



## Board of Education Meeting Notes

May 8, 2023

### RECOGNITIONS



#### CASTLEBERRY HIGH SCHOOL - SALUTATORIAN

Cathy Williams, principal of Castleberry High School, recognized the class of 2023 salutatorian, Hajar Z., who has a 5.336 GPA.

Hajar is a member of the National Honor Society, National Technical Honor Society, and the Superintendent Student Advisory Committee. She has excelled academically while enrolled in Advanced Placement, University of Texas OnRamps, Texas State Technical College, and Tarrant County College Dual Credit courses earning a total of 34.5 credits.

Hajar plans on attending Vanderbilt University or TCU and major in Neuroscience.

[Watch Presentation](#)



#### CASTLEBERRY ISD FINE ARTS PROGRAM

Fine Arts students from Irma Marsh Middle School and Castleberry High School recognized students and staff for their accomplishments in Art, Band, Choir, Mariachi, and Theatre.



#### CASTLEBERRY ISD ATHLETIC DEPARTMENT

Didi Pierce, Director of Athletics, introduced coaches from Castleberry High School and Irma Marsh Middle School who recognized student athletes for their accomplishments this year.



## CONSENT AGENDA

The Board of Education voted unanimously to approve the Consent Agenda. The Consent Agenda consists of items that the Board considers routine and approves under one motion. The items approved were:

- Consider Approval of **Board Minutes** from **April 4, 2023**, for a Special Board Meeting and **April 10, 2023**, for a Regular Meeting.
- Consider Approval of **Contracting with Superior Pediatric Care** for physical/occupational and other therapy services for Special Education students for the 2023-2024 school year.
- Consider Approval of the **Purchase of Office Supplies**: Financial Services advertised RFP#23-007 for office supplies. Quill, The Tree House, Business Essentials, and Global Equipment Company was recommended as vendors.
- Consider Approval of the **ESC Region XI Support Services Contracts for 2023-2024**. These contracts include Comprehensive Services, HR Resources, Instructional Services, OnData Suite, Library Services, PEIMS and Technology Services.
- Consider Approval of the **Master Inter-Local Agreement with Region 11 Educational Service Center**. The Master Inter-Local Agreement allows Districts to participate in purchasing services through the ESC Region 11 bidding process.
- Consider Approval of **Depository Services**: Financial Services advertised RFP#23-004 for depository services. **Bank of Texas** was recommended as the vendor.
- Consider Approval of **Special Program Contractors**: Finance Services advertised RFP#23-006 for Special Program Contractors. **Epic Special Ad, IL Inizio Consulting, PLLC, Alicia Woods Audiology, Vickie Korenek, Amy Tharp Speech Services, PLLC, Superior Pediatric Care Inc., and WildFlower Music Therapy** were recommended as vendors.
- Consider Approval of **Special Education Consultants Renewal**: Financial Services advertised RFP#22-011 for the 2021-2022 fiscal year with the option of four additional years for renewal. Special Programs is pleased with the services received from the vendors. An agreement to extend special education consultant vendors for an additional 12-month period was recommended.
- Consider Approval of the **Purchase of Custodial Supplies**: Financial Services advertised RFP#23-008 for custodial supplies. **Home Depot Pro, Pollock Investments, and Complete Supply** were recommended as vendors.
- Consider Approval of the **annual Nokia NDAC support and maintenance renewal**. The Technology Operations department recommends the renewal of the district annual support and maintenance agreement with Nokia and Pierson Wireless. The total of the proposed annual renewal is \$133,160.00. This amount reflects the pricing of the Nokia HGACBuy contract. Utilizing HGACBuy for the recommended purchase meets the competitive bidding requirements for purchases greater than \$50,000.
- Consider Approval of the **Canine Team Contract with Interquest Detection Canines for 2023-2024**: The district will continue to use Interquest Detection Canines for contraband detection. The contract covers nineteen half-day visits to the district. The cost is \$350.00 per visit (an increase of \$60.00 per visit from the 2022-2023 school year).

## EDUCATIONAL LEADERSHIP

The **TRUCE Program Evaluation Report** included program highlights, improvements, and solutions for the 2022-2023 academic year.

## FINANCIAL SERVICES

The Board of Education voted unanimously to approve the **Budget Amendment**.

The School Board reviewed the **April 2023 Monthly Expenditure Report**.

**Investment Report for the quarter ending March 31, 2023**: This report showed District investments by fund for the quarter ending March 31, 2023.

**Tarrant County Tax Collection Reports for March 31, 2023**: This report reflected the amount of current and delinquent taxes, penalties, and interest collected for the months and year to date.

