

**MINUTES OF REGULAR BOARD MEETING
THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
STERLING CITY ISD**

A Regular Board Meeting of the Board of Trustees of Sterling City ISD was held Monday, June 19, 2023 at 7:00 PM in the Board Room of the Sterling City ISD Administration Building.

1. CALL TO ORDER - ESTABLISH A QUORUM

The Sterling City Independent School District Board of Trustees met in a regular board meeting in the Sterling City ISD Administration Building. Board President, Ross McCrea established a quorum was present and called the meeting to order at 7:02 pm. Those in attendance were Trustees: Ross McCrea, Sims Price, Margaret Foley, Randy Parrish, Jerry McGinnis, Mike Knittel, and Laura Flores. Also in attendance were Superintendent, Travis Grubbs, Elementary Principal, Amanda Jackson, Secondary Principals, Bobby Fryar and Cash Jennings, Business Manager, Danetta Ferguson, and Compliance Director, Michele Guetersloh.

2. OPEN FORUM

None

3. REPORTS AND PRESENTATIONS

A. Elementary Principal Report

Mrs. Jackson provided the Board with an update on summer school.

B. Secondary Principal Report

Mr. Fryar thanked the Board for the opportunity to serve as Secondary Principal for the 2022-2023 school year. He also provided an update on extra-curricular performances, Wool Judging, and FCCLA accomplishments. Mr. Jennings provided the Board with information regarding the purchase of vape detectors.

C. Superintendent Report

a. 2023 Board Training July 24-25

Mr. Grubbs provided the Board with preliminary STAAR data, maintenance expenditures, and reminders regarding upcoming Board training.

4. ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION AND CONSIDERATION

A. Consent Agenda

- a. Minutes from previous meeting(s)
- b. Financial and Investment reports

The Board on a motion by Randy Parrish and second by Margaret Foley voted 7-0 to approve the consent agenda.

B. Budget Amendment(s)

None

- C. Discuss School Housing
Mr. Grubbs and the Board discussed the future of school housing.
- D. Nicotine Policy Recommended Changes
Mr. Grubbs and the Board discussed proposed changes to the nicotine drug testing policy.
- E. Update Cycle for Computers
Mr. Grubbs discussed updating the purchase cycle for student computers.
- F. Staff Salary Schedules (23-24)
Mr. Grubbs presented staff salary schedules for the 2023-2024 school year.
- G. Stipend Schedule (23-24)
The Board on a motion by Sims Price and second by Randy Parrish voted 7-0 to approve the proposed stipend schedule.
- H. Staff Salary Step Raises (23-24)
The Board on a motion by Mike Knittel and second by Sims Price voted 7-0 to approve the proposed staff salary step raises.
- I. One-Time Salary Increase (23-24)
The Board on a motion by Randy Parrish and second by Laura Flores voted 7-0 to approve the one-time salary increase.
- J. Substitute Teacher Pay Rates (23-24)
The Board on a motion by Mike Knittel and second by Sims Price voted 6-0-1 to approve a \$20.00 increase to all substitute teacher pay categories for the 2023-2024 school year. Randy Parrish abstained from voting.
- K. Student Transportation Rates (23-24)
The Board on a motion by Sims Price and second by Margaret Foley voted 7-0 to approve the proposed transportation rates.
- L. Meeting in closed session pursuant to Tex. Gov't Code Section 551.074 (Personnel Matters/Closed Session) to deliberate the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline, or dismissal of a public officer or employee, and/or Section 551.071 (Attorney Consultation/Closed Session)
 - a. Hiring of Elementary Teacher
 - b. Discuss PersonnelThe Board on a motion by Mike Knittel and second by Randy Parrish voted 7-0 to enter executive session at 8:28 pm. The Board resumed regular session at 9:22 pm.

M. Superintendent's Recommendations for New Hire

The Board on motion by Sims Price and second by Mike Knittel voted 7-0 to hire Darcy Schmedicke for the 2023-2024 school year.

N. Next Board Meeting Date

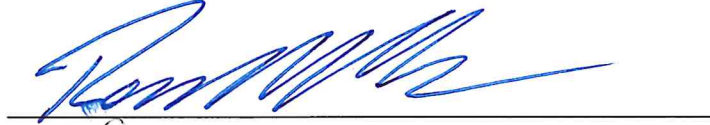
The Board mutually agreed to schedule the next Board meeting for July 19, 2023 at 7:00 pm.

5. **ADJOURNMENT**

The Board on a motion by Randy Parrish and second by Mike Knittel voted 7-0 to adjourn the meeting at 9:26 pm.

Note: During the course of the meeting, should a discussion of any item on the agenda be held in executive or closed session, the Board may convene in such executive or closed session by law, "Texas Government Code, Chapter 551". All final actions, decisions, or votes shall be made in open session.

Ross McCrea – President



Laura Flores – Secretary

