

Ms. Englert reported for Mr. Kuhlmann. In FFA, three students recently placed at a jackpot show. In volleyball, they are currently 13 and 11. District begins on October 8. High School football is one and one. Homecoming is Friday against Veribest. There will be a bonfire at the Follis' on Wednesday at 8:30 pm. The pep rally is at 12:10 pm on Friday. The JV game has been canceled. Junior high football is Thursday at Veribest. Band has been practicing two marching shows. The National Honor Society induction is set for September 14 at 1:20 pm in the auditorium.

In elementary, the Shorthorn Ambassadors will begin tomorrow. This is similar to an elementary student council but it is more student led. Grades 3 - 4 are going to Ag Day on September 13 in Robert Lee. The Butter Braid fundraiser begins next week. A drone presentation for GT, conducted by San Angelo Police Department, for students in grades 5 - 12 will be held on September 15. September 22 will be the soil conservation for the 5th and 6th grades. There is a new math curriculum, science curriculum, and phonics program. The teachers have put a lot of work into it and are doing a great job!

Ms. Englert reported 232 students in EE - 12 with 141 in EE - 6 and 91 in 7 - 12. The attendance rate is 98%. They are trying to stay on top of absences. No mandatory Covid quarantine has helped.

Superintendent's Report
Mr. Siler reported that the August deposit for Lonestar Investment Pool was about \$1800, which is much higher than usual. With the beginning of the year finance, there has not been much new since the meeting last week. Mr. Siler went over the student counts for recent school years. In 14-15, the campuses were consolidated as a single campus number. Student data prior to 14-15 was lost because BISD was no longer considered a 101. In 16-17, total enrollment was 261 with 145 in 7 - 12. School year 17-18 totaled 229, 18-19 totaled 243, and 19-20 was unknown due to the Covid shutdown. The current ADA is 232. The 22-23 budget was built around a 210 ADA so BISD is sitting good unless the ADA decreases. Mr. Siler stated that he is watching that closely. TEA updated the summary of finance and corrected the values so BISD is getting the correct amount of funding.

Mr. Siler discussed activity bus options. He first described a multi-function school activity bus (MFSAB), which looks like regular buses but is white with a max seat of 40. Ballpark prices are around \$154,000. Other common white, flat-nose buses holding 46 passengers (similar to Van Hool) with no add-ons are around \$220,000. A Yellowdog 47 passenger bus is

about \$90,000 and \$82,000 for a 35 passenger. BISD could purchase two 30 passenger Yellowdog buses for less than one white bus. White buses can run 75 mph and have undercarriage storage. A new bus would replace the MCI. The cost of repairs for the MCI is very expensive and not budget friendly as parts are near impossible to find. In the next five years, Mr. Siler anticipates that 2-3 buses will be needed and also 1-2 smaller vehicles. It is proposed that Mr. Siler bring the board three quotes for the MFSAB white max seater of 40 and three quotes for the Yellowdog 47 passenger bus.

Mr. Siler said concerning the roofing project, BISD can either decide to not use Jacob and Martin or to enter into negotiations with Jacob and Martin and allow them to delegate. Jacob and Martin

advised that one company is used for the entire roofing project (not multiple roofers if the project is broken up). Jodie Arrott made a motion to enter into negotiations with Jacob and Martin for the designation for the roofing project. Terry Queen seconded and the motion passed with a vote of 5 - 0.

Jodie Arrott made a motion to appoint Melissa Wright and Morgan Runyan as adjunct faculty with Scott Snyder seconding. The motion passed with a vote of 5 - 0.

The October board meeting will be held Wednesday, October 5, at 5:30 pm.

A possible board training date would be October 22.

Lynsey Coalson made a motion to adjourn the meeting and was seconded by Terry Queen. The motion passed with a vote of 5 - 0. The meeting adjourned at 6:48 Coke

HVAC Air Conditioning replacement to reduce electric cost and ongoing maintenance; Maintenance equipment; and Elementary PE Equipment.

*Career and Technology Education improvement will allow the Blackwell Ag Department to enhance CTE programs.

*Energy Efficiency improvements include solar and wind moving the district toward covering almost all of its electricity needs.

