# **Spring Independent School District**

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# BOARD OF TRUSTEES SPECIAL CALLED SESSION 6:00 PM, MAY 28, 2020 VIDEO CONFERENCE

#### **MINUTES**

#### I. Call to Order (6:02 PM)

President Rhonda Newhouse called the video conference Special Called Session of the Spring Independent School District Board of Trustees to order at 6:02 PM on May 28, 2020, in accordance with Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code.

#### **Members Present:**

Rhonda Newhouse, President Dr. Deborah Jensen, Vice President Donald Davis, Secretary Winford Adams, Jr., Assistant Secretary Justine Durant Jana Gonzales Kelly Hodges

#### **Members Absent:**

#### Others Present:

Rodney Watson, Superintendent of Schools
Ken Culbreath, Chief of Police
Julie Hill, Chief of Staff
Lupita Hinojosa, Chief of School Leadership and Student Support Services
Khechara Bradford, Chief of Curriculum and Instruction
Mark Miranda, Chief Operations Officer
Deeone McKeithan, Chief Human Resources Officer
Ann Westbrooks, Chief Financial Officer
Tiffany Dunne-Oldfield, Chief Communications Officer
Jeremy Binkley, General Counsel
Jason Sheffer, Director of Board Services

## II. Opening Remarks (6:05 PM)

A. Superintendent of Schools Superintendent Dr. Rodney Watson highlighted the work being done to continue student learning since the District closure due to COVID-19.

### III. Summer School Update (6:07 PM)

Melissa Tejada, a third grade teacher from Beneke Elementary School, presented the Board with Empowered Learning At-Home examples and how the District is continuing remote learning for students.

Chief Khechara Bradford and Chief Mark Miranda presented the Board with information regarding the 2020 Summer Learning Plan. The proposed plan includes two summer

session dates. Session 1 will be June 10-30 and Session 2 will be, July 7-28. Both sessions include an AM and PM session.

## IV. Fall 2020-2021 Update (7:03 PM)

Chief Dunne-Oldfield presented the Board with information on matters relating to the 2020-2021 school year, including the instructional program.

Chief Julie Hill and Chief Lupita Hinojosa presented information regarding possible modifications to the instructional calendar due to COVID-19.

Trustee Adams moved that the Board of Trustees approve the revised 2020-2021 Instructional Calendar as recommended by the administration. Trustee Hodges seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

## V. Closed Session (7:52 PM)

There was no Closed Session.

- A. Under Section 551.071 For the purpose of a private consultation with the Board's attorney on any or all subjects or matters authorized, including any item posted on this agenda
- B. Under Section 551.072 For the purpose of discussing the purchase, exchange, lease, or value of real property
- C. Under Section 551.074 For the purpose of considering the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline, or dismissal of a public officer or employee or to hear complaints or charges against a public officer or employee
  - 1. The Board will deliberate regarding the Superintendent's evaluation
  - 2. The Board will deliberate on employees nominated for special recognition
  - 3. The Board will deliberate on a recommendation for the termination and finding of no good cause for an employee's abandonment of contract
  - 4. The Board will deliberate on the issuance of school district teaching permits for noncore career and technology courses
  - 5. The Board will deliberate on employee resignations, recommendations to withdraw prior actions taken, recommendations to void employee contracts, recommendations for the proposed termination of employees on probationary and/or term contracts, recommendations for the proposed nonrenewal of employees on term contracts, recommendations for termination at the end of the year for employees on probationary contracts, and final orders for employees on term and probationary contracts previously proposed for termination and/or nonrenewal
  - The Board will deliberate on recommendations for the proposed termination of employees on probationary contracts and nonrenewal of employees on term contracts, effective at the end of the contract period
- D. Under Section 551.076 To consider the deployment, or specific occasions for implementation, of security personnel or devices

### VI. Action on Closed Session Items (7:52 PM)

The Board took no action.

## VII. Adjournment (7:54 PM)

On a motion by Trustee Durant, seconded by Trustee Hodges, the Board unanimously adjourned the meeting at 7:54 PM.

Rhonda R. Newhouse, President

Donald Davis, Secretary