

MINUTES OF THE SCHOOL BOARD
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
May 20, 2019 6:30 P.M.

The Grand Saline ISD Board of Trustees met in a regular meeting this date. President Matt Strickland called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. stating that a quorum was present and the meeting had been duly called and posted in the time and manner required by law.

Board members present included: President Matt Strickland, Vice President Micah Lowe, Secretary Eddie Paul Stanley, Bear Brown, Jeremiah Carnes, Paul Moreno, and Rodney Easley

The invocation was led by Eddie Paul Stanley followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

There were no comments from the public.

Recognition: Outgoing School Board Member Rodney Easley was recognized for his 9 years of service on the GSISD School Board; Trish Copeland recognized the GSHS Bass Angles for their many accomplishments this season; Adrian Aguilar and Katy Williams introduced the boys and girls Soccer team; Coach Michael Ridge recognized Bella Strickland for Powerlifting; Coach Marc Chitty introduced the Softball team; and Coach Kinney LaPrade introduced the Baseball team. The Recipients of the Indian Award for May 20, 2019, were Hunter Koonce from the Elementary School, Layla Thompson from the Intermediate School, Addison Ridge from the Middle School, and Piper Fisher from the High School.

Reports: (1) Finance by Laura Griffith; (2) Athletic Report by Michael Ridge; (3) Special Education Report by Kim Brewington; (4) School Health Advisory Council (SHAC) by Debby Morse; (5) 2018-2019 Comprehensive Needs Assessment Survey Summaries by Debby Morse; (6) Superintendent's Report by Micah Lewis.

Following the canvassing of the school board trustee election, a motion was made by Micah Lowe and seconded by Bear Brown to approve the results of the May 4, 2019 election as declared by the summary of returns. Votes were distributed as follows: Jeremiah Carnes – 156 votes, Casey Jordan – 139 votes, and Lannie Dugan – 81 votes. A total of 217 ballots were cast. The motion carried 5:0 with Jeremiah Carnes abstaining.

The Statement of Officer was signed by new board members Casey Jordan and incumbent Jeremiah Carnes. The Oath of Office was administered by Notary Public Cindy Gibson.

Nominations were open for Board President. The meeting was turned over to Board Secretary Eddie Paul Stanley and a motion was made by Jeremiah Carnes and seconded by Bear Brown to nominate Matt Strickland. No additional nominations were made and the motion to elect Matt Strickland board president carried with 6 members voting for Mr. Strickland and Mr. Strickland abstaining. Matt Strickland resumed his presidential responsibilities for the remainder of the evening.

Nominations for Board Vice President were open. Bear Brown nominated Micah Lowe for vice president, seconded by Paul Moreno. Nominations were closed and the motion to elect Micah Lowe board vice-president carried 6:0 with Mr. Lowe abstaining.

Micah Lowe nominated Eddie Paul Stanley for Secretary. The motion was seconded by Bear Brown and the nominations were closed. The motion to elect Eddie Paul Stanley for board secretary carried 6:0 with Eddie Paul Stanley abstaining.

Consent agenda items: (1) Minutes of the April 15, 2019, Regular Board Meeting; (2) the financial report for April 2019. A motion was made by Paul Moreno and seconded by Micah Lowe to approve the consent agenda items as presented. The motion carried 7:0

A motion was made by Bear Brown and seconded by Eddie Paul Stanley to approve the 2018-2019 Application for Certification Waiver as presented. The motion carried 7:0.

A motion was made by Bear Brown and seconded by Jeremiah Carnes to approve the purchase of 240 Chromebooks, licenses, and cases from GHA Technologies in the amount of \$56,198.40. The motion carried 7:0.

Eddie Paul Stanley made a motion and seconded by Micah Lowe to approve auditors Smith-Lambright for the 2019-2020 school year. The motion carried 7:0.

A motion was made by Bear Brown and seconded by Paul Moreno to approve an extension of the depository contract with Austin Bank for an additional two year period, September 1, 2019 through August 31, 2021. The motion carried 7:0.

The board took no action on the discussion of the Property Value Lag.

A motion was made by Paul Moreno to approve up to \$27,000.00 towards the refinishing of the middle and high school gym floors. The motion was seconded by Bear Brown and carried 7:0.

The board took no action on the discussion of the Licensed Athletic Trainer.

A motion was made by Eddie Paul Stanley and seconded by Micah Lowe to give Superintendent Micah Lewis authority to hire professional personnel throughout August 2019. The motion carried 7:0.

The board adjourned into executive session May 20, 2019, at 9:28 p.m.

The board reconvened into open session May 20, 2019, at 11:09 p.m.

A motion was made by Paul Moreno and seconded by Bear Brown to approve resignations and new hires contracts for employment as presented by the Superintendent. The motion carried 7:0.

With no further business President Matt Strickland declared the meeting adjourned May 20, 2019, at 11:10 p.m.

Matt Strickland, President

Eddie Paul Stanley, Secretary