

LOOK WHO'S NEW!

Tragen Slider Pitcock

Tragen Slider Pitcock was born at 3:44 pm June 26, 2014, at Midland Memorial Hospital in Midland, Texas. He arrived weighing 7 pounds, 13 ounces and was 20.5 inches long.

Tragen was welcomed by two big brothers, 7 year old Braydon and 22 month old Granger. Their parents are Travis and Lindsey Pitcock of Greenwood, Texas.

Tragen's paternal grandparents are Darrel and Sharon Pitcock of Robert Lee and Glen Rose, Texas. Sebastian Solis of San Angelo and Rebecca Bohannon are his maternal grandparents. Paternal great-grandparents are the late D.J. and Nelia Boykin Walker and Teddy and Winnie Gartman Pitcock. Maternal great-grandparents include Gilbert and Sofia Solis of San Angelo and the late John and Jane Ann Gillis.

Meet the Longhorns set for August 25

Meet the Longhorns will be held Monday, August 25, 2014, at the Bronte Football Stadium. A meal is planned for 6 pm with a program set for 7 pm.

7th Grade Orientation at Bronte ISD scheduled

There will be a 7th grade orientation at Bronte ISD the first day of school for incoming 7th graders and any parents/guardians who wish to attend. On the first day of school, Monday, August 25th, everyone will meet in the auditorium at 8 am when the bell rings. After the general student assembly, the 7th graders will go to their 1st period class and then they will meet in the library 2nd period for orientation. We will discuss procedures, class schedules, lockers, supplies, and athletics as well as give you a tour of the secondary campus and an opportunity to meet teachers. We will also be answering any questions students or parents may have. If you have any questions, please call the Bronte secondary school campus at 473-2511.

RLISD Pre-K-Kindergarten pre-registration slated for August 19

The Robert Lee Independent School District will hold Pre-K-Kindergarten pre-registration on Tuesday, August 19 from 5:30-6:30 pm in the Elementary School Office. Prospective Pre-K students must be 4 years old by September 1, 2014 to be eligible for the 2014-2015 school year.

All new students to the Robert Lee ISD, Pre-Kindergarten-6th grade are encouraged to attend. Required documentation for enrollment must include birth certificate, social security card and current immunization records. Registration packets may also be picked up at the Elementary office Monday-Friday (8-4). For additional information please feel free to call the elementary school office

at 453-4555.

RLISD Board posts minutes

The Robert Lee ISD Board of Trustees met in regular session Tuesday, July 28, 2014, at 10 am in the Conference Room at RLISD.

The meeting was called to order by President Wes Washam with a quorum of members present. Members present included Wes Washam, Jeffie Roberts, Beverly Sinclair, George Grim and Erin Oleksiuk. Tom Sawyer and Irma Torres were absent.

Wes Washam led the invocation and prayer.

Supt. Hood recommended an order authorizing redemption of a portion of Robert Lee Independent School District Unlimited Tax Refunding

Bonds, Series 2011. Beverly Sinclair made a motion to approve the recommendation, seconded by Erin Oleksiuk. All voted for.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:04 am.

Bronte ISD Board posts minutes

The Bronte ISD Board of Trustees met in regular session Thursday, July 31, 2014, at 7 pm. Those in attendance were: Shane Kelton, President, Blake Braswell, Jay Henderson, Nick Arrott, John Seales, Kay Styles and Alan Richey, Superintendent. Also present were D. Skip Casey, Interim Superintendent, Donna Poehls, Elementary Principal, Gina McCutchen, Nancy Cooper, and guests Maureen Youngblood, Heather Middleton, and Rocky

Rawls. David McWright was absent.

The meeting was opened in prayer by Nick Arrott.

There were no audience items. The minutes from the June 25, July 7 and July 17 board meetings were approved with corrections.

The Board approved the 2014-2015 T-TESS Calendar presented by Donna Poehls, Elementary Principal, as well as the 2014 Student Code of Conduct. All were in favor.

The Board approved the 2014-2015 property and auto insurance, athletic passes for 2014-2015, accepted the 2014-2015 Dairy bid from Gandy's, approved the surveillance camera system proposal from Kay Gee as well as the Risk Management Fund renewal proposal. All were in favor.

Update 100 was approved as recommended by TASB Policy Service and the board approved the Letter of Engagement for 2014-205 Financial audit with Burl Lowery, CPA. All were in favor.

