

FARWELL ISD
BOARD MINUTES

5/14/2024

The Farwell ISD Board of Trustees met for a regular board meeting at 7:00 pm in the Farwell ISD Administration Building at 805 Ave G, Farwell, Texas.

Members Board present were; Ryan Williams, Joe Jaime, Brandon Foster, Ashley Nichols, Mario Vidaurri, and Vince Smith.

Meeting opened up at 7:00 pm with a prayer by Eric McElroy, followed by the pledge.

Public comments by Scott Miller in regards to school safety and Les Ball in regards to exit interviews.

Board members moved to the MPR to watch the Robotics team demonstration.

Motion made by Vince Smith and seconded by Ashley Nichols to approve the consent agenda. Motion passed all in favor.

Athletic Director, Shane Perkins gave an update on the successful year of Farwell ISD athletics.

Principals gave the update on school enrollment of 610 and end of year activities.

Board President, Ryan Williams, canvassed the results of the board election.

Joe Jaime 111 votes

Les Ball 27 votes

Eric McElroy 104 votes

Oath of Office was given by Edie Kalbas to Joe Jaime and Eric McElroy

No action was taken of Board of Trustee officers and will remain the same. Ryan Williams, President, Ashley Nichols, Vice President, and Joe Jaime, Secretary of the Board.

Entered into closed session at 7:43 pm and returned at 8:10 pm. 551.074

Motion was made by Eric McElroy and seconded by Brandon Foster to approve the school calendar. Motion passed all in favor.

Motion made by Brandon Foster and seconded by Mario Vidaurri to approve the Elementary, Junior High, and High School Improvement plans. Motion passed all in favor.

Motion made by Mario Vidaurri and seconded by Eric McElroy to approve the District Improvement plan. Motion passed all in favor.

Motion made by Ashley Nichols and seconded by Brandon Foster to approve the TREC contract with Region 11. Motion passed all in favor.

Took no action on doing an efficiency audit.

Motion made by Brandon Foster and seconded by Ashley Nichols to approve changes to the school employee stipend list. Motion passed all in favor.

Motion made by Ashley Nichols and seconded by Eric McElroy to increase the local days from 3 to 5 in the employee handbook starting on September 1, 2024. Motion passed all in favor.

Motion made by Eric McElroy and seconded by Brandon Foster to change local policy DEC to increase local days from 3 to 5 starting September 1, 2024. Motion passed all in favor.

Motion made by Eric McElroy and seconded by Brandon Foster to hire Chelsey Duckett as a third grade teacher. Motion passed all in favor.

Motion made by Mario Vidaurri and seconded by Vince Smith to hire Lauren McMullen as a first grade teacher. Motion passed all in favor.

Motion made by Eric McElroy and seconded by Brandon Foster to hire Joe Crabb as the head girl's basketball coach. Motion passed all in favor.

No action on hiring a kindergarten teacher.

No action on hiring an Art/Music teacher.

Motion made by Eric McElroy and seconded by Brandon Foster to approve the sprinkler system for the elementary playground. Motion passed all in favor.

Colby Waldrop, Superintendent gave a report on starting on the Teacher Incentive allotment, upcoming board training, and future board goals.

Next board meeting June 10th at 10:00 pm

Motion made by Vince Smith and seconded by Mario Vidaurri to adjourn the meeting. Motion passed all in favor.