# TIOGA INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF EDUCATION

#### **REGULAR SCHOOL BOARD MEETING - MINUTES**

## January 22, 2024 7:00 p.m. Tioga Secondary Campus Library

- I. Meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM by Board President, Stacy Price. Members Present: Stacy Price, Dallas, Slay, Ryan Walters, Dugan Rainey, Brandon Miller, Mica Bates & Trina Colteryahn. Also present: TEA Conservator, Karen Wiesman, Superintendent, Josh Ballinger, Principals, Keith Kirkland and Jana Hansen
- II. Invocation and Pledge were led by Dugan Rainey
- III. Open Forum for Public Comments None
- IV. January is School Board Appreciation Month so Board Members were presented with gift baskets from students and staff. Also, a Board Appreciation video created by Tioga High School students was shown.

### V. Superintendent's Report

- A. TASB Insurance Visit to Closed Elementary Hallway & New Roof Claim at HS Mr. Ballinger gave an update on the TASB insurance claims for the closed Elementary hallway and the new roof claim at the High School. Adjuster visited and walked both campuses for 4+ hours. Adjuster will rework claims and hope to be able to cover more damage. We requested to reopen previous claims for roof to tie back to events from back in May for the mold/mildew issues.
- B. Severe weather update provided and status given on water main problems causing loss of water at high school. Pressure boosting pumps are bypassed and campus is currently operating off of city water pressure without any problems.
- C. Monthly Safety & Security Report Campus security goes above and beyond each day ensuring students and staff are safe. AED Drills held today for staff training.

## VI. District Updates

- A. Middle/High School Mr. Kirkland advised currently 117 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> graders, 231 high school students and attendance rates have dipped, mostly due to Senior's absences. Early Spring extracurricular activities are very busy: FFA Shows, UIL academic competitions and HS Cheer State Competition. College Signing Day coming up on February 7<sup>th</sup> for three of our students: Justice Babbitt, Hayden Hilliard and Jonah Grubbs. Interim testing results are completed and teachers are working on intervention and remediation using our Monday's for extra tutoring.
- B. Elementary Mrs. Hansen advised there are currently 342 Pre-K through 6<sup>th</sup> grade with a 96% attendance rate. Parent/Teacher conferences are taking place and plans are being made for Open House on March 7th. Tomorrow will be the UIL Award Ceremony.
  Upcoming Events: February 3<sup>rd</sup> FFA Dinner and Auction / February 10<sup>th</sup> Daddy/Daughter Dance / February 17<sup>th</sup> PTO Gala

## VII. Discussion and/or Action Items

- A. Public hearing of the Texas Academic Performance Reports (TAPR) from school year 2022-23 Mr. Ballinger presented the report and discussed specific areas
- B. Finance, Lone Star Gov. Date, Audit/PEIMS Match update provided by TEA Conservator, Dr. Karen Wiesman New Board Finance reports were provided and discussed. Next month an update of the Summary of Finance will be provided.
- C. Discussion regarding the three HVAC Preventative Maintenance proposals received for District Facilities. Motion was made by Trina Colteryahn to accept the one-year contract from Spectrum Heat & Air/Construction Services. Motion was seconded by Dallas Slay. The motion passed (6-0). Mica Bates abstained.
- D. Motion was made by Trina Colteryahn to call a School Board election on May 4, 2024 for Tioga ISD Board Member(s): Seat 2 (Dallas Slay), Seat 5 (Dugan Rainey) and Seat 6 (Stacy Price). Motion was seconded by Mica Bates. The motion carried unanimously. (7-0)

- E. The consideration was tabled until next month regarding the contract with Grayson County Elections for a school board member election to be held jointly with the City of Tioga on May 4, 2024 with a split cost for each entity until more information was available.
- F. Reviewed Grayson Central Appraisal District Updated Budget Allocation to Tioga ISD & New Board. Tioga ISD Votes went to Charlie Williams.
- G. Motion was made by Ryan Walters and seconded by Dallas Slay to approve the 2023 Tax Roll Values from the Grayson Tax Assessor Collector's Office. The motion passed unanimously. (7-0)
- H. Mr. Ballinger provided a review of the Texas Municipal Report for Tioga ISD and the Tioga ISD Public Facility Corporation
- Discussion regarding Restructure/Refinance Options for 2019 Lease Revenue Bonds presented by Stifel Financial / David Webb, Financial Advisor. District has until February 16<sup>th</sup> to call a bond election for May 4<sup>th</sup>, 2024.
  - TEA Commissioner said the district must call for a bond election as part of the steps to correcting the financial issues. The district needs to move the High School Lease Purchase Bonds from M&O to the I&S Debt Service and ask voters for a dollar figure that will require an increase on the I&S Rate for all or part of the 14 cents that are available on the I&S rate up to the 50 cent maximum.
- J. Discussion regarding the District Calendar Survey Results for 2024-25 from Community & Staff. The District of Innovation has narrowed it down to two calendar options that will be presented to staff and stakeholders 1) ending on school on June 6<sup>th</sup> and 2) ending school on June 20<sup>th</sup>. The results will be provided at the February 19<sup>th</sup> board meeting.
- K. Motion was made by Dallas Slay and seconded by Trina Colteryahn to approve with a single motion the December check payments, bank financial reports, tax collections report and minutes from the previous meeting. The motion passed unanimously. (7-0)

#### VIII. Open Forum for Public Comments - None

At 9:19 PM the Board moved into Executive Session

#### IX. Executive Session

Executive Session: If during the course of the meeting covered by this agenda the Board of Trustees should determine that a closed or executive meeting or session of the Board of Trustees is required, then such closed or executive meeting or session as authorized by the Texas Open Meetings Act, Texas Government Code Section 551.071

- A. Ex-Employee/Personnel Pending lawsuit against Tioga ISD from School Year 2021-22
- B. Real Property Deliberations as it relates to the Refunding of 2019 Lease Revenue Bonds
- C. Superintendent's Annual Evaluation for the last Calendar Year

At 10:31 PM the Board reconvened into Open Session

- X. Action Regarding Matters Discussed in Executive Session None
- XI. Motion was made by Trina Colteryahn to adjourn the meeting and seconded by Dallas Slay. The motion passed unanimously. (7-0) Meeting adjourned at 10:32 PM

Stacy Price, Board President

Ryan Walters, Board Secretary