Minutes of a Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees Aspermont Independent School District April 17, 2023

At a regular scheduled meeting of the Aspermont Independent School District Board of Trustees held on April 17, 2023, members Lorenzo Calamaco, Dana Berry, Jennifer Hodges, Tres Myers, and Brandon Criwell were present along with Superintendent Zach Morris. Ray Bradley was absent. Also in attendance were Danee and Kacee Shugart, Martha Jones, Candice and Braiden Blankenship, Joe Hernandez, Wesley Koenig, Kristin Marsh, Trent Van Meter, Tiffany Potts, and Trish Hurt.

Board President Lorenzo Calamaco called the meeting to order at 6:32 p.m.

Mr. Van Meter led the invocation followed by Lorenzo Calamaco leading the pledges.

No one addressed the Board in an open forum.

Principal Van Meter recognized Martha Jones as the elementary staff of the month. Mrs. Jones was applauded for always looking to get better and filling the hallways with artwork from the students. Danee Shugart was awarded elementary student of the month for her politeness, positive attitude, and always smiling. Principal Potts awarded Joe Hernandez secondary staff of the month. He was recognized for growing the Ag program, student participation, and always being willing to help out. Braiden Blankenship was selected as the secondary student of the month. Braiden has been recognized every month in hallway celebrations that he has been enrolled in Aspermont ISD, has a great attitude and manners.

Next, Brandon Criswell motioned to approve the minutes from March 20, 2023 as presented. Motion was seconded by Bay Hecht. Motion passed unanimously.

Trustees moved to the bills from March 2023. Motion was made by Brandon Criswell to approve the bills. Dana Berry seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

Bay Hecht made a motion to approve the 2023-2024 AISD school calendar as presented. Brandon Criswell seconded the motion, all were in favor.

The board of trustees then moved to approve the auditor contract with Edgin, Parkman, Fleming, and Fleming PC. Jennifer Hodges approved the motion. Motion was seconded by Bay Hecht and all were in favor.

Jennifer Hodges approved the abstinence contract. Bay Hecht seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Brandon Criswell approved the tax bid from Jeff Rash for property in Swenson, Block 39, Lot 1, 4-6. Bay Hecht seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Bay Hecht made a motion to approve the 2022-2023 Budget Amendment #1. Seconded by Tres Myers, all in favor.

Brandon Criswell made a motion to approve the NIMS for incident management. Motion was seconded by Bay Hecht. Motion carried unanimously.

Trent Van Meter informed the board of the success with the canned food drive, Easter parties, and the STAAR rocking review for the last 6 weeks.

Tiffany Potts reported on successes in tennis, track, softball, as well as the canned food drive. Upcoming STAAR tests and college and career signing day.

Superintendent Morris informed the Board that enrollment for the district is at 207. Revenues are approximately 65% expended and 88% received. The permanent school fund is holding steady. He informed the board that a company was coming in to do an assessment on facilities and would report back. A petition for baseball has been presented to him by boys in the athletic department. Athletic policies and staff attendance were discussed.

Next the Board of Trustee moved to closed session at 7:24 pm. The Board reconvened at 7:52 pm.

Bay Hecht made a motion to approve elementary teachers contracts as presented. Brandon Criswell seconded the motion, all in favor.

Brandon Criswell made a motion to approve secondary teacher contracts as presented. Dana Berry seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Bay Hecht made a motion to approve hiring Paula Rodgers for the elementary campus. Brandon Criswell seconded the motion. All were in favor.

Dana Berry made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Brandon Criwell. All in favor. Meeting adjourned at 7:53pm.

The next regular meeting will be held on May 22, 2023.

For the Board of Trustees: