

## Board Summary from the Regular May 12, 2014 Meeting

The Pine Tree Independent School District Board of Trustees met in Regular session at 5:45 p.m. on May 12, 2014 in the Pine Tree ISD Administration Building Boardroom located at 1701 Pine Tree Road, Longview, Texas.

President Charley Peck called the meeting to order. Members present included Charley Peck, president; Pat Noon, secretary; Kerri Daugbjerg, Terre Dunn, Dr. Craig Meek, Will Adamson, and Dr. TJ Farler, Superintendent. Cynthia Hellen, vice-president, arrived at 5:48 pm and left at 10:27 pm.

Other administrators present were James Skeeler, Tony Hollins, Judy Downing, Dr. Daya Hill, Cindy Gabehart, Vanessa Robinson, Lara Cavin, Dr. Carla McAvoy, Melinda Tidwell, Becky Balboa, Buster Turner, Jon Pollard, Debbie Terry, David Collins, Mary Whitton, Terri Werth, Dr. Quentin Woods, Carmen Dowdy, Crista Black, Suzanne Shackelford, Tony Tipton, and Deanna Turner. Pat Noon gave the invocation.

Students from the elementary school led the pledges to the United States Flag and the Texas State Flag. The following student and staff groups were recognized: Elementary School students performed a Cinco de Mayo dance, Middle School Region VII winners for Innovative Inventions and S.O.S. (Save Our Soil), JH 7<sup>th</sup> grade Duke Scholars, HS DECA State and International Qualifiers, HS Boys' (Regional Semi-Finalist) and Girls' (Area Champs) Soccer teams, HS Regional Track & Field Qualifiers, HS Boys' and Girls' Golf Regional Qualifiers, and District 2014 Retirees. Dr. Farler, Superintendent, presented Above and Beyond Awards to Jennifer Schroeder, Melissa Burda, and Suzanne Shackelford for their leadership in the Cancer Relay for Life.

Dr. Farler, Superintendent, discussed the invitation from Texas Association of School Boards (TASB) for our school board to submit a resolution to be included in the 2014-16 Advocacy Agenda. She also introduced members of the Masonic Lodge who would like permission to lay a cornerstone at Pirate Stadium.

Assistant Superintendent James Skeeler presented the current enrollment, attendance percentages, and campus class counts. Assistant Superintendent Dr. Daya Hill reviewed the results of the curriculum based assessments and STAAR results, and introduced members of the technology group who updated the board on district technology. Tony Hollins, Director of Facility Services, updated the board members on the 2011 Bond projects and the middle school repairs.

James Skeeler, Assistant Superintendent, and Judy Downing, Chief Financial Officer provided more information pertaining to free breakfast cost projections for the 2014-15 school year.

## **Action Items Voted on:**

- Approved second reading of FDA(LOCAL) policy Admissions Interdistrict Transfers
- Approved the bid of \$73,057.52 from K-K Mobbs Construction for sidewalks with lights at Pirate Stadium
- Approved the proposal of \$72,731.00 from Texas Student Resources Mutual of Omaha for student activity insurance for the 2014-15 school year.

- Approved Financial Report as presented:
  - April disbursements
  - o Supplements and Deletions to the tax roll
  - o Tax refunds over \$500
  - o Budget Amendments
  - o Purchase Order over \$25,000
- Approved Consent Action Items
  - o **Board Minutes** from the April 14, 2014 Board of Trustees meeting
  - District Contracts and Agreements

**ASE STUDENT CERTIFICATION** – This agreement allows the district to administer exams on the campus for automotive, light truck, small engine and brakes. These certificates will allow our students to compete for jobs after exiting high school. This is under legal review. Authorize Dr. Teresa J. Farler to execute the agreement after legal review.

**FAMILY AND CONSUMER SERVICES** – This agreement allows the district to administer examinations for certification to our Education Practicum students. This is under legal review. Authorize Dr. Teresa J. Farler to execute the agreement after legal review.

**APPLE DEVICE DEPLOYMENT** – This will allow the district to deploy and manage apps for our student iPads. The district will be able to push out apps to the devices and when the teacher wants to change the app and use a different one, the district can pull that app back and push out the new app. This also allows us to take the apps off the iPad once we turn the iPad back into Apple. This is under legal review. Authorize online completion of this agreement after legal review.

