

Robert Lee ISD Board posts minutes

The Robert Lee ISD Board of Trustees met in regular session Thursday, July 20, 2017.

The meeting was called to order at 12 noon by President Washam. Members present were Wes Washam, Jeffie Roberts, George Grim, Tom Sawyer, Irma Torres and Beverly Sinclair. Erin Oleksiuk was absent.

Invocation and pledge led by Tom Sawyer.

Tom Sawyer made a motion to approve the minutes of the June 15, 2017, meeting. The motion was seconded by George Grim. All voted for.

Irma Torres made a motion to approve the financial reports as presented by Robin Allen and to approve the bills. It was seconded by Beverly Sinclair. All voted for.

Supt. Hood and David O'Dell gave reports on the elementary and high school campuses.

Supt. Hood recommended the T-Tess Calendar for 2017-2018 as presented. Jeffie Roberts made the motion to approve the calendar, seconded by Tom Sawyer. All voted for.

Supt. Hood recommended the District Appraisers for 2017-2018 to be himself, Lee McCown and David O'Dell. Beverly Sinclair made the motion to approve appraisers as presented, seconded by George Grim. All voted for.

Supt. Hood recommended adopting the RLISD Responsible Use Policy for 2017-2018 as presented. George Grim made the motion to approve the Policy, seconded by Jeffie Roberts. All voted for.

Supt. Hood recommended T.R.E.A. for RLISD Property/Casualty Insurance for 2017-2018. Irma Torres made the motion to approve this recommendation. It was seconded by Tom Sawyer. All voted for.

Supt. Hood recommended the 2017-2018 Food Service Bid remain with Gandy's. Beverly Sinclair made the motion to approve Gandy's bid, seconded by Jeffie Roberts. All voted for.

Supt. Hood held a budget workshop for the 2017-2018 budget.

Supt. Hood recommended the 2017-2018 proposed tax rate as \$1.04 M&O, \$0.42 I&S for a total tax rate of \$1.46. Tom Sawyer made the motion to approve the proposed tax rate as presented. The motion was seconded by Jeffie Roberts. All voted for.

Supt. Hood recommended approving the 2017-2018 ESC Contracts as presented. Jeffie Roberts made the motion to approve the presented contracts, seconded by Tom Sawyer. All voted for.

Supt. Hood recommended Equalizing Wealth for the 2017-2018 school year based on Chapter 41 of the TEC by purchasing Attendance Credits. Irma Torres made the motion to approve this recommendation. The motion was seconded by George Grim. All voted for.

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approving the waiver for Accelerated Instruction. Beverly Sinclair made the motion to approve this recommendation. It was seconded by Irma Torres. All voted for.

Supt. Hood recommended a new 3-year plan for CAS Workers Compensation Renewal. Jeffie Roberts made the motion to approve the renewal. It was seconded by Tom Sawyer. All voted for.

Supt. Hood gave his report on summer maintenance, the special called meeting to set tax rate and adopt budget, elementary numbers, audit, myCollege Options report and read thank you notes.

The next regular board meeting will be Thursday, August 17, 2017, at 5 pm and the special called meeting will be Wednesday, August 30, 2017, at 5 pm.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:10 pm.

Bronte ISD Board posts minutes

The Bronte ISD Board of Trustees held a regularly scheduled Board Meeting on May 11, 2017. Those in attendance were:

Board Members: Shane Kelton, David McWright, Blake Braswell, John Seales, Ashley Braswell.

Administration: Tim Siler, Josh Barton, Jenny Baker

Guests: Maureen Youngblood, Heather Middleton, Reese Braswell, Crystal Blevins.

1. PRAYER: The meeting was opened at 7:11 pm with a prayer by David McWright.

2. ROLL CALL AND ESTABLISH QUORUM: Quorum was established with five members present. Jodie Arrott and Josh Schoenfield were absent.

3. AUDIENCE ITEMS: No audience items.

4. CANVASS THE RESULTS OF THE ELECTION: The results of the May 6th election were as follows: Jodie Arrott- 109 votes, John Seales- 85 votes, Kinley Pritchard- 72 votes, Margaret Charlesworth- 57 votes. John Seales and Jodie Arrott were elected to the Bronte ISD Board of Trustees.