Shane Kelton, Board President presented Alan Richey, Superintendent, with a Service Award in appreciation for his years of service to Bronte ISD. Mr. Richey, Superintendent, presented the board with a Comparison of Budget for the past few years as well as possible increases to the 2014-2015 Budget.

The board approved the Certified Tax roll for Runnels and Coke Counties. The Proposed Tax Rate was set at \$1.04 and the 2014-2015

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING TO DISCUSS BUDGET AND PROPOSED TAX RATE

The BRONTE ISD will hold a public meeting at 6 pm. August 28, 2014, in BRONTE ISD ROOM, 210 SOUTH JEFFERSON, BRONTE, TEXAS. **The purpose of this meeting is to discuss the school district's budget that will determine the tax rate that will be adopted. Public participating in the discussion is invited.**

The tax rate that is ultimately adopted at this meeting or at a separate meeting at a later date may not exceed the proposed rate shown below unless the district publishes a revised notice containing the same information and comparisons set out below and holds another public meeting to discuss the revised notice.

Maintenance Tax	\$1.040000/\$100 (proposed rate for maintenance and operations)
School Debt Service Tax	\$0/\$100 (proposed rate to pay bonded indebtedness)
Approved by Local Voters	

Comparison of Proposed Budget with Last Year's Budget

The applicable percentage increase or decrease (or difference) in the amount budgeted in the preceding fiscal year and the amount budgeted for the fiscal year that begins during the current tax year is indicated for each of the following expenditure categories.

Maintenance and operations	0.09% increase
Debt Service	0.00% increase
Total expenditures	0.09% increase

Total Appraised Value and Total Taxable Value (as calculated under Section 26.04, Tax Code)

	Preceding Tax Year	Current Tax Year
Total appraised value* of all property	\$307,621,270	\$317,713,280
Total appraised value* of new property**	\$1,386,940	\$1,122,300
Total taxable value*** of all property	\$130,354,670	\$119,879,945
Total taxable value*** of new property**	\$1,356,200	\$1,739,140

* Appraised value is the amount shown on the appraisal roll and defined by Section 1.04(8), Tax Code.

** "New Property" is defined by Section 26.012(17), Tax Code.

*** "Taxable value" is defined by Section 1.04(10), Tax Code.

Bonded Indebtedness

Total amount of outstanding and unpaid bonded indebtedness* \$0

* Outstanding principal.

Comparison of Proposed Rates with Last Year's Rates

	Maintenance & Operations	Interest & Sinking Fund*	Total	Local Revenue Per Student	State Revenue Per Student
Last Year's Rate	\$1.040000	\$0*	\$1.040000	\$4,604	\$5,009
Rate to Maintain Same Level of Maintenance & Operations Revenue & Pay Debt Service	\$1.080700	\$0*	\$1.080700	\$0	\$0
Proposed Rate	\$1.040000	\$0*	\$1.040000	\$49,014	\$4,889

* The Interest & Sinking Fund tax revenue is used to pay for bonded indebtedness on construction, equipment, or both.

The bonds, and the tax rate necessary to pay those bonds, were approved by the voters of this district.

Comparison of Proposed Levy with Last Year's Levy on Average Residence

	Last Year	This Year
Average Market Value of Residences	\$59,573	\$64,345
Average Taxable Value of Residences	\$39,101	\$44,607
Last Year's Rate Versus Proposed Rate per \$100 Value	\$1.040000	\$1.040000
Taxes Due on Average Residence	\$406.65	\$463.91
Increase (Decrease) in Taxes		\$57.26

Under state law, the dollar amount of school taxes imposed on the residence homestead of a person 65 years of age or older or of the surviving spouse of such a person, if the surviving spouse was 55 years of age or older when the person died, may not be increased above the amount paid in the first year after the person turned 65, regardless of changes in tax rate or property value.

Notice of Rollback Rate: The highest Rate the district can adopt before requiring voter approval at an election is \$1.040050. This election will be automatically held if the district adopts a rate in excess of the rollback rate of \$1.040050.

Fund Balances

The following estimated balances will remain at the end of the current fiscal year and are not encumbered with or by a corresponding debt obligation, less estimated funds necessary for operating the district before receipt of the first state aid payment.

Maintenance and Operations Fund Balance (s)	\$534,000
Interest & Sinking Fund Balances (s)	\$0