

APRIL 19, 2016 BRONTE ISD BOARD MEETING

The Bronte ISD Board of Trustees held a special called Board Meeting on April 19, 2016. Those in attendance were:

- Board Members: Shane Kelton, Nick Arrott, David McWright, Blake Braswell, Kay Styles, John Seales.
 - Administration: Tim Siler, Susan Henderson
1. **PRAYER:** The meeting was opened at 6:42 pm with a prayer by Shane Kelton.
 2. **ROLL CALL AND ESTABLISH QUOROM:** Quorum was established with 6 members present.
 11. **EXECUTIVE SESSION:** These items require a closed meeting as authorized by Section 551.001 through 551.146 of the Texas Government Code. The Board entered into executive (closed) session at 6:45 pm.

A. Personnel

1. Candidate Interviews for Principal Position.
2. Discuss / Consider Principal Candidates – Texas Government Code, Section 551.074

The Board reconvened in regular (open) session at 9:41 pm.

12. **DISCUSS / CONSIDER BOARD ACTION TO HIRE FOR PRINCIPAL POSITION:**

Nick Arrott made a motion to authorize Mr. Siler to present an offer for the open Principal's position. Motion was seconded by Blake Braswell. Ayes: 6, Nays: 0. Motion passed..

13. **DISCUSS / CONSIDER BOARD ACTION FOR HVAC REPLACEMENT PROGRAM:**

- Mr. Siler presented the notes pertaining to HVAC replacement including preliminary budget information for the 2016-2017 and 2017-2018 school years. This preliminary budget information was developed both with and without tax-rollback elections included as suggested by the board.
- Both studies clearly identified that about half of the HVAC units in the district are well beyond their useful life and should be replaced as soon as possible.
- The estimated costs of the repairs based on the studies received range from approximately \$600,000 (E3 / TASB estimate) to \$1.2 million (Trane estimate). E3 / TASB approach was for partial replacement of units while Trane suggested full replacement of all 70+ units.
- Based on a conservative scenario for the budget without a TRE for 2016-2017, BISD will have a deficit of ~\$248,000 *before* assuming the additional costs due to repairs. This deficit would be increased if the district assumed additional costs for these needed repairs. The information clearly shows that the budget deficit would be greatly reduced in the event that a TRE is passed.
- It was noted that BISD has one of the lowest tax rates in the area at \$1.04 and that a TRE would actually also increase our revenue from the state rather than decrease this revenue.
- The district has the 'correct' fund balance as suggested by the state for operating expenses. There are funds in this balance to assist with the repairs, but this would decrease the fund balance well below the operating minimum balance the district would need.
- The board discussed developing a 'HVAC Unit Replacement Program', to be done on a priority basis when funds become available in a budget year.
- No board action was taken on this item at this time.

14. **ADJOURNMENT:** Motion to Adjourn was made by David McWright and seconded by John Seales. Ayes: 6, Nays: 0. Motion passed. Meeting adjourned at 10:33 pm.