216.29
199-51-6xxx	Inc Appropriation-Severe weather damage	\$124,216.29

**Quarterly
Investment Report** Ms. Locklear moved to approve the Quarterly Investment Report ending June 30, 2021 as presented by Ms. Landry, seconded by Mr. Booker and the motion carried 4-0.

**2021 Attorney
Agreement-
Chapter 313** Mr. Cook moved to enter into the 2021 Engagement Agreement with Powell Law Group as the district's attorney and finance consultant under Chapter 313 of the Texas Tax Code per recommendation by Hector Martinez, Superintendent, seconded by Ms. Locklear and the motion carried 4-0.

**Approve Retainer
Agreement for
Legal Services** Dr. Martinez recommended the district retain Walsh Gallegos for legal services for the upcoming year. The firm charges a retainer fee of \$1,000 per year and they have done an outstanding job for the district this past year. Ms. Locklear moved to approve the retainer agreement for legal services with Walsh Gallegos per recommendation by Dr. Martinez, seconded by Mr. Cook and the motion carried 4-0.

Increase Food Service Meal Prices for 21-22 Dr. Martinez reported the changes in the meal prices for 21-22 based upon USDA guidelines. All students will receive one free breakfast with an additional breakfast costing \$2.10. All students will receive one free lunch per day. The only change to the adult meals is the lunch which will increase from \$4 to \$4.25. Mr. Booker moved to approve the increase in the Food Service meal prices for 21-22 school year per recommendation by Dr. Martinez, seconded by Mr. Cook and the motion carried 4-0.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

McCulloch Co. Appraisal Dist. 2022 Proposed Budget Dr. Martinez stated overall there is not a large increase in any area of the proposed budget. Because the district is a taxing entity the board is given the opportunity to review the proposed budget each year.

First Reading-TASB Update 117 Dr. Martinez explained the TASB update consists of both legal and local policies. The local policies are created for each individual district therefore the district can make any changes to local policy at any time. He asked that the local policies in the update be reviewed and should anyone have a question to please contact him prior to the next board meeting. The local policies to be updated are as follows.

- CH Purchasing & Acquisition
- CV Facilities Construction
- DEC Compensation & Benefits: Leaves & Absences

DISTRICT REPORTS

Monthly Finance The financial report for the month of June is as follows.
Cash \$6,500,907.89 CD & Savings \$3,518,896.97

State Assessment Update (STAAR) Dr. Martinez presented a chart in which administrators can track classes of students from year to year evaluating how each class performed in the STAAR testing. This will also help administrators see what grade level might be struggling in specific areas. Richard Sweaney, Asst. Superintendent, gave a comparison of the district's STAAR testing results to the state and region average percentages of students that "approached grade level, met grade level, or exceeded grade level" in each testing subject and grade. The district was above the state and region percentages in the majority of subjects and grade levels.

SUPERINTENDENT REPORT

ESSER III Funds The district has applied for the ESSER III grant.

ESSER II Funds There will be a meeting on the 28th to begin writing and creating funding procedures. There is another grant through the state the district is interested in. All grants have strings attached which can limit the use of grant money.

Construction Update

Due to the rain the paving at both the elementary and high school has been delayed. The rest of the construction is complete. The classrooms damaged from the winter freeze have been repaired and are ready for the school year. There are a few minor repairs in the hallway but will not inhibit the start of school.

District Employee Convocation

There will be a breakfast for all staff of the district to start the school year Wednesday, August 11 beginning at 8:30 a.m. in the Middle School Cafeteria.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

The Board of Trustees went into executive session at 6:43 p.m. after President Eric Bierman announced the intention of doing so in accordance with Texas Government Code, Subchapter D., Section 551.074 regarding personnel issues.

Mr. Bierman declared the session open at 7:50 p.m.

No action taken.

ADJOURN

Mr. Cook moved the meeting be adjourned at 7:51 p.m., seconded by Mr. Booker and the motion carried 4-0.

Board President

Board Secretary