

**WALNUT BEND INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT**  
**Regular Board Minutes**  
**August 15th, 2023 7:15 pm**

**Present: Randy Clark, Cindy Phillips, Virginia McNairn, Emily Southerland, Lucas Grgurich and Supt. Ken Kemp**

**Absent: Roxi Castillo and Shane Foster; Roxi arrived at 8:45**

**1. Call to order and Declaration of a Quorum: Randy Clark**

**2. Invocation: Virginia McNairn**

**3. Pledge to the American flag: All**

**4. No attendance**

**5. Public hearing was held prior to the regular session**

6. Motion made by Emily Southerland to approve the following agenda items:

A. Minutes from July 18, 2023

B. Financial status reviewed; funds available as of 7/31/2023: \$1,823,259.42

C. No delinquent taxes collected

D. Monthly bill

E. Budget amendment consisted of change of account numbers only.

Second by Lucas Grgurich; all voted in favor

6. Budget discussion will be held after the current Legislative Session.

7. Personnel:

No updates on at-will employees, no resignations, new employees were not present.

8. No repairs over \$5,000.00 submitted.

9. Motion made by Emily Southerland to approve the following student transfers:

Lorele & Trinity VonEps, Dayton Thompsons, Daniel Roemmich, Yovann Robledo, Jett & Ariel Nickelson, Chole Magie, and Gia Henandez. Second by Cindy Phillips; all voted in favor,

10. Motion Made by Emily Southerland to approve changes as presented to Instruction Plan & Use of Funds for ESSER III. Second by Lucas Grgurich; all voted in favor.

11. Accountability Appeal Resolution will be considered in September.

12. Motion made by Cindy Phillips to approve committee members as presented for District Improvement Plan, Textbook, SHAC, Safety & Security & Threat Assessment Teams. Second by Lucas Grgurich; all voted in favor.

13. Motion made by Virginia McNairn to approve extracurricular status for the 4-H Organization & Adjunct Facility Agreement. Second Emily Southerland; all voted in favor,

14. No action on the CCAD budget for 2023-24.

15. Superintendent's Report:

A. 2023-24 class schedule (intervention & acceleration) presented.

B. Enrollment: 62 Social Media continues to be followed by many; top following was snapshot ad that reached 15,000 viewers.

C. A security audit reflected the need for additional improvements for our doors that have now been replaced.

D. Returning to Instruction & Continuity Plan 23-23

E. Inservice week went well

F. Preliminary FIRST rating of A was applauded.

G. An appreciated \$600.00 donation to the scholarship fund was made by a friend of Supt. Kemp.

H. Moneys from the Federal Government for federal property tax has not been received or determined. The government considers 8 properties in question while old records reflect additional properties taken by the government when Lake Texoma was constructed.

The renter of the teacheage has moved. Changes in rental property were discussed:

1. \$1,000,00 monthly rent suggested
2. renter must have at least 2 children that will attend WBISD

16. **Executive Session called @ 8:51 to discuss a security issue. Returned to Open Session @ 8:55.**

17. No action taken regarding Executive Session discussion.

18. Motion made by Emily Southerland to approve the Revised Campus Improvement plan. Second by Lucas Grgurich; all voted in favor.

19. Joining the Fiber 10 Network, part of Region 11, was discussed. It would be next summer before installation would begin. Present cost for phone service is \$135.00 - \$150.00 monthly plus the cost of internet service, both of which are poor. While the new cost would be \$1,000.00 monthly for 5 years, dropping to \$600.00 after that time. AT&T, present phone provider, shows little interest in our type of service and future long term service is questionable. Internet service would be part of this plan as well. After much discussion, a motion was made by Virginia McNairn to Join Fiber 10 Network. Second By Roxi Castillo; all voted in favor.

20. No additional business: adjournment: 9:26

Cindy Phillips  
President

9-19-23  
Date

Virginia McNairn  
Secretary