

BOARD

BY-THE-MINUTES REPORT

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Board names new leader

Patricia Nelle (above) has been named principal of Commerce Elementary School. Prior to holding her position as assistant principal at CES for the last four years, Nelle was a math teacher at Commerce Middle School. She assumes her new role on July 1.

BOARD MEETINGS

7:00 - 3315 Washington

Thurs 5/12

Mon 6/20



Robotics team recognized for national event

The Tigers in Motion Robotics team wrapped up another successful competition year by qualifying to compete at the CREATE Open National Championship in Council Bluff, Iowa. The four teams finished in the top 12 of the 48 teams present.



Alex Sandlin won first place in the drone skills contest.

During the season, the team competed in eight tournaments with three semi-final appearances and two back-to-back tournament wins at Miller Grove and Texarkana. The team qualified for the 1a - 4a Robotic State Tournament in Houston and finished in second place. CATE instructor Earvin Larry continues to build the program and looks for even more success in the future.

Basketball team scores winning season

The boys basketball team finished their playoff run with a record of 26-14, 12-0 in district. Coach Colton Reynolds, along with assistants Nate Holcomb, Dominique Carroll, Joshua Brooks and Matt Henderson, led the team to championships at bi-district, area and regional quarterfinals. The run ended at the regional semifinalist game. Seven players received academic all-district honors.



ON BOARD

OTHER ACTION...

- The Board accepted resignations from Michelle Mayo, district librarian; Mylinda McCaslin, CMS teacher; Rick Villines, CMS teacher/coach; and Mason Y'barbo, CHS teacher/coach. Amber Goggans resigned as an academic coordinator for Tri County SSA.
- The Board approved employment of Logan Duschatko, CHS assistant band director; Sy Lucas, ACW teacher; Devon Potter, CMS teacher; Rocio Lopez-Medrano, CHS teacher; and Marissa Medrano, CMS teacher.

Taser proposal tabled

CISD Police Chief Justin Westbrook proposed the use of tasers for control in adult altercations. He ensured the Board that they would not be used on students. He stated that tasers were another tool they could use to deter potentially dangerous confrontations with adults.

The Board voted to table the proposal and asked Westbrook to bring his proposal back to the board along with a strict policy on the taser's use at the school and at off-campus events.

Mental health top concern in SHAC survey

Director of Health Service Kathy Myers presented her intern Jacee Buchanan who presented her findings from her health and wellness survey of staff. Mental health was shown to be the top concern followed by healthy eating and exercise. She noted that free counseling was available for all employee through the TAMU-C Psychology Department.

SUPERINTENDENT REPORT...

- Enrollment increased 10 students.

One act play advances to area

The CISD Board recognized the cast and crew from CHS's production of *She Kills Monsters: Young Adventurers Edition* by Qui Nguyen. Drama teacher Karri Anderson and her assistants Audrey Anderson and Christian Fennell led the students from district, bi-district to an appearance at the area competition. Students recognized at the area competition include Abi Knight, outstanding technician, and Madison Otken, honorable mention all-star cast. Emma Isom and Austin White were named to the all-star cast.



CHS Teacher Earvin Larry (left) was named the Teacher of the Year during the state Air Force Association convention which was held in Greenville. Former Air Force Colonel Ted Oats presented the award. Senior Gus Kilgore was presented a \$500 scholarship from the group.

CHS lifesaver recognized



Tiffany Storm (second from right) was recognized for her quick efforts to save a choking victim in her classroom. Shown with Storm (from left to right) CHS Principal Roger Brown, Dean of Students Jenna O'Neal and CISD Police Chief Justin Westbrook.