

**MINUTES OF  
BENJAMIN ISD  
BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
REGULAR MEETING  
MONDAY, MAY 9, 2022  
6:00 P.M.  
SCHOOL LIBRARY**

The Benjamin ISD Board of Trustees met in regular session on Monday, May 9, 2022.

President Stephen Kuehler convened the meeting at 6:04 p.m.

Members present were Enrique Acevedo, Michele Barrientez, Stephen Kuehler, Pate Meinzer, Sal Silva, Tyler Weatherford, Amy White.

Members absent: None

Also present: Interim Superintendent Gordon Thomas, Bert Moffitt, Jason Pharr, E. Paul Bownds

The meeting was called to order by Stephen Kuehler, Board President.

At 6:05, public meeting was held to consider final version of proposed District of Innovation Plan renewal.

At 6:09, Statement of Officer for newly elected board members was given by Michele Barrientez and Tyler Weatherford.

At 6:10, Oath of Office for newly elected board members was given by Michele Barrientez and Tyler Weatherford.

At 6:11, Pate Meinzer made the motion to elect Stephen Kuehler as board president, Pate Meinzer as board vice-president, and Michele Barrientez as board secretary for 2022-2023. Motion was seconded by Sal Silva.. Motion carried 7-0.

At 6:13, Bert Moffitt discussed future designs/plans for Phases 2 & 3 of bond project.

At 6:28, Jason Pharr discussed punch list, bond construction Phase 1, and watering system.

At 7:11, discussed 30' X 40' building/bus barn project.

At 7:22, Pate Meinzer made the motion to rescind adoption of 2017 International Building Code. Motion was seconded by Tyler Weatherford. Motion carried 7-0.

At 7:23, Sal Silva made the motion to comply with TEC 61.1040 "School Facilities Standards For Construction On Or After November 1, 2021". Motion seconded by Pate Meinzer. Motion carried 7-0.

At 7:24, Tyler Weatherford made the motion to mutually agree with architect to design in compliance with TEC 61.1040 and amend the AE Agreement accordingly. Motion seconded by Amy White. Motion carried 7-0.

At 7:27, Tyler Weatherford made the motion to approve adding Rip-Rap to stairs and headwall at football/track stadium. Motion was seconded by Amy White. Motion carried 7-0.

At 8:04, Pate Meinzer made the motion to approve the minutes of the regular April 12, 2022 meeting, the special “called” meeting on May 2, 2022, and the payment of all current bills by consent agenda. Motion was seconded by Tyler Weatherford. Motion carried 7-0.

At 8:05, the monthly financial report was presented by Gordon Thomas

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At 8:14, Tyler Weatherford made the motion to approve budget amendments as presented. Motion was seconded by Amy White. Motion carried 7-0.

At 8:22, Amy White made the motion to approve resolution to give superintendent final hiring authority of contractual personnel during summer. Motion was seconded by Pate Meinzer. Motion carried 7-0.

At 8:23, Enrique Acevedo made the motion to approve District of Innovation Plan renewal. Motion was seconded by Sal Silva. Motion carried 7-0.

At 8:24, Stephen Kuehler made the motion to approve legal services agreement with Powell Law Group, LLP for 2022-2023. Motion was seconded by Pate Meinzer. Motion carried 7-0.

At 8:25, Pate Meinzer made the motion to approve Claims Administrative Services as the workers’ compensation insurance carrier for 2022-2023. Motion was seconded by Tyler Weatherford. Motion carried 7-0.

At 8:26, Tyler Weatherford made the motion to approve the Instructional Materials Allotment and TEKS Certification for 2022-2023. Motion was seconded by Pate Meinzer. Motion carried 7-0.

At 8:27, Gordon Thomas reported on the state track meet, STAAR testing, and end of year activities. He also discussed student drug testing.

At 8:48, Sal Silva made the motion to move into executive session. Motion was seconded by Michele Barrientez. Motion carried 7-0.

At 9:14, Tyler Weatherford made the motion to move out of executive session. Motion was seconded by Amy White. Motion carried 7-0.

At 9:15, Pate Meinzer made the motion to accept resignation of Shannon Waters. Motion was seconded by Tyler Weatherford. Motion carried 7-0.

At 9:16, Sal Silva made the motion to adjourn. Motion was seconded by Amy White. Motion carried 7-0.

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President

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Secretary