**Board Budget Report as of March 31, 2023**. This report showed Revenue and Expenditures by Fund and Function.



## **NEW HIRES**

**Joseph Dryden**, Biology and IPS Teacher, Castleberry High School  
**Dennis Grier**, 6th Grade Science Teacher and Coach, Irma Marsh Middle School  
**Brian Standerfer**, 5th Grade Teacher, Joy James Academy of Leadership  
**Christina Swift**, SPED CBI Teacher, Irma Marsh Middle School  
**Kirsten Willis**, Special Education Teacher, Castleberry High School  
**Kelly Yerigan**, 4th Grade Teacher, Castleberry Elementary

## **TALENT ACQUISITION**

- The Board of Education voted unanimously to approve the Professional Contracts of the Executive Director of Financial Services and the Director of Technology Operation for the 2023-2024 school.
- The Board of Education voted unanimously to approve the 2023-2024 Campus Assistant Principals, Campus Academic Leaders, and other Professional Contract Renewals.
- The Board of Education voted unanimously to approve Board Policy Update 120 with recommended LOCAL policy changes to: **CB(LOCAL)**: State and Federal Revenue Resources- Federal Awards; **CKC(LOCAL)**: Emergency Operations Plan; **DC(LOCAL)**: Employment Practices- Employment of Contractual Personnel; **FNG(LOCAL)**: Complaints- Other Complaint Processes; **FO(LOCAL)**: Corporal Punishment, Physical Restraint, Video and Audio Monitoring.
- **2023-2024 Compensation Plan**: Dr. Myrna Blanchard, Director of Talent Acquisition and Policy, gave a presentation on the 2023-2024 Compensation Plan that included proposed increases for each pay grade, teacher hiring schedule, employee longevity pay plan, substitute pay plan, and stipend and supplemental pay plans.
- **Board Policy Review Session Local Policy Updates** were recommended after the TASB Audit and Review.

## **TEACHING, LEARNING, AND INNOVATION**

Executive Director of Teaching, Learning, and Innovation Report:

- **The BrightBytes Survey Results** included a comparison of the 2022 and 2023 technology readiness survey results in the areas of access to technology, technology support, use of technology to deliver instruction and engage students, awareness of social and emotional learning (SEL), student and teacher technology proficiencies, along with providing a list of the most highly requested professional learning.
- **Library Services Update** included highlights of the services provided throughout the year along with program achievements and improvement opportunities.

## **SPECIAL PROGRAMS**

**2022-2023 Special Programs Annual Board Report** highlighted the successes and growth areas of the Special Programs Department which includes dyslexia, 504, MTSS, and special education.

## **STUDENT SERVICES**

Lenny Lasher, Assistant Superintendent of Student Services, Facilities & Operations gave a presentation on **Fentanyl Awareness and Narcan Training**.



**Castleberry Bond Planning and Timeline and Castleberry High School Design Schedule for a May 2024 Bond Election:** An update was provided by Renee Smith-Faulkner on the Timeline for Calling a Bond Election in May of 2024 along with the Design Schedule of Castleberry High School in preparation of the passage of a Bond Election.

**Castleberry ISD Bond and Communications Proposal with WRA Architects** not to exceed \$25,000 for the Castleberry High School Project was presented to the School Board.

**Capital Improvements Projects Update (2023-2024):** The report reflected work scheduled to be completed and funds expended through the 2023-2024 school year. This included programming, renovations, and construction projects.

**Replacement Plan (2023-2024):** The plan included items that will be purchased through the Replacement Plan for the 2023-2024 school year.

**Information on the RFP (CSP 23-001) (Competitive Seal Proposal)** for general contracting services for Child Nutrition renovation projects at Castleberry High School and the Gary S. Jones Administration Building.

Assistant Superintendent of Student Services, Facilities and Operations Annual Reports:

- **Auxiliary Services Report** included information on auxiliary services and activities during the 2022-2023 school year.
- **Transportation Report** included information on transportation services, statistics and activities during the 2022-2023 school year.
- **Safety and Security Annual Report** included information on safety and police department statistics during the 2022-2023 school year.
- **Nursing Program Annual Report** included information on nursing activities during the 2022-2023 school year.
- **Department of Athletics, Winter and Spring Program Evaluation** included a report on each of the winter and spring sports for the 2022-2023 school year.

## **FUTURE MEETINGS**

**May 16, 2023 - Special Board Meeting beginning at 5:30 p.m.** with a Retirement Reception Honoring Kenneth Romo

**June 5, 2023 - Regular Board Meeting beginning at 6:00 p.m.**

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The public is invited.