

REGULAR SCHOOL BOARD MEETING – DECEMBER 11, 2023  
(AGENDA POSTED: December 8, 2023, 4:00 P.M.)

Call to Order and Roll Call:

The Karnes City ISD Board of Trustees met in Regular Session on Monday, December 11, 2023, in the Karnes City ISD Board Room. Alex Kotara called the Regular Meeting to order at 6:00 pm. The following members were present: Alex Kotara, Terry Johnson, Debbie Witte, Sherry Sommer. Trini Gamez, Melissa Padron Valdez, and Mike Rosales Jr. were absent.

Awards and Recognitions:

Students of the Month for Primary, RES, Junior High and High School were recognized. Employees of the Month for Primary, RES, Junior High and High School were recognized. Agricultural Advocacy, Agricultural Issues Forum and Congress Debate were recognized as our High School Student Spotlight

Public Comments:

None

Informational Items:

Superintendent: Victor Quiroga gave a presentation regarding the next steps for selling bonds, Fivestones gave a presentation for the Silent Panic Alarm Technology, Dr. Buehring gave a update on the Adult Education Program, Sean Smith gave an update on the District Investment Policy, the facility planning will be presented at a later board meeting.

Construction: Mr. Revell gave the board an update regarding the KC Elementary and Softball construction.

Consent Agenda:

Motion was made by Sherry Sommer and seconded by Debbie Witte to approve the (Regular) November 13, 2023, and the (Special) November 17, 2023, board meeting minutes and financial reports consent agendas as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

General Operating Bills: \$1,975,625.72

Tax Collection Report: 8.27%

A recess was taken at 7:15 p.m. and the meeting resumed at 7:25 p.m.

Items for Consideration and Possible Action:

Motion was made by Terry Johnson and seconded by Debbie Witte to Adopt a Resolution expressing official intent to reimburse, with tax-exempt obligation proceeds, cost related to projects approved by the voters at the November 7, 2023, bond election as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Terry Johnson and seconded by Debbie Witte to approve the financing plan for the issuance of Unlimited Tax School Building Bonds, Series 2024 as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Debbie Witte and seconded by Sherry Sommer to approve Fivestone as the vendor for the Silent Panic Alarm Technology as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Sherry Sommer and seconded by Terry Johnson to approve AG/CM as the Professional Program Services Provider for the CTE Project and further delegate authority to the Superintendent to negotiate and execute a contract upon legal review and approval as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Terry Johnson and seconded by Debbie Witte to approve PBK Architects for the provision of Professional Architectural Services for the CTE Building Project based on their demonstrated competence and qualifications as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Sherry Sommer and seconded by Debbie Witte to approve Mooreco as the vendor to provide Furniture, Fixtures, and Equipment for the Karnes City Elementary Project as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Debbie Witte and seconded by Sherry Sommer that for the 2023-2024 school year, we delegated contractual authority to obligate the school district under Texas Education Code (TEC) §11.1511(c)(4) to the superintendent, solely for the purpose of obligating the district under TEC 48.257 and TEC, Chapter 49, Subchapters A and D, and the rules adopted by the commissioner of education as authorized under TEC, 49.006. This included approval of the Agreement for the Purchase of Attendance Credit or the Agreement for the Purchase of Attendance Credit (netting Chapter 48 Funding) as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Terry Johnson and seconded by Debbie Witte to approve the One-time Incentive Retention Stipend for district contract and at-will employees for the 2023-2024 school year as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Sherry Sommer and seconded by Terry Johnson to approve the addition/deletion to CDA(Local) as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Debbie Witte and seconded by Terry Johnson to approve the liquidation of all securities that exceed the allowable maturity threshold as per CDA(Local) as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Terry Johnson and seconded by Sherry Sommer that the board add, revise, or delete (LOCAL) Policies as offered by TASB Policy Services for consideration and according to the Instruction Sheet for TASB Localized Policy Manual Update 122 as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Sherry Sommer and seconded by Debbie Witte to approve the Resolution casting all 2498 votes for Sherry Salyer for the 2024-2025 Karnes County Appraisal District Board of Directors as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Closed Meeting pursuant to Texas Government Code Section 551.101:

Alex Kotara, Terry Johnson, Debbie Witte, and Sherry Sommer went into Closed Session at 7:57 p.m. to discuss Employment, Personnel and Consultation with Attorney. Closed Session ended at 8:48 p.m.

Reconvene from Closed Meeting and Continue with Items for Consideration and Possible Action:

Motion was made by Terry Johnson and seconded by Sherry Sommer to employ Andrea Yosko to District Registered Nurse as assigned by the district and discussed in closed session. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Terry Johnson and seconded by Debbie Witte to employ Jadion Thompson as an Art Teacher as assigned by the district and discussed in closed session. Motion carried unanimously.

Adjournment:

President Alex Kotara adjourned the meeting at 8:49 p.m.

  
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