

TIOGA SCHOOL BOARD OF TRUSTEES
Regular Board Meeting
December 12th, 2022 7:00 p.m.
Tioga High School Library

- I. Meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Board President, Paul Rodarmer.
Members present were: Paul Rodarmer, Stacy Price, Dugan Rainey, Ryan Walters, Dallas Slay, Brandon Miller and Mica Bates
Tioga ISD Administration Present: Josh Ballinger, Jana Smith & Sondra Hall
- II. Invocation and Pledge were led by Dugan Rainey
- III. Open Public Comments: Jamie Chamberlain – regarding budget cuts
- IV. Interim Superintendent's Report
 - A. Enrollment – 720 which will be used for our ADA submission
 - MAP program runs regularly 10-15 students on Mondays with all but two being staff kids
 - B. School Safety Training Update – Six new candidates for the School Defender program were training this past weekend and all passed. There were 45 staff members that were interested in completing the program at the beginning of the year and we will continue training as scheduling permits.
 - C. TEA Contact Update – Tioga ISD is under TEA Fiscal Management Review. TEA has requested documentation which the District Administration has submitted. TEA will provide us with a recommendation on how to move forward.
 - D. Establishment of Tioga Education Foundation – Several Tioga ISD parents have taken on establishing the Tioga Education Foundation. (Jamie Chamberlain, Liz Kemp and Jordyn Miller)
Jamie Chamberlain advised that they are currently looking at non-traditional ways to create revenue for the district. They have attended a workshop (Foundation of Innovation). The foundations primary goal at this time will be in helping Tioga ISD to become financially solvent. The foundation is a separate entity from Tioga ISD and is setup as a 501c3. Their website is:
TiogaEducationFoundation.org
- V. District Update
 - A. Jana Smith updated on current happenings through the elementary/middle school campus
 - UIL event hosted by Tioga
 - Book Fair sold over \$10,000 and ½ of it back to the school
 - Pre-K through 1st Christmas Program & MS Winter Concert this week
 - Practice for STAAR testing online taking place and going well
 - Elementary/Middle School PASSED the TEA Intruder Visit
 - Angel Tree Program wrapping up and being distributed this week.
 - B. Keith Kirkland – updated regarding recent activities and happenings at the High School:
 - Veteran's Day Pep Rally at the High School was a success

- Students are wrapping up 1st semester exams this week
- Dual Credit College classes ended last week – we’ve received good feedback from their professors
- Prepping students for End of Course (EOC) testing
- Looking at attendance incentives for 2nd Semester
- High School Winter Contest later this week
- Girls and Boys Basketball in full swing
- More emphasis will be placed on HS UIL participation
- UIL Congress representatives will compete at State level in January
- New event – Junior Class Ring Ceremony & Influential Educator Event this Wednesday at 6 PM – open to Public

C. Athletic Report

- Mr. Kirkland advised that Chad Rogers was named a Finalist in the FCA Landry Award

D. Business/Finance Report – Sondra Hall

- October check register and deposit reports were distributed along with current bank account balances report.

VI. Discussion and/or Action Items

A. Public hearing on the annual financial management report for fiscal year 2021 as it relates to the Financial Integrity Rating System of Texas (FIRST) rating for '21-'22

B. Discussion regarding placement order of open forum for public comment on monthly agenda. Motion made by Brandon Miller and seconded by Dugan Rainey to keep the open forum at the beginning of the meetings and to add a second time for open forum before executive session. The motion carried unanimously. (7-0).

C. Discussion held regarding the adoption of Board Policy Update 119. Motion made by Brandon Miller and seconded by Stacy Price to adopt the Board Policy Update 119. The motion carried unanimously. (7-0)

D. Discussed the potential selling of surplus facilities and the appropriate advertisement of such facilities for sale that includes stadium lighting, stadium bleachers and metal building structures that are not currently erected.

- Motion was made by Dallas Slay and seconded by Stacy Price to approve Josh Ballinger to put out a Public Post for the sale of school surplus as described above in Item D. The motion carried unanimously. (7-0)

E. Financial Committee Updates as they relate to independent research Update by Brandon Miller:

- Recommends making financial and personnel cuts immediately, better now than in February
- Wants the district to continue with transparency.

- F. Motion was made by Dallas Slay and seconded by Ryan Walters to approve the budget amendment(s) that require out of function adjustments allowing the transfer of \$164,183.89 for the General Operating account to the Debt Service account.
- G. Motion was made by Dugan Rainey; seconded by Stacy Price to approve with a single motion, the December check payments, bank financial reports and minutes from the previous meetings. The motion passed unanimously (7-0)

Board entered Executive Session at 8:34 p.m. and ended at 10:20 p.m.

VII. Executive Session

Board entered Open Session 10:21 p.m.

VIII. Action Regarding Matters discussed in executive session

- Motion was made by Brandon Miller and seconded by Dallas Slay that directed Josh Ballinger, Interim Superintendent, to immediately RIF \$1.5 Million in Annualized TISD Staff Payroll by Wednesday, December 14 at 2:00 PM. The motion carried unanimously. (7-0)

With no further business, the Board adjourned at 10:22 p.m. – Motion was made by Stacy Price, seconded by Ryan Walters. The motion carried unanimously. (7-0)



Paul Redarmier, Board President



Ryan Walters, Board Secretary

Stacy Price

Vice President