

Board Minutes

Special Called Meeting/Public Hearing

Thursday, August 29, 2024 6:00 PM

Plainview ISD Education Complex, 2411 Yonkers, PLAINVIEW, TX 79072

Amber Bass: Present

Sylvia De L Garza: Present

JoAnn Rey: Absent

Sofia Rivera: Present

Danny Salazar: Present

Veronica Salazar: Absent

Adam Soto: Present

Present: 5, Absent: 2.

I. **Call to Order**

6:02PM

1. Announcement by the Presiding Officer of Board whether a quorum is present and that the meeting had been duly called, and that notice of the meeting had been posted in the and manner required by law.

II. **Invocation**

Pledge of Allegiance to the Flags of the United States of America and the State of Texas.

Adam Soto did Invocation. Sylvia De La Garza led pledge.

III. **Public Hearing**

1. Discussion and public input on Budget and Tax Rate

IV. Citizen Comments

No Citizens comments.

V. Business Item

1. Consideration and approval to adopt 2024-2025 Tax Rate and Interest & Sinking.

No comments.

Move that the Board of Trustees set the 2024-2025 Maintenance and Operation (M&O) tax rate at \$0.82380, and Interest and Sinking (I&S) tax rate at \$0.50000 per \$100 valuation for a total tax rate of \$1.32380. This motion, made by Sylvia De L Garza and seconded by Danny Salazar, Passed.

2. Consideration and Approval of the 2024-2025 Budget

Deficit amount \$4,591,663.00. 75% covers payroll and 25% covers other cost of the school. If welding shop is not approved the deficit will be 2 million, if welding shop approved it will be the 4.5. Staff freeze is also happening at this time. Individual statement was made: "The state of Texas is holding our kids hostage with the money that is suppose to be giving the state. The board still approved gave 2% raise with this. They believe until the state of Texas can help we continue in budget situation. Over 80% schools in the state of Texas are in the same position due to state of Texas. Board applauded PISD for doing what they can, making the deficit as low as possible. Board members are thankful for the staff doing what they do and doing the mandate of what the state requires. Board is also grateful we still have staff to be with the students.

Approve the 2024-2025 Budget. This motion, made by Sylvia De L Garza and seconded by Amber Bass, Passed.

3. Consideration and approval of Final Budget Amendment for 2023-2024.

No comments.

Approve 2023-2024 Final Budget Amendment. This motion, made by Danny Salazar and seconded by Sofia Rivera, Passed.

Approval to increase adult paid breakfast and lunch meal prices for the school year 2024-2025. This motion, made by Danny Salazar and seconded by Sofia Rivera, Passed.

4. Consideration of Approval to increase adult paid breakfast and lunch meal prices for the school year 2024-2025.

no comments.

Motion passed. This motion, made by Amber Bass and seconded by Sofia Rivera, Passed.

5. Consideration and possible approval of the contract for legal services with the law firm of O-Hanlon, Demerath & Castillo for representation in litigation in the case of Pecos-Barstow-Toyah et al. v. Mike Morath, in his official capacity as Commissioner of Education.

Legal action over Commissioner Mike Morath. You have 80% of the district budget and now a commissioner who wants to change the state test without the legislation's approval. Using AI to give grading and changing the CCMAR criteria without giving teachers the adequate resources to teach the students.

Amber Bass "The state of accountability has not gotten better or worse. It is a driving force the reason as to why students and teachers are leaving the public system. We need a better system. We know our teachers are teaching every day. I feel like it would be a great idea to use our HEB award-winning money to help with this."

Adam Soto "Board said we want use this for our district to help the kids."

Motion to join lawsuit. This motion, made by Danny Salazar and seconded by Sylvia De L Garza, Passed.

6. Approval to transport students to National FFA Convention in Indianapolis, Ind.

No comments.

Approval to transport students to National FFA Convention in Indianapolis, Ind. This motion, made by Amber Bass and seconded by Danny Salazar, Passed.

7. Consideration and approval to donate \$5,000 to

Plainview Education Foundation.

Board gave appreciation to PEF.

Approval to donate \$5,000 to Plainview Education Foundation. This motion, made by Sylvia De L Garza and seconded by Amber Bass, Passed.

8. Consideration to approve contracts over \$50,000.

No comments.

Approve contracts over \$50,000. This motion, made by Danny Salazar and seconded by Sylvia De L Garza, Passed.

9. Consideration to award contract for the construction of the Welding Facility-PHS.

Discussed in closed session.

Approval to award contract for the construction of the Welding Facility-PHS. This motion, made by Danny Salazar and seconded by Amber Bass, Passed.

VI. **Business Items:- Consensus Agenda**

VII. **Upcoming Meetings**

1. September 19, 2024; 6:00 PM Board Room

VIII. **CLOSED SESSION** - Trustees will meet in closed session as permitted by the **Texas Government Code Section 551.001 et.seq.**

A. Deliberation on the appointment, employment,

compensation, evaluation, assignment, duties,
discipline, or dismissal of employees pursuant to **Texas
Government code 551.074.**

B. Deliberation and Consultation with attorney
regarding potential or contemplated litigation or matters
involving attorney client privilege pursuant to **Texas
Government Code 551.071.**

Closed session began at 6:37PM. Back from closed session at 7:44PM. No action taken.

IX. **OPEN SESSION**

Adjourned at 7:47PM.