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Wendy Hall also spoke regarding the Special Education Department. She stated that as a former Bronte student, BISD has a great tradition of bringing out the best in kids. She has a child in Special Education and has been pleased with the teachers at BISD who help and push the kids. Her child is very unhappy with the change in teacher and said many parents were unhappy as well, especially that there was no explanation given. She thinks a re-evaluation is needed and to do what is best for the kids.

A motion was made by Ashley Braswell to approve the bill listing as presented. The motion, seconded by Jodie Arrott, passed 7 - 0.

Mr. Siler advised on the current finances. Due to the decrease in enrollment, BISD is running below the budgeted estimate for the year. Mr. Siler is hoping the TRE will help with this. The budget was built on an ADA of 219, however the current ADA is 216. He also advised that we will be funded at state levels next year and is concerned with the loss of revenue and will possible have to shut off spending. There is a possibility we will end the year with a deficit budget.

Mr. Phillips gave an update on school activities. It has been a great year so far. BISD has regional qualifiers for both golf and tennis and area qualifiers in track. The first round of STAAR testing took place last week and Mr. Phillips praised the teachers and administration office for all of their hard work. There is one month and four days left in school and the library will be closing May 4. Mr. Philips also presented the BISD student count of 233 total students and a current ADA of 94.74%.

No action as taken on approving instructional materials allotment and TEKS certification.

Discussion and approval of summer school dates was tabled until the May meeting.

Mr. Siler presented the 2018-2019 school calendar the teachers voted for. The only major difference is the week off at Thanksgiving. A motion was made by Jodie Arrott to approve the school calendar as presented and was seconded by Blake Braswell. The motion passed 7 - 0.

The Site-Based Retreat will take place Thursday, April 19, at 6 pm at the Williams Building. Dinner will be provided and a discussion will be held with guest speakers, including past BHS graduates.

No amendments to the 2017-2018 budget were made.

Ashley Braswell made a motion to remove Gina McCutchen from the FNB signature card and was seconded by David McWright. The motion passed 7 - 0.

Josh Schoenfield made a motion to remove Gina McCutchen from the safe

deposit authorized access and was seconded by John Seales. The motion passed 7 - 0.

Blake Braswell made a motion to add Leigh Jernigan to the safe deposit authorized access and was seconded by Ashley Braswell. The motion passed 7 - 0.

The regular May meeting is set for May 17 at 7 pm. TASB Region 15 is having a workshop and Board Members can see if Mr. Siler is interested in attending.

The Board entered in to Executive Session at 7:38 pm and returned at 9:04 pm.

Ashley Braswell made a motion to approve the Auxiliary Personnel List as presented and was seconded by Blake Braswell. The motion passed 5 - 0. David McWright and Josh Schoenfield abstained.

David McWright made a motion to approve Probationary Contracts and was seconded by Ashley Braswell. The motion passed 7 - 0.

Blake Braswell made a motion to approve Term Contracts and Dual Assignment Term Contracts as presented and was seconded by Josh Schoenfield. The motion passed 7 - 0.

Mr. Siler recommended the non-renewal of Tammy Hortenstine for the following reasons: failure to perform services in compliance, insubordination, failure to meet the District's Code of Conduct, failure to maintain certification during the summer break, misrepresentation of facts/misleading comments, and failure to maintain CE certification. David McWright moved that the Board propose the non-renewal of Tammy Hortenstine's 2017-2018 term contract and authorize the Superintendent to provide the timely written notice of the board decision. The motion, seconded by Jodie Arrott, passed 5 - 2.

Jodie Arrott made a motion to approve the Term Contract for Certified Counselors as presented and was seconded by Blake Braswell. The motion passed 7 - 0.

David McWright made a motion to approve the offer of \$6000 from Alexander Green on Tax Deed R6498 and was seconded by Ashley Braswell. The motion passed 7 - 0.

Jodie Arrott made a motion to approve the offer of \$200 from Chanel and Walter Smith on



**Scholarship!** Kelsey Benson, a 2018 Robert Lee High School graduate, was recently presented with a \$500 scholarship from West Central Wireless. Kelsey was presented the scholarship by Kebo Ligon.

Tax Deed R6604 and was seconded by Josh Schoenfield. The motion passed 7 - 0.

Ashley Braswell made a motion to adjourn the meeting and was seconded by David McWright. The motion passed 7 - 0. The meeting was adjourned at 9:33 pm.

**May 17, 2018**

The Bronte ISD Board of Trustees held a regularly scheduled board meeting on May 17, 2018, at 7 pm. Those in attendance were Board Members Shane Kelton, Blake Braswell, Ashley Braswell, Jodie Arrott, Terry Queen, and Josh Schoenfield. Superintendent Tim Siler, Principal John Phillips, and Accounts Payable Manager Jenny Baker were also in attendance. Guests present were Maureen Youngblood, Heather Middleton, Kinley Pritchard, Bethany Pritchard, and Cynthia Robinson.

The meeting was opened at 7:06 pm with prayer by Blake Braswell.

A quorum was established with six members present. John Seales arrived at 7:22 pm.

Kinley Pritchard addressed the Board with concerns regarding

the current administration and the direction of the school. He felt administration did not handle issues his family has had this year to satisfaction. He also felt the lack of concern by the administration made problems bigger than they should have been. He advised that he will be transferring his children out of school due to these issues and is concerned that other families will also make the same decision due to administration issues.

Certificate of Election was issued to newly re-elected board member, Ashley Braswell.

Jenny Baker administered the Oath of Office as a Notary Public to Ashley Braswell.

After every Trustee election, the Board must realign officers. Jodie Arrott made a motion, seconded by Ashley Braswell, to

elect Shane Kelton as President. The motion passed 6 - 0 with Shane Kelton abstaining. Jodie Arrott made a motion, seconded by Josh Schoenfield, to elect Blake Braswell as Vice-President. The motion passed 6 - 0 with Blake Braswell abstaining. A motion was made by Josh Schoenfield and seconded by Blake Braswell to elect Ashley Braswell as Secretary. The motion passed 6 - 0 with Ashley Braswell abstaining.

A motion was made by Josh Schoenfield to approve the minutes as presented and was seconded by Jodie Arrott. The motion passed 7 - 0.

Ashley Braswell made a motion to approve the bill listing for April as presented and was seconded by Josh Schoenfield. The motion passed 7 - 0.

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