A passing score is 60, Bronte ISD's rating was 100.

Bronte ISD's rating was Superior.

There were no public comments.

The meeting adjourned at 6:07 pm.

January 20, 2021

The Bronte ISD Board of Trustees held a regularly scheduled board meeting on January 20, 2021. Those in attendance were board members Blake Braswell, Jodie Arrott, Ashley Braswell, Josh Schoenfield, Terry Queen, David McWright, and John Seales; administration members Tim Siler, Doug Kuhlmann, and Jennifer Englert; and guest Michael E. Oliphant.

The meeting was opened with prayer at 6:13 pm with prayer by Josh Schoenfield.

A quorum was established at 6:14 pm with six members present. Jodie Arrott arrived at 6:24 pm.

The minutes were presented and read. A motion was made by Terry Queen to approve the December minutes as presented. He was seconded by Josh Schoenfield. The motion passed with a vote of 6 - 0.

There were no audience items.

A motion was made by Ashley Braswell to approve the bill listing as presented and was seconded by David McWright. The motion passed with a vote of 5 - 0. John Seales abstained.

Mr. Oliphant with Eckert & Co., CPA, went over the audit findings for the year ending August 31, 2020. He advised that there was much improvement. Jodie Arrott made a motion to approve as presented and she was seconded by Ashley Braswell. The motion passed with a vote of 7 - 0.

Principal's Report

Ms. Englert gave an update on student activities in elementary. BISD is in the 4th six weeks. Grades 4 - 6 are attending the Science Spectrum in Lubbock. There is a UIL meet coming up. Elementary is currently screening and assessing for GT. The transition to two teachers in second grade went really smoothly. Mr. Kuhlman advised that attendance is improving for virtual students in secondary. The third Longhorn Enrichment Day went really well. Basketball is currently in district play. There will be a band competition in early march and the upcoming UIL meet is going to be held virtually. There was great participation in the Coke County Stock Show.

Current Bronte ISD student counts are as follows: 243 total students, including 151 in elementary, 34 in 7th - 8th grades, and 55 in 9th - 12th grades. ADA is at 98.96%.

Superintendent's Report

Mr. Siler gave an update on Bronte ISD's financial information. Finances are very interesting right now. Mr. Siler did a "hold harmless" on a template for a semester due to our numbers being less than the state required. Mr. Siler was able to look at federal money and was almost able to fund the 2nd grade teacher out of federal funds. He advised we might possibly see a second round of ESSR funds due to COVID. He is very excited about the increasing enrollment. He is also hoping for a 95% tax return. Mr. Siler also let the board know BISD is seeing more special education students than previous years. Mr. Siler also gave an update on maintenance. There was an AC unit that was replaced costing approximately $7,500. There is a roof leak and Mr. Siler received a free estimate advising the roof on the high school end is in need of replacing, which could cost approximately $8,500. Martin is continuing to patch where he can and there have been no leaks but will need to be replaced. Mr. Siler is slowly getting estimates from roofing companies. Mr. Siler was going to send a bus to auction but was not sure if another auction will be held. He is going to see if an engine can be obtained to fix the bus.

An update on the May Board Election was given. The seats currently held by Blake Braswell, Terry Queen, and Ashley Braswell are open. Election day is May 1, 2021.

An update on the gym light was given. Intrepid Electric Inc. gave a proposal for fitting LED lights in the new gym and Mr. Siler is also going to be getting a quote for the auditorium. Mr. Siler is trying to figure out the AEP incentive. He also advised that legislative updates might require school districts to start spending fund balances, but he will keep the board updated.

Mr. Siler presented a budget amendment of $3,000 to move funds from Function 53 to Function 41 to align expenditure coding of ESC Bank Reconciliation Services at the request of the auditor. A motion to approve the budget amendment as presented was made by Jodie Arrott and seconded by Ashley Braswell. The motion passed with a vote of 7 - 0.

Discussion was held regarding Update 116: CQB (Local) - Technology Services - Cybersecurity, DCD (Local) - Employment Practices - At-Will Employment, FFAC (Local) - Wellness and Health Services - Medical Treatment, and GKA (Local) - Community Relations - Conduct on School Premises. Mr. Siler advised that this update aligns policy with state revisions. The motion to approve the update as presented was made by Ashley Braswell. She was seconded by Terry Queen and the motion passed with a vote of 7 - 0.

David McWright made a motion to order the school board election and was seconded by John Seales. The motion passed with a vote of 7 - 0.

Terry Queen made a motion, with Jodie Arrott seconding, to designate Laurie Austin as Early Voting Clerk. The motion passed with a vote of 7 - 0.

The board will need to adopt goals and every month an action item will be placed on the agenda to review these goals. They will also be posed on the website. A motion was made by Jodie Arrott to approve as presented and was seconded by Ashley Braswell. The motion passed with a vote of 7 - 0.

The board was given a copy of the Board Operating Procedure, which included guidelines for new board members. A motion was made to approve the update as presented by Ashley Braswell. She was seconded by Terry Queen and the motion passed with a vote of 7 - 0.

A motion was made to take action on Tax Deed R6480 as presented by Jodie Arrott and seconded by Ashley Braswell. The motion passed with a vote of 7 - 0.

The February board meeting will take place on February 11, 2021, at 7 pm.

David McWright made a motion to adjourn the meeting and Jodie Arrott seconded. The motion passed with a vote of 7 - 0 and the meeting adjourned at 7:46 pm.

January 20, 2021 Public Hearing

The Bronte ISD Board of Trustees held a Texas Academic Performance Report hearing on January 20, 2021, at 6 pm in the BISD Board Room. Those present included board members Blake Braswell, John Seales, Ashley Braswell, Josh Schoenfield, Terry Queen, and David McWright; administration members Tim Siler, Doug Kuhlmann, and Jennifer Englert; and guest Michael E. Oliphant.

The call to order was made at 6:06 pm.

The Texas Academic Performance Reports (TAPR), formerly known as the Academic Excellence Indicator System (AEIS) reports, pull together a wide range of information annually on the performance of students in each school and district in Texas. The reports also provide extensive information on staff, programs, and demographics for each school and district. Texas declared a State of Disaster so there was no assessment this year.

Due to the State of Disaster, there was no rating for Bronte ISD.

There were no public comments.

The hearing adjourned at 6:12 pm.

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