

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

At a regular scheduled meeting of the Aspermont Independent School District Board of Trustees held on October 17, 2023, members Lorenzo Calamaco, Jennifer Hodges, Tres Myers, Shane Polk, Ray Bradley, Bay Hecht and Brandon Criswell were present along with Superintendent Zach Morris. Also in attendance were Trent Van Meter, Tiffany Potts, Kristin Marsh, Sal, Margaret, and Emilee Silva, Josh and Gunnar Lindsey, Kade, Sara, and Logan Lowack, and Jeff Hurt. Board President Lorenzo Calamaco called the meeting to order at 6:31 p.m.

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

No one addressed the Board in an open forum.

Elementary Principal Trent Van Meter recognized Gunnar Lindsey for being a go-getter, always ready to learn, and being a hard worker as the Elementary student of the month. Sara Lowack was recognized as Elementary staff of the month. Mrs. Lowack was recognized for her ability to engage students, working hard, and always caring for her students.

Secondary Principal Tiffany Potts awarded Emilee Silva student of the month for her competitive nature and being an engaged leader. Margaret Silva was awarded the secondary staff of the month. Mrs. Silva was applauded for her willingness to always look for ways to improve her surroundings and being a great influence. She always makes students the top priority.

Bay Hecht motioned to approve the minutes from September 18, 2023 as presented. Motion was seconded by Ray Bradley. Motion passed unanimously.

Trustees moved to the bills from the month of October 2023. Motion was made by Bay Hecht to approve the bills. Jennifer Hodges seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

Brandon Criswell made a motion to approve the use of the permanent school funds to begin the process of collecting bids for the junior high building air conditioner. Jennifer Hodges seconded the motion, all were in favor.

Trent Van Meter updated the Trustees on the Hornet Strong Profile, RTI and reading interventions have been successful and will continue working together. Fall field trips have begun, including the health fair for all students. The safety security check for the elementary campus has been completed with zero findings.

Tiffany Potts reported on the success in the athletic departments, upcoming UIL events, and the Fall Festival scheduled for Thursday. She also applauded Mrs. Myers for her hard work and diligence in making sure the high school students were exposed to numerous college, career, and military opportunities.

Superintendent Morris presented the board the attendance report of 192 students enrolled in the district and 94% attendance rate due to illnesses. Maintenance staff have taken action to increase fogging and sanitizing in order to reduce the spread. Budget report was presented as 9% spent. Investment report was given and on track as usual. Next, he presented the Trustees with a new federal programs report showing all federal funds and the amounts of each grant available. Facilities report was briefly reviewed.

After a quick break the board of trustees entered into closed session at 7:20 pm and reconvened at 7:48 pm.


Brandon Criswell made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Tres Myers. All in favor. Meeting adjourned at 7:50 pm.

The next regular meeting will be held on November 15, 2023.

For the Board of Trustees:



President



Secretary