

Minutes – Board of Trustees
August 7, 2006
6:30 p.m. – Lockhart ISD Administrative Office Boardroom

The meeting was called to order by board president, John Flores. Other members present were Gary Allen, Juan Alvarez, Jr., Timoteo ‘Tim’ Juarez, Jr., John Manning, Clint Mohle, and Carl Ohlendorf.

Administrators and staff present were: Dr. John Hall, Superintendent; Phil McBride, Assistant Superintendent–Instruction and Operations; Theresa Ramirez, Assistant Superintendent–Human Resources; Janie Wright, Executive Director of Curriculum and Special Programs; Tina Knudsen, Finance Director; Monica Parks, Special Education Executive Director; Patrick Venglar, Pride HS Principal; Ed Sheppard, LDMC Principal; Susan Brooks, LJHS Principal; Jesus Espinoza, Bluebonnet Elementary Principal; Susan Masur, Navarro Elementary Principal; Donna Moore, Clear Fork Elementary Principal; Barbara Bernal, Carver Kindergarten Principal; Les Goad, Boys Athletic Director; and Candy Risien, Secretary for Superintendent/Board of Trustees.

Mark Goulet of the Walsh, Anderson, Brown, Schulze & Aldridge law firm was present.

Call to Order.

Invocation.

Dr. John Hall gave the invocation.

Business.

John Flores closed the meeting at 6:31 p.m. on August 7, 2006 for the purpose of discussing Employment of Personnel with Mark Goulet of WABSA in attendance. No final action, decisions, or motions would be made while the board was in executive session.

The meeting opened at 8:00 p.m. on August 7, 2006. No action was taken at this time.

1. Action: Consider and/or Approve Establishing a Policy Review Committee

Mr. Manning requests that the board establish a committee to review local policies and bring recommendations to the board. John Manning, Juan Alvarez, Jr. and Tim Juarez, Jr. volunteered to serve on this committee.

The motion was made by Clint Mohle, seconded by Gary Allen to approve the committee of John Manning, Juan Alvarez, Jr. and Tim Juarez, Jr. The motion carried unanimously (6-0), Carl Ohlendorf had to leave the meeting.

2. Action: Consider and/or Approve Requests to Increase Appropriations

The administration recommends that the attached list of budget line items be approved. During the 2005-06 school year, some campuses/programs were required to reduce their budgets due to the projected budget deficit. The list requests to reinstate some budget line items, or in some instances, to request new line items the list is included in the original minutes. Mr. Juarez asked about a new item, the \$8250 for books at Bluebonnet Elementary. Mr. Espinoza states that this is for handbooks/materials that his campus had to do without last year, he also requested a larger copier budget. Mr. Espinoza points out that his campus serves PK-K, where the other elementary campuses don't have these costs. Mr. Juarez asked about the Fixed Asset budget item and Tina Knudsen explained the process, which will be a one-time cost for an inventory/audit that hasn't been performed since 1999. Mr. Juarez had questions regarding the staff training costs presented by the High School and Curriculum department, Mrs. Wright explained the training she was proposing and Tina Knudsen stated that our drivers ed instructor needs recertification. Mr. Juarez asked about the budget proposal for customer service training and Dr. Hall replied that 'front line' staff from all campuses receive training throughout the school year. He is proposing live training from the education service center again this year. Mr. Juarez supports the idea of approving one time budget expenditures such as fixed assets, textbooks, curriculum programs, drivers ed training, and customer service training. He suggests that if accounts are currently funded that the departments try to stay within their budgets and if necessary request additional funds later in the year. Mr. Alvarez had a

question about principal's travel, which was answered. Mr. Ramirez stated that the student meal budget was being increased based upon the shortage last year and the spotlight on this issue. Ms. Vickers reviewed all the trips the band takes during a school year and not just for Friday night games. Tina Knudsen spoke about the Maintenance items being requested and said that with the addition of an elementary campus these items will allow them to operate correctly.

The motion was made by John Manning to approve the current budget column with the following additions Band travel (student meals), Bluebonnet Elementary (textbooks), Boys Athletics (student travel), Business Office (fixed asset inventory), combined Athletics (student meals LHS & LJHS), Districtwide Tuition Reimbursement, Drivers Ed (supplies), Customer Service training, and Maintenance (custodial supplies). Mr. Alvarez asked that the motion be repeated. Mr. Juarez asked if he meant to leave off Curriculum items. There was no second, the motion failed.

