



BOARD REPORT

BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING October 15, 2018

The Brownwood ISD (BISD) Board of Trustees met for a regular session meeting on Monday, October 15, 2018 at 6:30 p.m. The session was called to order by Board Vice President, Roderick Jones Sr. in the absence of Board President, Michael Cloy. BISD Trustee, Tim Jacobs gave the invocation. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Northwest Elementary students, Sarah Atchley, Catalaya Torres, Christopher Camp, Hadley Lawrence, and Zayle Yarbrough.

RECOGNITIONS

The following groups and individuals were recognized by BISD and were presented with certificates highlighting their achievements.

Brownwood Police Department:

The Brownwood Police Department was recognized for Providing School Safety Training to Brownwood ISD Faculty & Staff in their continuing effort to keep students safe. Pictured below are representatives of the BPD, Officer Jeffrey Carey, Lt. Troy Carroll, Chief Terry Nichols, and Asst. Chief James Fuller with BISD Trustee, Dr. Lisa Fowler.



BISD Spotlight Teachers and Staff:

The Brownwood ISD Spotlight recognizes members of the BISD faculty and staff that go the extra mile to ensure excellence in education for all our students. Spotlight recipients are chosen from peer nominations. October 2018 honorees were Coggin Intermediate 5th grade teacher, Ms. Debra Walker, and Mrs. Blanca Hardy, custodian at Woodland Heights Elementary. Spotlight honorees are pictured below with BISD Trustee, Codie Smith.



Woodland Heights Elementary Early Morning Running Club:

Members of the Woodland Heights Elementary Early Morning Running Club were recognized for their commitment and continued dedication to staying healthy by running regularly. Students arrive at 7:00 a.m. each Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday to add to their total miles run with a goal of reaching 100 miles or more by the end of the year. Pictured below are some of the students in the club, their sponsor, PE Teacher, Karey Morelock along with BISD Trustees, Diane Thompson and Codie Smith.



INSTRUCTIONAL FOCUS

Deputy Superintendent, Liesa Land provided Advanced Academic Enrollment numbers that included totals from TSTC, HPU, Ranger College, and UT-OnRamps for 2016, 2017, and 2018. With most areas showing improving numbers, Land noted a decrease in a few areas and a continued push to increase engagement in the programs. The report also included a list of the currently available dual credit, dual enrollment, Pre-AP, and AP offerings.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Dr. Young provided the budget report and updates on purchases including new band uniforms and new busses, both of which were approved at last month's board meeting. Board members were able to view an example of the new band uniform and Dr. Young reported that the new busses had been ordered and are expected to arrive in January.

DISCUSSION & ACTION ITEMS

PUBLIC HEARING FOR TARGETED IMPROVEMENT PLANS:

At 6:50 p.m. the board opened a public hearing for targeted improvement plans with a motion from Trustee Eric Evans, a second by Trustee Dr. Lisa Fowler, and a unanimous vote. The plans are required components of district-wide and campus improvement efforts at Northwest and East Elementary schools. Deputy Superintendent, Liesa Land, presented the plans that included specific goals, strategies and activities targeting academic goals in Reading and Math. Additional public meetings covering the improvement plans have already been held on each campus. The public hearing was closed at 6:55 p.m.

CONSIDER APPROVAL OF THE TARGETED IMPROVEMENT PLANS:

Following the public hearing, Trustee Diane Thompson motioned to approve the targeted improvement plans as presented. Trustee Codie Smith seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS:

Nursing, Wellness, and SHAC Report: Dr. Young provided updates and information in the areas of Nursing, Wellness, and SHAC (Student Health Advisory Council). The Nursing report included nursing assignments, clinic visit statistics, and flu information, as well as vision screening information pertaining to a new photo screener being purchased. The SHAC report contained recent areas of discussion including legislation updates regarding lice, the Hidden in Plain Sight program, Nutrition, and School Safety.

ESL Program Report: An overview of BISD's English as a Second Language program was provided by Dr. Young. Brownwood ISD's English as a Second Language (ESL) Department provides appropriate planned instruction to identified students that are linguistically and culturally diverse. Using ESL is an educational approach to align academic content and the

acquisition of English language skills for English Language Learners (ELLs). The overview materials included information regarding the Imagine Learning Program, English Language Proficiency Standards (ELPS), and goals and initiatives of the ESL program. BISD currently has ELL students that speak English Spanish, Albanian, Vietnamese, Cambodian, Nepali, Tagalog, Filipino, and Bengali.

Mental Health Initiative Update: Brownwood ISD Special Populations Director, Landry Blackstock, presented information to the board regarding a new mental health initiative: PROTECT THE PRIDE. Blackstock explained that the goal of this initiative is to create a safe and supportive environment for the identification, intervention and appropriate collaboration with local and regional resources to serve the needs of students identified as having possible mental health issues. Blackstock also noted the importance of developing a proactive approach to meet the needs of those students who most require mental health services, in addition to educating staff and students on the importance of mental health issues.

Quarterly Investment Report: A Quarterly Investment Summary and Tax Assessor-Collector's Report for August 2018 were provided to the board for review.

ANNOUNCEMENT OF BOARD MEMBER CONTINUING EDUCATION HOURS:

Board Vice President, Roderick Jones Sr. reported that all BISD Board of Trustees members exceeded the yearly required continuing education hours for 2018.

CONSENT AGENDA:

The following items were listed for consideration on the Consent Agenda.

1. SHAC Appointments for 2018-2019
2. Fundraisers
3. Approval of purchases over \$50,000
4. September 10, 2018 Board Meeting Minutes

Trustee Jacobs moved that the Consent Agenda be approved as presented, with Trustee Evans seconding the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The following announcements were made for upcoming events:

- SBDM Committee meeting - Thursday, October 18, 2018, 4:00 p.m.
- 3rd Annual Lions' Pride Gala - Saturday, October 20, 2018
- Region 15 Superintendent Conference - Oct. 22-24, 2018
- Pink-Out Game vs. Stephenville - October 26, 2018
- Next Regular Meeting - November 12, 2018

EXECUTIVE SESSION

The board moved into executive session at 7:15 p.m. to discuss personnel issues and security matters. They returned to open session at 9:13 p.m.

CONSIDER APPROVAL OF PERSONNEL MATTERS

A motion to approve personnel matters as presented was made by Trustee Tim Jacobs and seconded by Trustee Codie Smith. The motion passed unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 9:04 p.m.