

# **Citizens' Renaming Committee Minutes**

**Regular Meeting**

**September 17, 2020 5:30 p.m.**

**Lee High School Library**

## **22 committee members were present:**

Blake Feldt, Co-Chair

Shannon Low, Co-Chair

Maridell Fryar

Josh Sperry

Italia Salazar

Makhilyn Young

Shirley Howard

John Norman

Stacy Martinez

Ashley Boren

Frank Maldonado

Rachel Stone

Steve Subia

Tod Brown

Valerie Tinker

Noble Kendrick

Monica Stroman Tucker

Sarah Hale

Roderick Strambler

Jennifer Seybert

Ellen Boyd

Beau Garza

## **1 committee member was absent:**

Alfred Sanchez III

## **Minutes**

5:36 p.m.: Co-Chair Shannon Low calls meeting to order.

5:37 p.m.: Minutes from previous meeting are approved.

5:38 p.m.: Opening statements by Co-Chair Blake Feldt. Mr. Feldt gave instructions for the meeting, as well as explained upcoming votes for mascots, school colors and Dixie Dolls. Stacy Martinez asked a question about selecting three mascots for each proposed school. Tod Brown suggested that all mascot recommendations be given to the board.

5:47 p.m.: Discussion period. Each committee member in attendance was given up to five minutes to state their case regarding the school name.

6:11 p.m.: The committee voted to allow Makhilyn Young to cast his vote before leaving for the scrimmage.

6:12 p.m.: Makhilyn Young voted for Midland Legacy of Equality and Excellence (LEE) High School.

6:13 p.m.: Tod Brown motioned that the response portion of the agenda be skipped, so that voting could begin. The committee voted to adopt the motion.

6:14 p.m.: Voting begins

Maridell Fryar voted for Midland Tall City High School.

Josh Sperry voted for Midland Legacy of Equality and Excellence (LEE) High School.

Italia Salazar voted for Midland Legacy of Equality and Excellence (LEE) High School.

Makhilyn Young voted for Midland Legacy of Equality and Excellence (LEE) High School (see above)

Shirley Howard voted for Midland Tall City High School.

John Norman voted for Midland Tall City High School.

Stacy Martinez voted for Midland Tall City High School.

Alfred Sanchez III was absent and did not vote.

Ashley Boren voted for Midland Legacy of Equality and Excellence (LEE) High School.

Frank Maldonado voted for Midland Legacy of Equality and Excellence (LEE) High School.

Rachel Stone voted for Midland Tall City High School.

Steve Subia voted for Midland Legacy of Equality and Excellence (LEE) High School.

Tod Brown voted for Midland Tall City High School.

Valerie Tinker voted for Midland Tall City High School.

Noble Kendrick voted for Midland Carver Lee High School.

Monica Stroman Tucker voted for Midland Tall City High School.

Sarah Hale voted for Midland Legacy of Equality and Excellence (LEE) High School.

Roderick Strambler voted for Midland Legacy of Equality and Excellence (LEE) High School.

Jennifer Seybert voted for Midland Legacy of Equality and Excellence (LEE) High School.

Ellen Boyd voted for Midland Legacy of Equality and Excellence (LEE) High School.

Beau Garza voted for Midland Tall City High School.

Blake Feldt voted for Midland Legacy of Equality and Excellence (LEE) High School.

Shannon Low voted for Midland Legacy of Equality and Excellence (LEE) High School.

6:16 p.m.: Votes were tallied as followed:

Midland Legacy of Equality and Excellence (LEE) High School (12 votes)

Midland Tall City High School (9 votes)

Midland Carver Lee High School (1 vote)

6:18 p.m.: Blake Feldt motioned to move the agenda item to create an explanation for each proposed name to next week. This would be to allow advocates of each group to come up with

a draft that would be read when the names are recommended at October's Board meeting. This was approved by the committee.

6:23 p.m.: Tod Brown motion, and John Norman seconded to add a third question to the vote regarding mascots. The third option was to list all suggested mascots for the board. After extended discussion, the vote passed.

6:40 p.m.: Ongoing discussion of school mascot vote and procedures.

6:45 p.m.: Vote on mascot selection procedures. The winning vote was option No. 1, which calls for three mascots to be selected for each of the final three school names. The committee would then recommend that these three names be voted on by the student body to determine the mascot.

6:46 p.m.: Before the vote on the school colors, Shirley Howard asked for clarification on the boards charge regarding colors, stating she believed all committee members would have the opportunity to suggest new colors. Blake Feldt motioned to suggest new colors at the next meeting. Motion was passed.

6:49 p.m. Discussion of Dixie Dolls and other student groups. Maridell Fryar suggested that a third category be added to the vote, which would allow student groups to select their own names. This suggestion was adopted, and passed.

7:02 p.m.: Meeting adjourned.