DECEMBER 8, 2016 BRONTE ISD BOARD MEETING

The Bronte ISD Board of Trustees held a regularly scheduled Board Meeting on December 8th, 2016. Those in attendance were:

- Board Members: Nick Arrott, Blake Braswell, John Seales, Ashley Braswell, Josh Schoenfield, Shane Kelton.
- Administration: Tim Siler, Josh Barton, Susan Henderson
- Guests: Heather Middleton, Maureen Youngblood, Marty Pearcy
- 1. **PRAYER:** The meeting was opened at 6:37 pm with a prayer by Nick Arrott.
- 2. <u>ROLL CALL AND ESTABLISH QUOROM</u>: Quorum was established at 6:38 p.m. with six members present. David McWright arrived at 6:39 p.m.
- 3. <u>**READING AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**</u> Minutes were presented and read. Motion to approve November minutes as presented made by Blake Braswell. Seconded by John Seales. Ayes: 7, Nayes: 0, Motion passed.
- 4. <u>**REVIEW/APPROVE BILL LISTING:**</u> Motion to approve the bill listing for November and beginning of December as presented was made by Ashley Braswell and seconded by Nick Arrott. Ayes: 7, Nayes: 0. Motion passed.
- 5. AUDIENCE ITEMS: No audience items.
- ACCEPTANCE ON BOARD MEMBER RESIGNATION: Nick Arrott submitted his resignation as he was elected County Attorney as of January 1, 2017. David McWright made a motion to accept the resignation. Josh Schoenfield seconded. Ayes: 6, Nayes: 0. Nick Arrott abstained. Motion passed.
- CONSIDER POSSIBLE ACTION(S) FOR APPOINTMENT OR ELECTION TO FILL OPEN BOARD MEMBER POSITION: David McWright made a motion to appoint Jodie Arrott as trustee to fill vacated position by Nick Arrott. Blake Braswell seconded. Ayes: 6, Nayes: 0. Nick Arrott abstained. Motion passed.
- 8. DISCUSS/APPROVE 2015-2016 AUDIT BY BURL LOWERY, CPA: Mr. Lowery gave a brief presentation of the 2015-2016 audit. He advised Bronte ISD operated within budget in all major operations. David McWright made a motion to approve the 2015-2016 audit. Blake Braswell seconded. Ayes: 7, Nayes: 0. Motion passed.

9. PRINCIPAL'S REPORT:

- A. Update on Student Activities:
 - Mr. Barton gave an update on school activities. The end of the semester and Christmas break are coming up soon and basketball is in full swing. Chromebooks for the 9-12th grade students have arrived. Santa letters are going out. Mr. Barton was proud to announce that Bronte was extremely successful at the UIL meet. The band concert will be December 15th at 7 p.m.
- B. Student Counts:
 - Mr. Barton presented the BISD student counts. 260 total students including 135 in elementary, 32 in junior high, and 93 in high school.

10. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT:

- A. Financial Report
 - Mr. Siler advised he is closing watching the revenue. Bronte ISD has fluctuated recently regarding attendance. Bronte ISD has received approximately \$13,750 from the student store and the Ag department donations.
- 11. <u>DISCUSS MARKETING PLAN FOR THE 2016/2017 SCHOOL YEAR:</u> Mr. Siler has contacted Southwest Outdoor Advertising regarding billboards/digital billboards to market Bronte ISD. He received a proposal for January-May outdoor advertising that will run approximately \$5,000. The City of Bronte has also expressed interested in marketing Bronte along with Bronte ISD. Mr. Siler wants to raise awareness of Bronte ISD and its accomplishments. He said the marketing class might make a trip to Southwest, and they are thinking of taking a survey from the students about what they like most about BISD to use in the marketing materials.
- 12. <u>DISCUSS/APPROVE BY RESOLUTION TO CAST BALLOT FOR BOARD OF DIRECTOR FOR THE RUNNELS COUNTY</u> <u>APPRAISAL DISTRICT:</u> Nick Arrott made the motion to cast all 84 votes to Deanna Reed. Josh Schoenfield seconded. Ayes: 7, Nayes: 0. Motion passed.

13. **DISCUSS/APPROVE RETAINER WITH LAW FIRM WALSH GALLEGOS:** Bronte ISD is currently and has in the past used the law firm of Walsh Gallegos. The fees and attorney remain the same if the retainer is approved. Ashley Braswell made a motion to approve the retainer with Walsh Gallegos. David McWright seconded. Ayes: 7, Nayes: 0. Motion Passed.

13b: <u>DISCUSS/APPROVE INTERNET SAFETY POLICY</u>: Josh Schoenfield made a motion to approve the Internet Safety Policy as presented. John Seales seconded. Ayes: 7, Nayes: 0. Motion passed.

- 14. **EXECUTIVE SESSION:** These items require a closed meeting as authorized by Section551.001 through 551.146 of the Texas Government Code. The Board entered into executive session at 7:35 p.m. and came out at 8:06 p.m. with Nick Arrott exiting the meeting at 7:47 p.m. due to a time conflict with the City Council meeting.
 - A. Personnel
- 1. Discuss Personnel Matters with Superintendent.
- 2. To deliberate the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline or dismissal of a public officer or employee
- 15. **CONSIDER POSSIBLE ACTION ON MATTERS DISCUSSED IN EXECUTIVE SESSION, IF NEEDED:** Coach Rider is resigning as of December 16th. Mr. Siler recommended hiring Kaci Follis on a probationary contract for the remainder of the 16-17 school year. Blake Braswell made the motion to hire Kaci Follis on the probationary contract and Ashley Braswell seconded. Ayes: 6, Nayes: 0. Motion passed.

16. CORRESPONDENCE:

- A. January Board Meeting-TAPR Hearing
 - TAPR Hearing will take place January 12th at 7 p.m. with the board meeting immediately following.
- 17. <u>ADJOURNMENT</u>: Blake Braswell made a motion to adjourn the meeting and Josh Schoenfield seconded. Ayes: 6, Nayes: 0, Motion passed. Meeting adjourned at 8:09 pm.