**BALFOUR** – These agreements are to publish the yearbooks for the primary, elementary, intermediate, middle school and junior high campuses. This is under legal review. Authorize Dr. Teresa J. Farler to execute the agreements after legal review.

**CERTIPORT** – This agreement will allow the district to test our students for Microsoft or Adobe applications. This agreement is under legal review. Authorize Dr. Teresa J. Farler to execute the agreement after legal review.

**FLIPPEN GROUP** – This agreement is to provide training to administrators, teachers, and instructional coaches in Designing Engaging Student Work/Lesson Planning. This training will be in PTISD and encompass all campuses. The training dates are August 14 and 15. This is under legal review. Authorize Dr. Teresa J. Farler to execute the agreement after review.

**GODADDY.COM** –This agreement allows us to apply for our SSL license for our Skyward server. This agreement is under legal review. Authorize completion of application after legal review.

**CITY OF LONGVIEW POLICE DEPARTMENT** – This agreement provides school crossing guards for the upcoming 2014/2015 school year. This is under legal review. Authorize Dr. Teresa J. Farler to execute the agreement after legal review.

**MARABIZ, LLC** – This agreement provides transition services for special education students at the junior high and high school from September 2014 through May 2015. Authorize Dr. Teresa J. Farler to execute the agreement.

**PANOLA COLLEGE** – This agreement allows Panola College Occupational Therapy Assistants to be provided the opportunity to receive a sixteen-week or a two-month long period of fieldwork or internship experience in occupation therapy at our district. This is under legal review. Authorize Dr. Teresa J. Farler to execute the agreement after review.

## **District Contracts and/or Agreements – continued:**

**CITY OF LONGVIEW** – This agreement provides the district with two resource officers for the 2014/2015 school year. This is under legal review. Authorize Dr. Teresa J. Farler to execute the agreement after legal review.

**THE SUMMIT CLUB** – This facility rental is for the leadership retreat to be held July 29 and 30, 2014. This is under legal review. Authorize Dr. Teresa J. Farler to execute the agreement after legal review.

**UNIVERSITY OF LOUISIANA** – This contract represents the services to be provided at the annual band camp held at the University of Louisiana, Monroe. This camp will be held July 30, 2014 through August 2, 2014. This is the third year we participated in this camp and each year the boosters have paid for the camp. This is under legal review. Authorize Dr. Teresa J. Farler to execute the contract after legal review.

**ELIZABETH MARTIN, LITERACY CONSULTANT** – This agreement provides two days of staff development for reading. The dates the workshop will be held are August 18 and 19, 2014. Authorize Dr. Teresa J. Farler to execute the agreement.

**KILGORE COLLEGE** - This agreement provides cosmetology classes at Kilgore College for high school students for the 2014/2015 academic year. This is under legal review. Authorize Dr. Teresa J. Farler to execute the agreement.

- o **Donations** to the district this month are \$5,942.85
- Textbook Adoptions
- Second Reading of DEE(LOCAL) Policy
- Second Reading of GKD(LOCAL) Policy
- Approved hiring Nikita West as an at-will employee for 2013-14 school year. Approved hiring Amanda Bryant, Matthew Bryant, April Cabaniss, Thomas Carlisle, Kacey Cartwright, Hannah Creacy, Danielle Culver, Stacey Glosson, Jessie Hampton, Mitzie Willis Hedges, Chelsea Lettow, Wilson McFarland, Jennifer Mitchell, Brandon Pigeon, and Taylor Thibodeaux as contract employees for the 2014-15 school year.
- Approved one-year contract for 2014-15 for Mary Whitton.

## **Information items presented:**

Resignation of contract employees Patricia Bell, Elizabeth Black, Holly Jo Clark, Arlette Covington, Maria Escobedo, Judy Fine, Kristin Holman, Jane Hughes, Stephen LaMore, Jennifer Lowe, Melody McMullen, Jessica Schick, Susan Stroud, and Jerrett Turner.

Resignations of at-will employees Mercedes Bixby, Walter Love, and Joyce Sandvik.

Complete official minutes will be posted after approval at the June 9, 2014 board meeting.