

**WALNUT SPRINGS ISD
P.O. BOX 63
WALNUT SPRINGS, TX 76690**

**Pat Garrett, Superintendent
Lonnie Flippen, Principal
Christy Halbert, Principal**

**Board of Trustees:
Brent Prescher, President
Joe Herring, Vice President
Johnnie Billman, Secretary
Lanelle Galindo
Linda Hargrove
Lauren Ortega
Clint Pullin**

- A. The Board of Trustees of the Walnut Springs ISD convened in a Regular meeting on Thursday, June 11, 2020, at 6:30 p.m. in the staff workroom.**

Presiding Officer: President Brent Prescher

**Board Members: Joe Herring
Johnnie Billman
Linda Hargrove
Lauren Ortega**

**Absent Members: Lanelle Galindo
Clint Pullin**

School Official: Pat Garrett, Superintendent

**Others Present: Christy Halbert
Karen Prescher**

With a quorum determined, President Brent Prescher called the meeting to order at 6:36 p.m.

- B. Opening Prayer was given by Brent Prescher.**

- C. Minutes of Previous Meeting**

**A motion was made by Linda Hargrove and seconded by Johnnie Billman to approve the minutes of the meeting held on May 14, 2020.
Motion carried 5-0-0.**

- D. Public Participation – None**

Items for Consideration

1. BUDGET AMENDMENT

None

2. PAYMENT OF BILLS

A motion was made by Lauren Ortega and seconded by Johnnie Billman to pay the bills.

Motion carried 5-0-0.

3. ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

Mrs. Halbert reported the following:

- Final Report Cards were mailed out.
- Summer School started on June 8th.
- End of Year Reports.
- Student registration for 2020-2021.

Mr. Flippen reported the following:

- Summer School
- Student workouts in the old gym starting June 15th.

4. SUMMER CLEANING

Ms. Garrett reported the following:

- Cleaning and waxing floors.
- Classrooms emptied to allow for cleaning, repairs, painting and vents in doors.
- Evaluating school supplies on hand.
- Room assignments may change to accommodate 6 ft. social distancing.
- Using additional rooms to accommodate social distancing in the cafeteria.
- Change doors at the end of the Elementary Hall.
- Repair Gym doors.
- Football field repairs include change lights and speaker, add rail to middle of the home stands, and may change the scoreboard.

5. 3 YEAR OLD PRE K

Ms. Garrett reported eleven 4 year olds returning to PreK. She stated that due to the 6 ft spacing requirement the district may not be able to accommodate 3 year olds in the 2020-2021 school year.

6. WAIVER – READING INSTRUMENTS GUIDANCE

Ms. Garrett reported due to disruptions to the 2019-2020 school year and possible disruptions to the 2020-2021 school year resulting from COVID-19, districts may request a one year waiver in order to continue to use the reading diagnostic instruments they used in the 2019-2020 school year or another instrument approved by a local district board of trustees in order to best meet student needs in the 2020-2021 school year. She recommended that the board approve the waiver to continue using the reading diagnostic instruments used during the 2019-2020 school year.

A motion was made by Johnnie Billman and seconded by Linda Hargrove to continue using the reading diagnostic instruments used during the 2019-2020 school year.

Motion carried 5-0-0.

7. WAIVER – PARENT NOTICE REQUIREMENTS for STUDENTS at RISK of FAILURE

Ms. Garrett reported that notices for students who may fail should be given out by the last day of school. Since grades will not be completed until after the end of school this year a waiver has been extended, the waiver allows the school to give notice of students at risk of failure prior to the beginning of next year.

A motion was made by Linda Hargrove and seconded by Lauren Ortega to approve the waiver concerning parent notice requirements for students at risk of failure.

Motion carried 5-0-0.

8. PUBLIC HEARING / PRESENTATION of DISTRICT of INNOVATION

Ms. Garrett reported on the comments that were received from the parents, teachers, and community members concerning the school's District of Innovation plan. She recommended that the district proceed to post the District of Innovation plan on the website.

A motion was made by Johnnie Billman and seconded by Linda Hargrove to proceed with the District of Innovation plan.

Motion carried 5-0-0.

9. 2020 – 2021 School Calendar

Ms. Garrett presented the tentative calendar for the 2020 – 2021 school year. She stated that this calendar is pending no other changes from TEA.

A motion was made by Johnnie Billman and seconded by Lauren Ortega to approve the 2020 – 2021 school calendar.

Motion carried 5-0-0.

10. DISPOSAL of OBSOLETE PROPERTY

Ms. Garrett reported the district has several metal filing cabinets that are broken and will be disposed of in the weekly trash pickup.

11. DRESS CODE – STAFF / STUDENTS

Ms. Garrett reported that no changes were made and recommended that that the dress codes for staff and students be approved as is.

A motion was made by Johnnie Billman and seconded by Linda Hargrove to approve the dress code as is.

Motion carried 5-0-0.

12. DESIGNEE FOR ALTERNATE TEASE ACCOUNT

Ms. Garrett requested that the Board authorize Karen Prescher to act as superintendent designee for approving staff requests for access to one or more TEA web applications accessed through the Texas Education Agency Secure Environment (TEASE). This authorization is valid for the calendar year starting September 1, 2020 through August 31, 2021.

A motion was made by Lauren Ortega and seconded by Linda Hargrove to authorize Karen Prescher to act as superintendent designee for approving staff requests for access to one or more TEA web applications accessed through the Texas Education Agency Secure Environment (TEASE) from September 1, 2020 through August 31, 2021.

Motion carried 4-0-1. (Brent Prescher abstained due to conflict of interest.)

13. CIPA / INTERNET USE POLICY

Ms. Garrett completed the questionnaire concerning internet compliance. She stated that all controls are in place and the district is CIPA compliant. She recommended that no changes be made to the internet use policy.

A motion was made by Johnnie Billman and seconded by Joe Herring to approve the Internet Use Policy as presented by Ms. Garrett.

Motion carried 5-0-0.

14. SALARY SCALE / SALARIES 2020 – 2021

Ms. Garrett reported that the state minimum salary schedule for teachers did not change from last year. She recommended that the local longevity stipend pay for teachers remain the same.

A motion was made by Joe Herring and seconded by Lauren Ortega to leave the local longevity pay for teachers as is for the 2020 – 2021 school year.

Motion carried 5-0-0.

Ms. Garrett presented the salary options for auxillary / at will employees from a 1% raise to a 3% raise.

A motion was made by Johnnie Billman and seconded by Linda Hargrove to approve a 3% raise for auxillary / at will employees for the 2020 – 2021 school year.

Motion carried 4-0-1. (Brent Prescher abstained due to conflict of interest.)

15. EXECUTIVE SESSION: An executive/closed session was held pursuant to Section 551.074 of Government Code to deliberate the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline, resignation, or employment action with regard to personnel – teachers.

In Session at 7:12 p.m.

Out of Session at 7:29 p.m.

16. DISCUSSION and/or ACTION on ITEM #15.

Ms. Garrett made a recommendation to offer Joe Allred a 10 month probationary teacher contract for the 2020 – 2021 school year.

A motion was made by Joe Herring and seconded by Linda Hargrove to offer Joe Allred a 10 month probationary teacher contract for the 2020 – 2021 school year.

Motion carried 5-0-0.

17. ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Johnnie Billman and seconded by Lauren Ortega to adjourn at 7:31 p.m.

Motion carried 5-0-0.

PASSED BY VOTE AND APPROVED this 15th day of July, 2020.

REQUIRED:



Brent Prescher
Board President
Walnut Springs ISD



Johnnie Billman
Board Secretary
Walnut Springs ISD