

# ON BOARD

BY-THE-MINUTES REPORT

May 2013

## Student recognition tops Board meeting

As the end of school approaches, the CISD Board looks forward to recognizing students for the accomplishments of spring events.

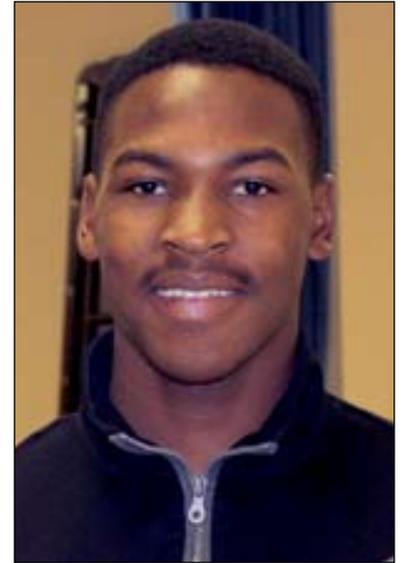
The CHS Theatrical Design team was traveling back from the Austin competition and was unable to attend the recognition. Audrey Anderson competed in the individual costume event. Mike Dempsey competed in individual set and Rachel Sheehan in individual marketing. Spencer Sullivan was an alternate in current events.



Seven FFA members received the state's highest award — the Lone Star Degree. Pictured are Teacher Tommy Marshall, Andrew Coffman, Garrett Jackson, Rebekah Cooper, Billy McDonald, Amanda Hill, Kate Rex and Teacher Richard Meeks. Not pictured is Nathan Burt.



The CHS Lady Tigers softball team went further in the playoffs than any softball team in school history, making it to the Regional Semi-Finals. Pictured are (left to right back row) Assistant Coach Jenna O'Neal, Logan Talley, Rebekah Cooper, Emily Gruver, Bailee Mulcahy, Coach Jeff Davidson, Jordyn Sharp and Taite McBee. Front row: Stacy Clark, Jordan Anderson, Laney Davidson, Dayhana Essix, Kaci Harrison, Chaney Moreland and Manager Suzi Davis.



In his second trip to the State track meet, Buck Wilson (above) won the triple jump and placed second in the 300-meter hurdles.



Qualifying for State was the CHS FFA Meat Judging Team including Amanda Hill (left) and Ashley Wilcox (right) with Superintendent Blake Cooper. Not pictured are Angel Lunsford and Chelsi Green.



Valedictorian JoAnn Jang and Salutatorian Kaitlyn Mulkey were recognized by the Board.

## Drug testing proposal proceeding

Throughout the school year, Superintendent Cooper has been presenting information to the Board on drug testing. At this meeting, a policy was presented for random testing of students involved in any extracurricular activity in grades 7–12 and those with parking permits at CHS.

Parents of students who are not involved in activities could opt in for their child to be tested.

The proposal calls for up to 30 students to be randomly tested each month during nine months of the school year.

Cooper said the purposes for implementing the policy would be to prevent injury, illness and harm resulting from the use of illegal drugs, help enforce a drug-free educational environment and deter student use of illegal drugs.

Parents and students will receive a copy of the policy and procedures and will be asked to sign a consent form prior to the student's participation in qualifying activity. Orientation meetings will also be held prior to the beginning of the fall semester.

The final proposal policy will be presented to the Board at the June 17 meeting.

## Fifth-graders propose playground



Fifth-graders proposed their plans for a science playground at their campus to the Board. After ACW teacher Kathy Black invited Superintendent Cooper to view their class presentation, he determined that it was so good and well thought out that the students should present their idea to the Board.

Students planned and designed the playground to enhance science instruction. They also suggested fundraising activities to finance the project.



*CMS sixth-graders competed in the online math contest at [www.sumdog.com](http://www.sumdog.com) and CMS came in as the overall winner in Hunt County. CMS had nine students in the top ten scoring students. Pictured are (back row) Teacher Nakita Sharp, Grace Tolly, Morgan Guinessey, Principal Patrick Just and Scott Ladd. Front row: Connor Green, Yi-Ling Sun and Tatum Price. Not pictured are Sarah Anthraper, Ethan Uk and Jakob Scarcelli.*

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## Personnel action...

- The Board accepted resignations from Pamela Potts, CES; Lisa Coffey and Harriet Williams ACW; Sarah Jones and Janet John, CMS; LeTrecia Harrell, CHS and Julia Robinson, Central Office.
- The Board employed Sonny Birdwell as a teacher/coach, David Welch as CHS principal and Linda Grubert, ACW counselor.

## In other action...

The Board approved:

- resolution approving the sale of current Delta County Appraisal District office location to Texas Department of Transportation for expansion and improvement of SH 24 and also approving purchase of property at 1280 W. Dallas Ave., Cooper for relocation of Appraisal District Office.
- high bids on resale property to Linda and Ray Parker, and John and Linda Horn.
- resolution supporting Choices purchasing cooperative.
- declaring miscellaneous football equipment, old TVs and the injection molding machine as surplus equipment.
- Mr. Cooper reported that only two students had yet to complete testing requirements for graduation.
- The Board set a budget study session for Tuesday, June 4.

### BOARD MEETINGS

7:00 • 3315 Washington

Monday . . . . . June 17

Monday . . . . . July 15



Board President Willie Blow (center) welcomed new Board members Kathleen Hooten (left) and Michael Beane to the Board. During the annual Board reorganization, Ted Oats was named vice president while Blow and Randy Starks retained their positions as president and secretary, respectively.



*David Welch (right) was named principal of Commerce High School by the CISD Board of Trustees on May 23. Welch had previously served as assistant principal at CHS 13 years ago. He most recently was principal of Billy Dade Middle School in Dallas ISD.*