The motion was made by Tim Juarez, Jr. to add those items under the proposed budget where there is currently no money identified in the current budget program including Bluebonnet (textbooks), Business Office (fixed asset inventory), Curriculum (GT), Curriculum (parental program), Districtwide Tuition Reimbursement, Customer Service Training, Drivers Ed (supplies and training), Band (travel & student meals), Athletics (meals LHS & LJHS), Maintenance (custodial supplies). There was no second, the motion failed.

Mr. Mohle was confused because 2-3 items were omitted from the last motion. Mr. Juarez agrees that an item that does not have funding should be added back to the budget. Mr. Manning states that the Curriculum department did not use these GT/AP funds in 2005-06, why are they adding it back now? Mrs. Wright states that this training is ongoing and the funds should be reinstated, Mr. Manning would rather see this money spent on students who need additional instruction to meet TAKS requirements. Mr. Juarez would rather provide the funding if the campuses/departments come up short, rather than expanding the budgets now.

The motion was made by John Manning, seconded by Tim Juarez to approve Band (students meals), Bluebonnet (textbooks), Boys Athletics (student travel), Business Office (fixed asset inventory), Combined Athletics (student meals LHS), Combined Athletics (student meals LJHS), Curriculum (gifted and talented), Curriculum (parental involvement), Districtwide Tuition Reimbursement, LHS (drivers ed supplies), Customer Service Training, and Maintenance (custodial supplies). John Flores asked Mr. Manning if he had intended to leave out the CATE requests and he said yes, they can be reviewed at a later date. The motion carried unanimously, (6-0) and Mr. Allen asked that a revised budget be provided to the board ASAP.

5. Action: Consider and/or Approve the Hiring of an Auto Collision Teacher at Mid-Year

The administration recommends employment of an Auto Collision CATE Program Teacher at Mid-year. The hiring of this teacher is needed to implement the proposal to expand the Auto Technology CATE program to include a separate set of courses in the field of auto collision paint and body repaired. Mr. Ramirez and Mr. Henk state there is a lot of student interest in this course and several opportunities for them through local businesses. The course will be articulated through ACC.

The motion was made by Clint Mohle, seconded by John Manning to approve hiring an Auto Collision teacher at Mid-Year to head up the paint and body department. The motion carried unanimously (6-0).

3. Action: Consider and/or Approve Additions/Changes to Stipends for 2006-07

Mr. Manning requested that the board go into executive session.

John Flores closed the meeting at 8:50 p.m. on August 7, 2006 for the purpose of discussing additions/changes to stipends for 2006-07 and Extra Duty Pay Additions for 2006-07. No final action, decisions, or motions would be made while the board was in executive session.

The meeting opened at 10:07 p.m. on August 7, 2006.

Mr. Flores stated that the board had already taken action at the last meeting through the TASB survey except the webmaster stipend, Mr. Manning and Mr. Juarez stated that was correct so no action is required on action item 3.

4. Action: Consider and/or Approve Extra Duty Pay Additions for 2006-07

Mr. Flores stated that the board had already taken action at the last meeting through the TASB survey except the webmaster stipend, Mr. Manning and Mr. Juarez stated that was correct so no action is required on action item 4. Mr. McBride asked for clarification regarding the webmaster stipend and Mr. Juarez said that the information was provided to Dr. Hall in closed session.

6. Action: Employment of Personnel

The motion was made by Tim Juarez, Jr., seconded by John Manning on the administrative placement of Becky Kibby to approve the pay grade change from a 3 to 4, and the days from 198 to 207 with the title being Assistant Principal at Freshman Campus, the costs associated are based on the pay grade and number of days; on the administrative placement of Terry Mohle includes the pay grade change from 4 to 5, and the days from 207 to 226 and the costs associated are based on the pay grade and the number of days; on the administrative placement of Joan Schlaht, approve the pay grade change from 5 to 3 the daily rate is frozen and the title change of Assistant Principal at Clear Fork Elementary. Regarding Corinne Yanez, the board approves the pay level change from 2 to 3 along with additional technology duties. The motion carried (6-0-1), Carl Ohlendorf returned and Clint Mohle abstained.

Mr. Manning asked for clarification regarding the Workman’s Comp duties.

7. Action: Superintendent Employment

8. Action: Board Member Items

Mr. Manning would like a sign leading into the city announcing the recognized status of three LISD campuses.

Adjournment.

Agenda completed, meeting adjourned.

SIGNED: _____
John Flores, Board President

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Timoteo ‘Tim’ Juarez, Jr., Board Secretary

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