

Terrell County Independent School District
Sanderson, Texas 79848

Meeting Minutes from October 26, 2021, Board Meeting

The Terrell County Independent School District convened on Tuesday, October 26, 2021, at 7:30 P.M., in the conference room at the Sanderson High School, 302 North Second Street, Sanderson, Texas.

Trustees Present:

Mr. Thaddeus Cleveland, President
Mr. Clay Houston, Vice President
Mr. Fernando Sanchez, Jr., Secretary
Mrs. Sharon Wolfe
Mrs. Lali Ortiz

Trustees Absent:

Mr. Marco Fuentez
Mr. Chase McCrory

Administration Present: Amanda Magallan, Superintendent; Blain Chriesman, CFO; Sam Magallan, Director of School Operations/Interim Athletic Director; Violita McDonald, Nurse

Others Present: Several students and parents from various grades were in attendance to receive and observe the presentation of school excellence awards. Nathan Lester was also in attendance.

Regular Meeting

A quorum was established with Mr. Thaddeus Cleveland presiding. The meeting was called to order at 7:30 P.M.

Student Recognition: Mrs. Magallan announced the Elementary, Junior and High School Excellence Awards.

Public Comments/Audience Participation TCISD Policy BED (LOCAL):

Nathan Lester informed the Board that he had an electrician fix the GFIs, grounding of the breaker box, added junction box to lose wires in the attic and replaced the vanity light. Mr. Lester also informed the Board that he added piers under the flooring in the laundry room, bathroom, and the addition to the house. Mr. Lester also stated that he believed that Mr. Creighton, the home inspector, listed the pier issues as having problems if there was heavy rainfall in the future, the house could have problems.

At this time the Board decided to move the action item regarding the 402 E. Mansfield house to this portion of the meeting.

Mrs. Wolfe asked Mr. Lester if he planned to have the house reinspected upon completion of all discrepancies that were listed in the report. Mr. Lester agreed to have it reinspected.

Mr. Sanchez asked if the modifications to the house would affect the previously established price of the home. Mr. Lester stated that it would not affect the price.

Mr. Houston reemphasized that property needed to be reinspected.

Mr. Lester stated that Mr. Creighton wasn't clear on the addition. Mr. Lester believes the addition to the house was built with an intentional down ramp.

Mrs. Magallan provided information from the School's Attorney, which included the following:

- Repairs are negotiable.
- Older homes have more defects and are nonissues with regards to liability.
- Electrical issues should be fixed, and repairs negotiated.
- The school is immune from premises liabilities.
- Imperative to get the piers, electrical and leaking water issues repaired prior to purchase.

Mrs. Magallan informed the Board that TASB stated the house would be insurable and that the survey had been completed.

Mr. Lester agreed to split the reinspection of the home with the District 50/50.

Discussion and Possible Approval of any additional negotiations for the house at 402 E. Mansfield – Mr. Houston motioned to approve the splitting of the reinspection fees of the 402 E. Mansfield property 50/50 with Mr. Lester. Mrs. Wolfe seconded the motion, and the motion was unanimously approved.

District Reports:

Counselor Report – On the agenda, but no report given.

SHAC Report – Mrs. McDonald provided information on the recent SHAC meeting as well as training she attended regarding mental health on October 14, 2021. She also informed the Board that due to COVID the movie nights were cancelled last year and that they planned to start movie night up again and were also planning a dance. Mrs. McDonald also provided a nurses report and informed the Board of the upcoming Red Ribbon Week as well as COVID protocols.

Athletics Report – Mr. Magallan provided information Cross Country, High School and Junior High Football as well as Girl's High School and Junior High Basketball. Mr.

Magallan thanked Mr. Sanchez for the assistance with the new basketball goals and informed the Board there were issues with the lights at the tennis courts, which should be remedied soon.

Transportation and Maintenance Report – Mr. Magallan provided the Board with updates on the District’s fleet and facilities. He also provided information regarding recent facility inspections by TASB and IPM, which he will share the notes with the Board. Mr. Magallan also gave kudos to the District’s maintenance personnel.

Financial Report – Mr. Chriesman provided the Board with monthly bills, checks, budget planning, and a single budget amendment.

Superintendent Report – Mrs. Magallan provided information on enrollment (133), Red Ribbon Week (October 25-29), progress monitoring and Data (1st six weeks), PEIMS Snapshot Date (October 29, 2021), Melvin Adams Student Assembly (November 12, 2021), TNMP grant, COVID updates, out of office (October 28, 29, and November 1), permanent school fund project progress report.

Consent Agenda:

Mr. Houston motioned to approve the consent agenda. Mr. Sanchez seconded the motion, and the consent agenda was unanimously approved.

Action Items:

Mrs. Magallan presented the following:

Discussion and Possible Approval of the ESL Waiver – Mr. Houston motioned to approve the ESL Waiver. Mrs. Ortiz seconded the motion, and the motion was unanimously approved.

Discussion and Possible Approval of a Calendar Modification (Graduation Date Change) – Mr. Houston motioned to approve the calendar modification for a graduation date change. Mrs. Wolfe seconded the motion, and the motion was unanimously approved.

Discussion and Possible Approval of the 4H Organization being sanctioned as an extracurricular activity and Interim County Extension Agent Being Granted Adjunct Faculty Staff Member Status – Mr. Houston motioned to approve the 4H organization being sanctioned as an extracurricular activity and interim County Extension Agent being granted adjunct faculty staff member status. Mr. Sanchez seconded the motion, and the motion was unanimously approved.

Discussion and Possible Approval to purchase a Fountas and Pinnell Guided Reading Library (ESSER) – Mrs. Ortiz motioned to purchase the Fountas and Pinnell guided

reading library with ESSER funding. Mr. Houston seconded the motion, and the motion was unanimously approved.

Discussion and Possible Approval of the 2021-2022 Campus/District Improvement Plan – Mr. Houston motioned to approve the 2021-2022 Campus/District Improvement Plan. Mrs. Wolfe seconded the motion, and the motion was unanimously approved.

Discussion and Possible Approval of a Secondary English Textbook Adoption – Mr. Houston motioned to approve the adoption of a secondary English textbook. Mrs. Wolfe seconded the motion, and the motion was unanimously approved.

Executive Session:

Pursuant to Texas Governmental Code §551, the Board retired to closed session at 8:48 P.M., for discussion of the items listed below

- Personnel Issues
- School Safety
- Grievances

At 8:53 P.M., the Board returned to open meeting.

Adjourn:

A motion was made by Mr. Houston and seconded by Mrs. Ortiz to adjourn the meeting. The adjournment was unanimously approved. Mr. Cleveland adjourned the meeting at 8:54 P.M.

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Thaddeus Cleveland
President

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Fernando Sanchez, Jr.
Secretary