5. ISSUE CERTIFICATES OF ELECTION: Certificate of Election was issued to newly elected board member, John Seales

6. ADMINISTER OATH OF OFFICE TO NEWLY ELECTED BOARD MEMBERS: Jenny Baker administered the Oath of Office as a Notary Public to John Seales.

7. REALIGNMENT OF BOARD TRUSTREES- After every Trustee election the Board must realign officers. New officers elected are Shane Kelton- President, Blake Braswell- Vice President, and Ashley Braswell- Secretary. Each officer was unanimously elected to the position with 5 ayes and 0 naves.

8. READING AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Minutes were presented and read. Motion to approve as

presented made by Blake Braswell. Seconded by David McWright. Ayes: 5, Naves: 0, Motion passed.

A break was taken from 7:30-7:33 pm.

9. APPROVE BILL LISTING: Motion to approve the bill listing for April as presented was made by Ashley Braswell and seconded by Blake Braswell. Ayes: 5, Naves: 0. Motion passed.

10. PRINCIPAL'S REPORTS:

A. Update on Activities

Mr. Barton gave an update on school activities. The end of the year is in full swing with many different activities taking place. Bronte has advanced to

State in both track (Girl's 4x200 Meter Relay) and girl's golf. Elementary will be having an AR 300 Point field trip, Field Day/ Wacky Water Day, an AR Party in the Park, End of the Year Award Ceremony, and Kindergarten Graduation. Sports, Ag, and Band will all be holding their end of year banquets. Both the 4-6 Band and High School Band will be performing concerts. The 7-12th grade will be competing in a BBQ Cook-off. The 8th grade will have their promotion on Thursday, May 18th. Mr. Barton also presented the BISD student counts. 261 total students, including 133 in elementary and 128 in 7th- 12th grade.

11. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT:

A. Graduation

Graduation will be at 7 p.m., May 19th in the new gym.

B. New Board Member Training, June Board Meeting Dates

To be determined at a later date.

C. Financial Update Mr. Siler presented the finances of the district to the Board.

District appears to be on-track financially for this year's budget. While we are spending more than we have in years past at this point, we have had some exciting expenditure's including advancing to state in Volleyball, Track, and Golf. Taxes also seem to be ahead of schedule.

ROBERT LEE INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT
1323 Hamilton, Robert Lee, Texas 76945

Dear Parent/Guardian:

Children need healthy meals to learn. **Robert Lee ISD** offers healthy meals every school day. Breakfast costs **\$2.00** lunch costs **Pre k-6 \$2.75, 7-12 \$3.00**. Your children may qualify for free meals or for reduced-price meals. Reduced price is **\$.30**, for breakfast and **\$.40** for lunch. If you received a notification letter that a child is directly certified for free meals, do not complete an application. Let the school know if any children in the household attending school are not listed in the letter.

The following questions and answers will provide additional information on how to complete the application. Complete only one application for all the students in the household and return the completed application to Samantha Burns, 1323 Hamilton, Robert Lee, Texas. If you have questions about applying for free or reduced price meals, contact Shanna Freeman, (325) 453-4555 or by email at samantha.burns@rlisd.net.

1. Who can get free meals?

• **Income**-Children can get free or reduced-price meals if a household's gross income is within the limits described on the Federal Income Eligibility Guidelines.

• **Special Assistance Program Participants**- Children in households receiving benefits from the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP), Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservations (FDPIR), or Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF), are eligible for free meals.

• **Foster**-Foster children who are under the legal responsibility of a foster care agency or court are eligible for free meals.

• **Head Start, Early Head Start, and Even Start**-Children participating in these programs are eligible for free meals.

• **Homeless, Runaway, and Migrant**-Children who meet the definition of homeless, runaway, or migrant qualify for free meals. If you haven't been told about a child's status as homeless, runaway, or migrant or you feel a child may qualify for one of these programs, please call or Aaron Hood at 325-453-4555.

