

Wayside Board Meeting Minutes

June 20, 2024 at 6:00 PM.

Wayside: Eden Park Academy, 6215 Menchaca Road, Austin, TX 78745

Board Members Physically Present: Meredith Sembello, Cynthia Gonzalez, Nicole Trevino, and Jesus Becerra

Board Members Virtually Present: David Dunn and Elaine Candelas

Staff Members Physically Present: Matt Abbott, Marcia Molinar, Susan Pommerening, Francisco Garcia

Staff Members/Public Virtually Present: Choi Hicks, Mary Rodriguez, Kierstin Howard, Haylee Lavender, Luis Sosa

Public Physically Present: None

David Dunn called the meeting to order at 6:06 pm. Roll called to establish a quorum, and a quorum of board members were present and accounted for.

Scholar and School Feature

None, due to summer break

Public Comments:

None

Meeting Minutes

Receive and approve Minutes from April 25, and May 30, 2024 regular board meetings

David Dunn asked for a motion to approve the minutes.

Jesus Becerra moved to approve the minutes from April 25, and May 30, 2024. Meredith Sembello seconded the motion, roll call vote was taken and the motion passed unanimously.

Consent Agenda Items

a. Consent Items:

- Staff development minutes waiver for the 2023-2024 school year (Removed)

b. Consent contracts since the last board meeting:

- Assessment Intervention Management, LLC (AIM): SPED Dept.
- BryComm: IT Dept
- Food Service Management Food Authority (SFA): Taher, Inc
- Region 12 - E-Rate Consulting: IT Dept.
- Region 13 - Restorative Practices Training: STHS

David Dunn asked for a motion to approve the consent agenda.

Jesus Becerra made a motion to approve the consent agenda, Nicole Trevino seconded, a roll call vote was taken and the motion passed unanimously.

Chief Executive Officer Update

a. Fundraising and Enrollment Update for FY 24

Karlie/Maritza presented the enrollment update. Karlie was introduced as the new Enrollment Lead. Enrollment for this school year finished at about 1740. Enrollment for next year is on schedule to hit the 1900 scholar target by Sept. 1 as of today.

Liz Wrona presented a fundraising update and year in review to date as we finish the fiscal year. Wrona shared additional information on advanced discussions with MSDF for a grant to support college completion work. Our grant application has been moved to the July MSDF docket for review, pushed back from what was initially thought would be June. Wrona also shared a reminder about the Wayside Finder Social scheduled for September 5, 2024.

b. School Safety Updates and Possible Actions and Resolution(s) for HB 3 Compliance/School Safety

No Discussion or No Action Taken on this item.

c. 23/24 Superintendent Performance Review and Monitoring (Executive Session)

Scheduled for Executive Session

d. Superintendent's Salary and Contract Extension for 24/25 based on meeting board criteria in 23/24 and Resolution

This item was tabled until after the Executive Session for discussion, pending the review of 23/24 performance expectations.

Chief Academic Officer Update

a. June Academic Report and Action Plan

Susan shared that we are awaiting more reports from TEA on testing performance so that she can do a mock run of accountability. She should have all the information needed by the July board meeting to give a full report. Currently we will know our official letter grades by the beginning of August, so in time for the August Board meeting.

b. Special Education Services concerning specific student(s) (Executive Session)

Chief Talent Officer Update

a. April Talent Report

Marcia Molinar presented the June Talent report. She presented teacher retention at Wayside vs other schools in the area. Marcia presented the number of teachers to hire and the nature of the transitions

generally. Any specific staff question will be tabled for the executive session as allowable by law, if needed.

b. Concerning specific personnel issues (Executive Session)

Not needed.

Chief Operating Officer Update

a. Statement of Activities as of 5/31/2024

Francisco Garcia presented the statement of activities. Wayside is on track for local, state and EMAT funds.

b. FY 23-24 Budget Amendment

Francisco Garcia presented the proposed budget amendment for the close of FY24. The budget is showing a small deficit projected, less than 1% of revenue, but with the final state settle up in September that gap may be closed. All critical FIRST and Bond Rating ratios will be met with Debt service being over 1.0 in the worse case scenario and 75+ days cash on hand.

David and Jesus shared their account as finance committee members and recommended the board consider adoption of the FY24 closing Budget Amendment.

David Dunn asked for a motion to approve the FY24 budget amendment.

Jesus Becerra made a motion to approve the budget, Elaine Candelas seconded, a roll call vote was taken and the motion passed unanimously.

Closed Session:

David Dunn asked for a motion to exit the public session and enter into Executive Session to discuss the Superintendent's evaluation..

Elaine Candelas motioned to exit the public session and enter into Executive Session and seconded by Nicole Trevino seconds, a roll call vote was taken, and the motion passed unanimously at 7:08 pm

At 7:15 pm David Dunn asked for a motion to exit the Executive Session.

Meredith Sembello motioned to exit the executive session and enter into Public Session. Elaine Candelas seconded, a roll call vote is taken and the motion passed unanimously.

Return to Public Session:

d. Superintendent's Salary and Contract Extension for 24/25 based on meeting board criteria in 23/24 and Resolution

David Dunn shared that because of deliberations in Executive Session it was determined that the Superintendent met all of the board criteria for contract renewal as stipulated in his evaluation expectations, and that a board member should consider putting forth a motion for an approval of a

contract extension resolution for the superintendent based on that information and discussion. David Dunn asked for a motion.

Elaine Canelas made the motion to approve the resolution as presented for approval of a contract extension for the superintendent, Jesus Becerra seconded the motion.

A roll call vote was taken, the motion passed unanimously.

Adjourn

David Dunn asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:02 p.m.

Nicole Trevino motioned to adjourn, Elaine Candelas seconded, a roll call vote was taken, the motion passed unanimously.

David Dunn adjourned the meeting at 8:03 pm