* A New Outdoor Covered Court and Restrooms will enable elementary students during recess and PE to play outside during inclement weather. Currently, elementary students have to walk quite a distance back to the building if they need to use the restroom during recess. The new restrooms will allow teachers to keep their students in sight.

Proposition A passed overall 272-144. Coke County voters were evenly divided at 64 for and 64 against. Taylor County voted 24 for and 22 against with Nolan County voting 186 for and 58 against.

Proposition B - \$2.7 Million
This proposition includes

synthetic turf at the high school stadium; track replacement and upgrades; visitor press box, furniture, and equipment; and new tennis courts.

Proposition B passed overall 257-154. Coke County voted 62 for and 64 against. Taylor County voted 19 for and 27 against with Nolan County voting 178 for and 63 against.

Proposition C - \$2.5 Million
Proposition C provides for new teacher housing. Proposition C passed overall 259-147. Coke County voted 62 for and 64 against. Taylor County voted 21 for and 24 against with Nolan County voting 178 for and 59 against.

Proposition D - \$600,000
Proposition D is to be used for Classroom Technology. This includes the purchase of laptops and replaces aging technology equipment within the building, such as servers.

Proposition D provides for new teacher housing. Proposition C passed overall 267-137. Coke County voted 65 for and 59 against. Taylor County voted 22 for and 24 against with Nolan County voting 182 for and 54 against.

Blackwell CISD voters pass bond propositions

In the November 8, 2022 General Election, Blackwell Consolidated Independent School District had four bond propositions on the ballot. Blackwell CISD lies in three counties - Coke, Nolan and Taylor. Unofficial results show that all four propositions passed when the votes from each county were combined. A description of the proposition and the breakdown of votes from each county follow.

Proposition A - \$9.1 Million

*Six new school buses will be added to keep the district on a replacement schedule for the next five years. Currently, 90%

of the current fleet is approaching or past its useful life.

*Safety and Security Improvements include new surveillance cameras, fencing around the elementary playground, AED emergency devices, buzz in doors with camera and speakers, as well as vape detectors.


*Renovations and upgrades include: Bus Barn/Show Barn renovations with an additional bay for bus parking and insulation; Playground turf under existing playground equipment replacing worn wood chip material; Paving resurface;



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Park Maintenance Technician - Responsible for general maintenance of park and facilities. Entry to intermediate level position.

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<p>2019 Ford F-350 King Ranch <i>Price Drop!</i> \$66,900 <i>White w/Brown Accent & King Ranch Leather! Navigation, Adaptive Cruise, & Power Running Boards, 100K Miles!</i> #Y663A</p> <p>2018 Ford F-250 Limited \$62,900 <i>Magma Red w/Camelback Leather! 6.7L Powerstroke V8 Diesel! LOADED! 115K Miles!</i> #Y692A</p> <p>2018 Chevrolet Suburban LT \$41,900 <i>Blue w/Black Leather! Rear Entertainment System, Rear Bucket Seats, & Sunroof! 65K Miles!</i> #5683A</p> <p>2021 Kia Sorento S AWD \$35,300 <i>Silver w/Black Leather! Very Nice SUV! Only 30K Miles!</i> #Y685A</p> <p>2020 Mercedes-Benz GLA250 \$34,900 <i>White w/Tan Leather! Great Fuel Efficient SUV! Only 21K Miles!</i> #X545B</p> <p>2016 Toyota Tundra SR5 4WD \$31,500 <i>Gray w/Black Cloth Seats! Double Cab! 5.7L V8! Bed Liner! 96K Miles!</i> #X540A</p>	<p>2021 Nissan Sentra SR \$25,900 <i>Black w/Black Leather! Nice Loaded Sedan! 17K Miles!</i> #Y693A</p> <p>2014 Chevrolet Silverado 1500 LT 4WD \$24,900 <i>White w/Black Cloth! Z71 Offroad Package! Front Replacement Bumper! 95K Miles!</i></p> <p>2005 Ford Excursion Limited 4WD \$18,900 <i>Tan w/Tan Leather! DVDs! 6" Lift Kit, Front Replacement Bumper! 6.8L V10! 155K Miles! Excellent Shape!</i> #Y685A</p> <p>2014 Ford Expedition EL XLT \$9,500 <i>Blue w/Tan Accent & Tan Leather! Rear Entertainment System & Bluetooth! 209K Miles!</i> #7298C</p>
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