• **WIC Recipient**-Children in households participating in WIC may be eligible for free or reduced price meals.

2. What if I disagree with the school's decision about my application? You should talk to school officials. You also may ask for a hearing by calling or writing to **Aaron Hood, 1323 Hamilton, Robert Lee, Texas 76945 or call (325) 453-4555.**

3. My child's application was approved last year. Do I need to fill out another one? Yes. An application is only good for that school year and the first few days of this school year. Send in a new application unless the school told you that your child is eligible for this school year.

4. If I don't qualify now, may I apply later? Yes. Apply at any time during the school year. A child with a parent or guardian who becomes unemployed may become eligible for free and reduced-price meals if the household income drops below the income limit.

5. What if my income is not always the same? List the amount that normally received. If a household member lost a job or had hours/wages reduced, use current income.

6. We are in the military. Do we report our income differently? Basic pay and cash bonuses must be reported as income. Any cash value allowances for off-base housing, food, or clothing, or Family Subsistence Supplemental Allowance payments count as income. If housing is part of the Military Housing Privatization Initiative, do not include the housing allowance as income. Any additional combat pay resulting from deployment is excluded from income.

7. May I apply if someone in my household is not a U.S. citizen? Yes. You, your children, or other household members do not have to be U.S. citizens to apply for free or reduced-price meals.

8. Will application information be checked? Yes. We may also ask you to send written proof of the reported household income.

9. My family needs more help. Are there other programs we might apply for? To find out how to apply for other assistance benefits, contact your local assistance office or 2-1-1.

If you have other questions or need help, call: Samantha Burns, Food Service Manager, (325) 453-4555. Si necesita ayuda, por favor llame al telefono: Samantha Burns, (325) 453-4555.

Sincerely,
 Samantha Burns
 Food Service Manager

INCOME ELIGIBILITY GUIDELINES FOR DETERMINING FREE AND REDUCED PRICE BENEFITS
Effective From July 1, 2017, To June 30, 2018

Family Size	Annually		Monthly		Twice per Month		Every Two Weeks		Weekly	
	Free	Reduced	Free	Reduced	Free	Reduced	Free	Reduced	Free	Reduced
1	\$15,678	\$22,311	\$1,307	\$1,860	\$654	\$930	\$603	\$859	\$302	\$430
2	\$21,112	\$30,044	\$1,760	\$2,504	\$880	\$1,252	\$812	\$1,156	\$406	\$578
3	\$26,546	\$37,777	\$2,213	\$3,149	\$1,107	\$1,575	\$1,021	\$1,453	\$511	\$727
4	\$31,980	\$45,510	\$2,665	\$3,793	\$1,333	\$1,897	\$1,230	\$1,751	\$615	\$876
5	\$37,414	\$53,243	\$3,118	\$4,437	\$1,559	\$2,219	\$1,439	\$2,048	\$720	\$1,024
6	\$42,848	\$60,976	\$3,571	\$5,082	\$1,786	\$2,541	\$1,648	\$2,346	\$824	\$1,173
7	\$48,282	\$68,709	\$4,024	\$5,726	\$2,012	\$2,863	\$1,857	\$2,643	\$929	\$1,322
8	\$53,716	\$76,442	\$4,477	\$6,371	\$2,239	\$3,186	\$2,066	\$2,941	\$1,033	\$1,471
9	\$59,150	\$84,175	\$4,930	\$7,016	\$2,466	\$3,509	\$2,275	\$3,239	\$1,138	\$1,620
10	\$64,584	\$91,908	\$5,383	\$7,661	\$2,693	\$3,832	\$2,484	\$3,537	\$1,243	\$1,769
11	\$70,018	\$99,641	\$5,836	\$8,306	\$2,920	\$4,155	\$2,693	\$3,835	\$1,348	\$1,918
12	\$75,452	\$107,374	\$6,289	\$8,951	\$3,147	\$4,478	\$2,902	\$4,133	\$1,453	\$2,067
For each additional family member add:										
	+\$5,434	+\$7,733	+\$453	+\$645	+\$227	+\$323	+\$209	+\$298	+\$105	+\$149