

**Blanket ISD**  
**Regular Board Meeting**  
**February 10th, 2025**  
**6:30 P.M.**

Members Present: Beth Bowyer, Steve Schulze, Autumn Hood, Scott Russell

Members Absent: Edwin Davis, James Richardson, Robert Rodgers

Administration: Mr. Whisenhunt, Mr. Branham

**I. Beth Bowyer called the Meeting to Order and established a quorum at 6:30 pm.**

A. Invocation

B. Pledge of Allegiance

**II. Public Participation: None**

**III. Administrative Report(s)**

**Principals Report**

- a. **Update on student population and activities.** Enrollment = 165  
Attendance has been low due to illness. Discipline referrals have come way down.
- b. **Benchmark testing update.** We are starting the second round of interim testing.  
Junior High looks to be on a good track. The freshman class has a lot of work to do.

**Superintendent's Report**

- a. **Update on school finance.** Function 52 has been added, and we will need to do a budget amendment next month
- b. **Board Training in Bangs.** Training will be February 19 at 6:00 pm.

**IV. Consideration/approval of consent items**

**A. Approval of minutes of prior meetings.**

A motion was made by Steve Schulze to approve the minutes from the prior meeting, seconded by Scott Russell.

For: 4

Against: 0

**B. Acceptance of Bills paid.**

A motion was made by Scott Russell to accept the bills paid as presented, seconded by Steve Schulze. Check # 004915 - # 004959

For: 4

Against: 0

**V. Presentation / Discussion Regarding Action Items**

- a. (Wednesday, January 15, 2025: First day to file an application for a place on the ballot or declaration of write-in candidacy for the general election. Friday, February 14, 2025: Deadline to file)**

**b. Consider/Action to approve TexPool signature resolution**

A motion was made by Steve Schulze to approve the TexPool signature resolution, seconded by Scott Russell.

For: 4

Against: 0

**c. Consider/Action to change Board Meeting date in March**

No action taken, we will keep the March 10 date.

**d. Consider/Action to approve the DOI Plan for the 2025-2030 school years.**

Motion made by Scott Russell to approve the DOI plan for the 2025-2030 school years, seconded by Steve Schulze.

For: 4

Against: 0

**e. Consider/Action to approve Low Performing Improvement Plan.**

A motion to approve the Low Performing Improvement Plan was made by Scott Russell, seconded by Steve Schulze.

For: 4

Against: 0

**f. Consider/Action to attend the Board Training at Bangs on Feb 19th at 6:00 pm.**

No action taken.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION 551.074 called at 7:15 pm.**

**RECONVENE to Regular Session at 7:42 pm.**

**g. Consider/Action on contract and appraisal for Principal Joe Branham.**

Autumn Hood made a motion to extend Mr Branham's contract for one year for the 26-27 school year, with a 3% pay increase. The motion was seconded by Scott Russell..

For: 4

Against: 0

**VI. Date of Next Regular Board Meeting – March 10, 2025 at 6:30 pm**

**VII. Concerns for Future Board Meeting**

- a. Safety and security plan.
- b. ESSA Fund use.

A motion to adjourn was made by Scott Russell, seconded by Steve Schulze  
at 7:46 pm.

For: 4  
Against: 0

Beth Bourne  
Board President

Autumn Hood  
Board Secretary

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