

Minutes of the Board Meeting of June 15, 2023.
Richards Independent School District

The Board of Trustees of Richards Independent School District met in a regularly scheduled meeting on Thursday, June 15, 2023, in the cafeteria of the school at 7:00 PM.

Members present included: Jeannine Shead, Wendy Graves, Beau Conner, Britney Ketkoski, Benny Lewis, and Phillip Burnett.

Also present: Superintendent Bill Boyce

Agenda Item #1: Jeannine Shead called the roll and meeting to order at 7:03 PM

Agenda Item #2: Phillip Burnett gave the invocation.

Agenda Item #3: Phillip Burnett made the motion and Beau Connor seconded to approve the minutes from the regularly scheduled board meeting held on May 25, 2023. Motion passed to approve the minutes unanimously.

Agenda Item #4: The oath of office was administered, and Dan Hardin was sworn in by Mr. Boyce as a new board member.

Agenda Item #5: Wendy Graves recognized the guests and visitors. The PTO was thanked for providing snacks.

Agenda Item #6: No community comments.

Agenda Item #7: Superintendent Boyce provided the tax collection report. He stated that he spoke with Montgomery County about the tax report remaining at 86%. Montgomery County explained that there are three tracts of land on Bays Chapel Road that are currently delinquent resulting in the current low collection percentage.

Agenda Item #8: Principal's report. N/A

Agenda Item #9 Superintendent Boyce provided a construction report and bond update. He stated that the last part of asbestos abatement is being completed. We are one week ahead of schedule.

Agenda Item #10: Dan Hardin was welcomed to the Board and the PTO was thanked again for the snacks provided.

Agenda Item #11: Nominations were taken for the reorganization of the Board. Jeannine Shead nominated Wendy Graves for Board President and Benny Lewis seconded. Wendy Graves nominated Britney Ketkoski for Board Secretary and Jeannine Shead seconded. Phillip Burnett made the motion to accept the reorganization of the board and Benny Lewis seconded the motion. Motion Passed Unanimously.

Agenda Item #12: No Budget Amendments

Agenda Item #13: Phillip Burnett made the motion to approve the payment of bills and Britney Ketkoski seconded the motion. Motion Passed unanimously.

Agenda item #14: Superintendent Boyce requested a review of the 2023-2024 Richards ISD out of District Transfer applications. Jeannine Shead made a motion to approve the applications and Beau Conner seconded. The motion passed unanimously, and all 56 transfer applications were approved.

Agenda item #15: Superintendent Boyce asked the board to consider approval of TACS membership. TACS is the Texas Association of Community Schools and membership costs \$400 per year. Phillip Burnett made a motion to approve, and Jeannine Shead seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

Agenda item #16: Superintendent Boyce requested for the board to consider a PK tuition of \$350 per month, explaining that these extra funds could allow for an aide to be hired. Britney Ketkoski made the motion to approve adopting a PK tuition and Beau Conner seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Agenda item #17: Superintendent Boyce requested the board to consider approval of the ESSA Grant Funding. No action was needed or taken by the board.

Agenda Item #18: Jeannine Shead made a motion to give Superintendent Boyce authority to issue open position contracts for the month of July. Phillip Burnett seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

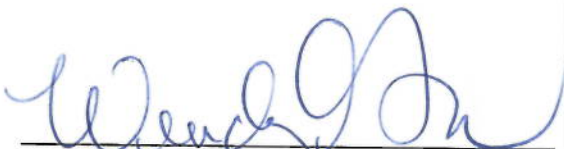
Agenda Item #19: After a discussion, Jeannine Shead made a motion to reschedule the next board meeting to July 28th at 7:00 PM. Beau Conner seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

Agenda Item #20: At 7:42 PM the board convened into executive session.

Agenda Item #21: The Board reconvened in open session at 8:24 PM. A motion was made to accept Bailee Yargo's probationary contract and Mr. Boyce 3-year contract. Britney Ketkoski made the motion to accept the contracts and Benny Lewis seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Agenda Item #2: A motion was made to accept Ashley Saffle's resignation. Phillip Burnett made the motion and Britney Ketkoski Seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Agenda Item #3: Phillip Burnett made the motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:27 PM and Britney Ketkoski seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.


Wendy Graves, President


Britney Ketkoski, Secretary

Jeannine Shead, Vice, President

Board Member