

The Board of Trustees of the Brenham Independent School District met in regular session December 12, 2016 at 6:00 PM in Lecture Rooms 111 & 113 at the Brenham High School. Notice was posted according to the requirements outlined in Texas Government Code Chapter 551. The following board members were present:

Natalie Lange, President
Susan Jenkins, Secretary
Tommie Sullivan

Melvin Ehlert, Vice President
Mark Schneider
Mike Altman

Absent – Kelvin Raven

Also present were Superintendent Walter Jackson, Assistant Superintendents Jamey Johnson and Paul Aschenbeck, the following BISD Administrators: Jessica Johnston, Kim Weatherby, Christie Olivarez, Leslie Broesche, Bonnie Brinkmeyer, Janet George, Kim Strauss, Cody Stelter, Steve Skrla, Joseph Chandler, Bryan Bryant, Peggy Still, Michael Ogg, Courtney Mason, Rob Fleming; Noell Buffam with KWHI, Arthur Hahn with Brenham Banner Press, Debbie Gaskamp and guests.

1. CALL TO ORDER
The meeting was called to order by President Natalie Lange at 6:00 PM.

Mrs. Lange opened the meeting with the reading of Board Protocol for Regular Open Meetings.
2. PLEDGE / INVOCATION
The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Melvin Ehlert and the invocation was given by Tommie Sullivan.
3. BHS CHORALE
Students from the Brenham High School chorale entertained the board and gallery with song selections.
4. SPECIAL RECOGNITION
“You Make A Difference” Award Recipients
The Board of Trustees presented the “You Make a Difference” award to the organizations responsible for the success of Brenham ISD’s Outdoor Education program: The Texas Parks and Wildlife Association, Texas AgriLife Extension – Texas Master Naturalist Program, Texas Master Naturalist – Gideon Lincecum Chapter, Texas AgriLife Extension – Mill Creek Watershed Program, Texas Brigades, Natural Resource conservation service, Washington County Wildlife Society, Bluebonnet Garden Club and Herb society – Pioneer Unit.

BJHS Mission Possible STEM Competition Group
BJHS Principal, Bryan Bryant, introduced members of the Brenham Junior High School Mission Possible STEM competition group.
5. PUBLIC MEETING ON THE ANNUAL SCHOOL “FIRST” FINANCIAL ACCOUNTABILITY RATING FOR BRENHAM ISD
Director of Business and Finance, Kim Weatherby, conducted the required public meeting on the annual School “FIRST” Financial Accountability Rating for Brenham ISD. Brenham ISD received a Superior rating.
6. MONETARY DONATION TO THE DISTRICT
On a motion introduced by Tommie Sullivan, seconded by Mike Altman, the board unanimously voted to accept a \$2,500 monetary donation from the Brenham Junior High School PTO to

be used toward the purchase of a new laminator for the campus as presented. The motion passed with a vote of six for and none opposed.

7. CONSENT AGENDA

- a. Minutes
- b. 2016-2017 DIP
- c. Out of State Trip
- d. 2017-2018 BHS Course Selection guide

Mike Altman made a motion to approve as presented: the minutes from the November 14, 2016 regular board meeting; the 2016-2017 District Improvement Plan with the option to make necessary changes throughout the school year; an out of state trip for the MCJROTC to attend the invitational drill meet in New Orleans, Louisiana January 27-28, 2017; the addition of the following courses to the BHS course selection guide for the 2017-2018 school year:

- Advanced Placement
 - ◀ AP Computer Science A
 - ◀ AP Human Geography
- CTE
 - ◀ Sports & Entertainment Marketing
 - ◀ Virtual Business
- Electives
 - ◀ Dance I, II, III & IV
- English
 - ◀ Analysis of Visual Media
- Mathematics
 - ◀ Algebraic Reasoning
 - ◀ Statistics

Mark Schneider seconded and the motion passed unanimously with a vote of six for and none opposed.

8. SUPERINTENDENT DISTRICT REPORT

Superintendent Walter Jackson presented the Superintendent's District Report.

9. UPDATE ON BISD'S STRATEGIC GOALS

District administrators presented a brief update on BISD's Strategic Goals.

10. DISTRICT OF INNOVATION (DOI) RESOLUTION

Susan Jenkins made a motion, seconded by Mike Atman to adopt a resolution declaring Brenham ISD's intent in becoming a District of innovation as presented. The motion carried with a vote of six for and none against.

11. PUBLIC HEARING REGARDING EXPLORING BRENHAM ISD'S DOI STATUS

Director of Public Information and special Projects, Jessica Johnston led the Board through the hearing process. No individuals addressed the Board

12. REPORT ON BOARD OF TRUSTEE TRAINING HOURS

Board President Natalie Lange announced the name of each board member who has completed the required continuing education hours. The following members have satisfied their training requirements as of December 12, 2016: Natalie Lange, Melvin Ehlert, Susan Jenkins, Tommie Sullivan, Kelvin Raven

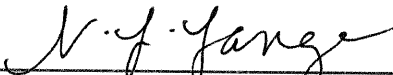
Mike Altman and Mark Schneider. No members were deficient in the required training.

13. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

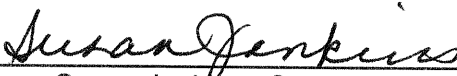
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14. ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to come before the Board, President Natalie Lange adjourned the meeting at 6:52 PM.



Natalie Lange, President



Susan Jenkins, Secretary