

**Blanket ISD**  
**Regular Board Meeting**  
**February 12, 2024**  
**6:30 P.M.**

Members Present: Beth Bowyer, Autumn Hood, Steve Schulze  
Scott Russell, Robert Rodgers, Edwin Davis

Members Absent: James Richardson

Administration: Mr. Whisenhunt, Mr. Branham, Mr. Greenfield

Guest: Brenda Edwards

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

- A. Invocation
- B. Pledge of Allegiance

**II. Public Participation: None**

**III. Administrative Report(s)**

**Principals Report**

- a. **Update on student population and activities.** Enrollment = 146
- b. **Benchmark testing update** - Teachers' grades / subjects have been split up to keep focus on the quality of the preparation. It is time for teacher evaluations.

**Superintendent's Report**

- a. **Update on school finance** - All is good right now. We need to replace 2 heat/ AC units in the gym, costing approximately \$26 thousand. We have ordered numbers for the buildings. We are checking in to film for the windows and fencing around the campus.
- b. **Board training in Bangs** - Wednesday, February 21 at 6:00 pm.

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

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

Motion made by Steve Schulze to approve the minutes from the prior meeting,  
second by Robert Rodgers.

For: 4  
Against: 0  
Abstain: 2

**B. Acceptance of Bills paid.**

A motion was made by Edwin Davis to accept the bills paid as presented,  
second by Robert Rodgers. Check # 004214 - # 004289.

For: 6  
Against: 0



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

- a. **(Wednesday January 17, 2024: First day to file an application for a place on the ballot or declaration of write-in candidacy for the general election : Friday, February 16, 2024: Deadline to file)** No action

- b. **Consider/Action to change the board meeting date in March.**

A motion was made by Steve Schulze to change the March meeting to March 18, 2024. seconded by Edwin Davis.

For: 6

Against : 0

- c. **Consider/Action to attend the Board Training at Bangs on February 21 at 6:00 pm .**  
No action.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION 551.074 called at 7:17 pm**  
**RECONVENE to Regular session at 7:50 pm**

- d. **Consider/Action on Contract and appraisal of Principal Joe Branham.**

Autumn Hood made a motion to extend Mr Branham's contract one year for the 25-26 school year with a 2% salary increase. Motion was seconded by Edwin Davis.

For: 6

Against: 0

**VI. Date of Next Regular Board Meeting – Monday, March 18<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 pm**

**VII. Concerns for Future Board Meeting**

- a. Safety and security plan.  
b. ESSA and ESSER III Grant funds

A motion to adjourn was made by Robert Rodgers, second by Scott Russell.  
at 7:54 pm.

For: 6

Against: 0

*Beth Bowyer*

Board President

*Autumn Hood*

Board Secretary

*4-8-24*

Date

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