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A Regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Saltillo Independent School District was held November 30th, 2023. Board President Chad Neal called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM and asked Jason Tully to open the meeting up with a prayer. Other trustees present were Mark Sustaire, Ryan Garmon, Mason Littrell, Barry Brewer, and Randy Johnson.

Visitors present Luke Arnold, and Stacy Shearer.

Luke Arnold with Arnold, Walker, Arnold & Co., P.C. advised that there were no discrepancies found in their financial auditing of Saltillo ISD annual budget ending August 31, 2023.

1. Public Hearing

A. Mr. Stickles reported that we got a 100 on our Financial Integrity Rating. We are in Superior achievement. Mason Littrell made a motion to adjourn the public hearing and Ryan Garmon seconded the motion. Passed.

2. Board Organization

- A. Mason Littrell made a motion to keep the same officers as is for the year 2024. Ryan Garmon seconded the motion. Passed
- 3. Administration Report: Mrs. Sharer reported that EST testing is set up ready to do December testing. She mentioned that the playground options are nice, but would like more choices.

Mr. Stickles reported that the lockdown would be practiced tomorrow as scheduled. Homecoming will be January 12, and they are planning to have a bonfire over behind the church next to the school. Enrollment is up to 253 students.

4. Consent Agenda Items

A. Motion was made by Mark Sustaire to accept consent agenda items. Second, Randy Johnson passed.

5. Business Items (Board Action)

- I. Mark Sustaire made the motion to approve the adjustment to the school 2023-24 calendar to add a staff development day on the 4th and 5th. Kids will return January 8th. Randy Johnson seconded the motion. Passed
- II. Barry Brewer made a motion to leave the adult breakfast price at \$3. Ryan Garmon seconded. 3 voted for 2 voted against and one abstained. Passed
- III. Consideration of the board action to approve one-time employee stipend was voted on in the October meeting. No action was taken

- IV. Mark Sustaire made a motion to adopt GKG Local Policy. Mason Littrell seconded. passed
- V. Mason Littrell made a motion to approve of Update 122. Ryan Garmon seconded. passed
- VI. Mark Sustaire made a motion to re-appoint Mark Humprey to the Hopkins County Appraisal District Board of Directors. Randy Johnson seconded. Passed
- VII. Randy Johnson made the motion to accept the audit from Arnold, Walker & Arnold. Mason Littrell Second the motion. passed
- VIII. Mark Sustaire made the motion that we accept a bid to demo and remove the house next to the Ag shop from Arter Land Service with the stipulation of having a time frame of when he can get it done. Ryan Garmon seconded the motion. passed
 - IX. Consideration of and Board action for approval for any new transfer applications. none to consider
 - X. Mark Sustaire made the motion to accept Journal Voucher #102623 and 111623. Mason Littrell seconded the motion. passed

4. Other Business/Old Business

- I. Bids were considered for removing the remaining carpet in the main building and removing and replacing the carpet on the gym bleachers. It was requested that we get more information on the bid for the gym bleachers.
- II. It was discussed on options for extending the cafeteria to accommodate more.
- III. Discussion about staff/coaches having their bus license. Then it was discussed about the safety of the vans and the option of replacing the vans with buses. The board asked Mr. Stickles to get some bids on two different bus options and get some bids on 2 or 3 different types of SUVs or cars. It was discussed that there needs to be more accountability and guidelines when it comes to the use of all school vehicles.
- IV. Security for games was discussed. Mr. Stickles reached out to law enforcement to see availability of officers and cost for additional security.

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