

Minutes – Board of Trustees
September 10, 2007
6:30 p.m.-LHS Conference Center

The meeting was called to order by board president, Gary Allen. Other members present John Flores, Tim Juarez, Jr., John Manning, Clint Mohle, Carl Ohlendorf, and Juan Alvarez, Jr. came in after FC Open House.

Administrators and staff present were: Susan Brooks, Interim Superintendent; Vivian Placke, Pride High School Principal; Larry Ramirez, LHS Principal; Ed Sheppard, LDMC Principal; Evangelina Orta, Plum Creek Elementary Principal; James Rabe, Asst Superintendent of Instruction and Student Success; Barbara Bernal, Carver Kindergarten Principal; John Henk, Freshman Campus Principal; Susan Masur, Navarro Elementary Principal; Donna Moore, Clear Fork Elementary Principal; Janie Wright, Interim Asst Superintendent of Information and Operations; Linda Bertram, Interim LJHS Principal; Jennifer Williams, Bluebonnet Elementary Asst Principal; Bill Coleman, Interim Maintenance Director; Theresa Ramirez, Asst Superintendent of Human Resources; Candy Risien, Secretary for Superintendent/Board of Trustees.

Call to Order

Invocation

Susan Brooks gave the invocation.

Business

Gary Allen turned the meeting over to Vice President Tim Juarez, Jr., to preside over the first two items on the agenda that are related to issues that Gary Allen will not be participating in.

1. Action: Consultation With Attorney Regarding Legal Issues in Grievance Process

Tim Juarez closed the meeting at 6:32 p.m. on September 10, 2007 for the purpose of Consulting with Attorneys as covered by the Texas Government Code 551.071. No final action, decisions, or motions would be made while the board was in executive session.

The meeting opened at 9:23 p.m. on September 10, 2007.

2. Action: Level III Grievance Hearing for Karla Tate

Tim Juarez closed the meeting at 6:32 p.m. on September 10, 2007 for the purpose of Consulting with Attorneys as covered by the Texas Government Code 551.074, and 551.082. No final action, decisions, or motions would be made while the board was in executive session.

The motion was made by Juan Alvarez, seconded by John Manning to correct the Level III grievance. The motion failed (2-4).

The motion was made by John Manning, seconded by Juan Alvarez to deny grievance and direct the Administration to find a suitable position for Mrs. Tate as soon as possible. The motion carried unanimously (6-0).

3. Action: Consider and/or Approve Timeline Regarding Interim Superintendent

Gary Allen closed the meeting at 9:37 p.m. on September 10, 2007 for the purpose of discussing items listed under Texas Government meetings code 551.074. No final action, decisions, or motions would be made while the board was in executive session.

The meeting opened at 10:32 p.m. on September 10, 2007.

The motion was made by Carl Ohlendorf, seconded by Juan Alvarez that the school board continue with the original plan to select a long term Interim Superintendent for the school district. Ms. Brooks has agreed to stay on until this is done, we thank her very much for the job she has done. The motion carried unanimously (7-0).

Gary Allen also thanked Susan Brooks and said she has exceeded the board's expectations. The board will start the search immediately and will contract an Interim that has not been in the district before.

4. Comm: Board Member Items

Tim Juarez asked for an estimated time that the board can expect an answer to some of their reports/requests, Ms. Brooks said they are lengthy reports but should all be available by the September 24 board meeting. Mr. Alvarez thanked the Administration for the report they received today. Mr. Mohle asked about the graduation pictures being displayed at LHS, Mr. Ramirez explained the rotation of class pictures in the halls.

Adjournment.

Agenda completed, meeting adjourned.

SIGNED: _____
Gary Allen, Board President

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Clint Mohle, Board Secretary

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