# **Minutes**

REGULAR MEETING and PUBLIC HEARING DECEMBER 13, 2017 WEDNESDAY, 6:45 P.M. LOHN TABERNACLE

1. Call to order.

7:00 P.M.

2. Call roll and establish a quorum.

Mr. Pearce absent.

3. Hear from audience.

Present – Nell Ellis, Jane Penn, Connie Locklear, Bill Spiller, Connie Neal, Neal Ulmer, Dan Casey with Moak, Casey @ Associates (Austin, TX) and Sam Gregson with Cummings Westlake LLC. (Cypress, TX)

4. Approve minutes of previous meeting.

Mr. Ellis made motion to approve minutes with Mr. Hemphill 2<sup>nd</sup>. Motion carried unanimously.

5. Resolution in recognition of service for Heart of Texas Education Cooperative.

A. Discussion/Action on approving resolution for Heart of Texas Education Cooperative. Mr. Ellis made motion to approve resolution for Heart of Texas Education Cooperative with Ms. Frost 2<sup>nd</sup>. Motion carried unanimously.

B. Presentation of resolution.

Mr. Swenson presented appreciation awards to Ms. Neal, Ms. Locklear and Ms. Penn with the Heart of Texas Education Cooperative in recognition of providing their assistance to special education services within the L.I.S.D.

6. Discussion/Action on Amended Agreement for a Limitation on Appraised Value of Property for School District Maintenance and Operations Taxes for Heart of Texas Wind, LLC. Mr. Casey presented and reviewed with the board a handout of the Estimated Financial Impact of the #1129 – Heart of Texas Wind Chapter 313 Property Value Limitation of M&O taxes. He reported that the 1<sup>st</sup> payment to Lohn I.S.D. would be January 2020. Mr. Gregson reported that the H.O.T. Wind Project is projected to start as soon as Rattlesnake Wind Project is completed. Additionally, Mr. Casey presented/discussed with board, a handout, Conflicts of Interest Disclosure Procedure. In conclusion, Mr. Casey polled the board with each member expressing "no conflict" with the H.O.T. Wind Project. Mr. Hemphill made motion to approve Amended Agreement for a Limitation on Appraised

Value of Property for School District Maintenance and Operations Taxes for Heart of Texas Wind, LLC. Mr. Ellis 2<sup>nd</sup>. Motion carried unanimously.

#### 7. Personnel.

A. Discussion/Action on employee appreciation incentives.

Ms. Frost made motion to approve \$50 Wal-Mart gift cards to district employees with Mr. Hemphill 2<sup>nd</sup>. Motion carried unanimously.

B. Other.

Mrs. Rush has made arrangements for Mr. Carter to observe PE classes in other districts for ideas to improve instructional strategies in our PE classes.

8. Public Hearing on Lohn ISD Financial Integrity Rating System of Texas.

Public hearing started @ 8:22 P.M.

Board reviewed handout of the 2016-17 L.I.S.D. Financial Integrity Rating System of Texas report. (Ratings based on school year 2015-16) L.I.S.D. received a rating of A=Superior and a district score of 100.

Public hearing closed at 8:31 P.M.

9. Discussion/Action on Interlocal Agreement between Lohn ISD and Brady ISD concerning student transportation.

Board discussed item and no action was taken.

10. Pay bills.

Mr. Ellis made motion to pay bills with Ms. Martin 2nd. Motion carried unanimously.

11. Principal's report.

A. Activity calendar.

Ms. Rush presented and reviewed the activity calendar which included activities through 01/26/2017.

B. Student discipline.

Ms. Rush is working with teachers who are having recurring difficulties in their classrooms. No other issues were reported.

C. Other.

Ms. Rush presented the board a proposal of the senior class plan for a cruise that includes stops in Cozumel, and Progresso, Mexico for their senior trip. The class was also seeking approval for Mr. Carter and Ms. Collier to attend as sponsors/chaperones for the trip. Board had no issues with the request.

Ms. Rush also informed the board that substitute teachers were in need.

Additionally, Ms. Rush is attending classes in assisting maximizing teaching skills in the classroom and providing feedback to the teachers.

### 12. Superintendent's report.

A. Discuss Texas Academic Performance Report for 2016-17.

Mr. Freeman presented and reviewed the Texas Academic Performance Report for 2016-17. L.I.S.D. 2017 accountability rating: Met Standard.

L.I.S.D. Special Education Determination Status: Meets Requirements

### B. Update on district vehicles.

Mr. Freeman reported that the small school bus, that has been at Heart of Texas Ford dealership for 2 months, was back and running the route to Melvin. Total cost for complete repairs was \$5,518.08.

#### C. Other.

Mr. Freeman reported on the former business managers property, which included her home, had sold. The federal government has suggested that L.I.S.D. take possession of the Suburban vehicle on the sold property. The board agreed to accept the vehicle when appropriate paperwork and vehicle title were presented with L.I.S.D. named as owner. L.I.S.D. auditor has completed the on-campus portion of the annual audit. The audit will be presented at the January board meeting which was rescheduled to January 11, 2018 @ 6:30 P.M.

## 13. Adjourn.

Ms. Martin made motion to adjourn with Ms. Frost 2nd. Motion carried unanimously.

President of Board

Secretary of Board

Date of Approval