

**OFFICIAL MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING
PRINGLE-MORSE CONSOLIDATED INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD of TRUSTEES
AUGUST 1, 2023**

Trustees present: Jerry Crowl, Christy Hart, Justin Lane, James Lieb, John Lieb, and Jason Varnon.

Trustees absent: Wirt Davis.

Administration Present: Superintendent Scott Burrow, Chief Financial Officer Paige Speck, Business Manager Laurie Green, and Principal Jordan Hicks.

Guests Present: None.

A quorum was established, and President James Lieb called the meeting to order at 7:21 p.m.

No one was present for public comments/audience participation.

John Lieb moved to approve June 20, 2023, board meeting minutes. Jerry Crowl seconded the motion, and it carried 6-0.

Chief Financial Officer Paige Speck and Business Manager Laurie Green presented the financial reports, including budget reports, cash positions, and monthly expenditures. Trustees signed the renewed District's CD. Superintendent Burrow reported that he had signed a one-year renewal agreement with TCASE for assistance with Special Ed MOE calculations.

Justin Lane moved to approve the 2023-2024 Teacher Appraisal Calander. Jason Varnon seconded the motion, and it carried 6-0.

Jason Varnon motioned to approve the District's goals and objectives for the 2023-2024 school year. John Lieb seconded the motion, and it carried 6-0.

Jerry Crowl motioned to adopt the Student Code of Conduct for the 2023-2024 school year. Jason Varnon seconded the motion, and it carried 6-0.

Jerry Crowl moved to approve the SBEC Clearinghouse Professional Development Plan for Student Health and Social-Emotional Health (HB 1267). Jason Varnon Seconded the motion, and it carried 6-0.

John Lieb moved to engage Brown, Graham & Company as the District Financial Auditor for the 2022-2023 School Year. Justin Lane seconded the motion, and it carried 6-0.

No action was taken to approve Risk Management Corporation as the Property, Casualty & Liability Insurance Provider for the 2023-2024 School Year.

Regarding an armed security officer on campus, John Lieb made the following motion: "I move the Board adopt the Resolution claiming a good cause exception from the requirements of the Texas Education Code Section 37.0814 and authorize the superintendent to take any and all action necessary to implement the district's alternative standard." Christy Hart seconded the motion, and it carried 6-0.

Jerry Crowl moved to approve the cafeteria breakfast and lunch prices for 2023-2024. Justin Lane seconded the motion, and it carried 6-0. (See Attached).

Jerry Crowl moved to approve the Resolution to Designate Hansford County 4H Organization with Extracurricular status and Approve the Adjunct Faculty Agreement for Hansford County. Jason Varnon seconded the motion, and it carried 6-0.

Justin Lane moved to approve the Final Reading of Policy Update 121 (LOCAL). Jerry Crowl seconded the motion, and it carried 6-0.

Jason Varnon moved to approve the attached list of student transfers. Jerry Crowl seconded the motion, and it carried 6-0.

On matters related to school safety, Superintendent Burrow submitted the Standard Response Protocol (SRP) drill schedule for the Trustees to review.

No action was taken regarding the subscription services agreement with Raptor Technologies of visitor security.

Justin Lane moved to approve the fuel price agreements for 2023-2024 with Morse Implement. Jason Varnon seconded the motion, and it carried 6-0.

John Lieb moved to designate Tax Assessor Linda Cummings to calculate the no new tax rate and voter approval rate. Justin Lane seconded the motion, and it carried 6-0.

Justin Lane moved to approve the Agreement for the Purchase of Attendance Credit. Christy Hart seconded the motion, and it carried 5-1.

Jerry Crowl moved to delegate contractual authority to obligate the School District under Texas Education Code (TEC) 11.1511 (c) (4) to the superintendent solely for the purposes of Obligating the District under TEC. John Lieb seconded the motion, and it carried 6-0.

Chief Financial Officer Speck led Trustees in a 2023-2024 budget workshop. The topics covered were certified property values, the proposed 2023-2024 budget, and projected recapture payments. The district anticipates a deficit budget. Jerry Crowl moved to approve the 2023-2024 school year budget. Jason Varnon seconded the motion, and it carried 6-0.

Jerry Crowl moved to set the 2023 proposed maintenance and operations (M&O) tax rate at \$0.8580 per \$100 valuation and the 2023 proposed interest and sinking (I&S) tax rate at \$0.126391 per \$100 valuation for a total tax rate of \$0.984391 per \$100 valuation; Justin Lane seconded the motion, and it carried 6-0.

Jerry Crowl moved to set August 24, 2023, at 7:00 p.m. as the date and time for a public meeting to discuss the 2023-24 budget and proposed tax rate; the motion was seconded by Justine Lane and carried 6-0. The regular board meeting will follow the public forum.

Superintendent Burrow reported:

We are expecting about 120 for the first day of school.

The TASB/TASA Convention is from Friday, September 29, through Sunday, October 1, 2023.

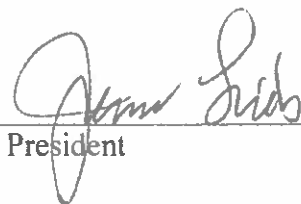
The floors are clean, and the rooms are ready to receive teachers and students.

During the 2nd Legislative special session, the action was taken to spend the surplus State revenue to lower taxes. Roughly 10 cents will be compressed on the M&O rate, and a \$100,000 homestead exemption was passed out of legislation.

The board will have the required training over the 88th Legislature to attend.

The meeting adjourned at 9:24 p.m.

Minutes approved this 24th day of August 2023.



President



Secretary