

# ON BOARD

October 2011

## BY-THE-MINUTES REPORT

### Superintendent's report

Superintendent Blake Cooper said enrollment was down 14 students from September with a count of 1593, continuing a trend from last year.

Mr. Cooper shared concussion protocol and parent information with the board.

He reported that the bond refinance was completed, knocking off three years from the payment schedule and saving over \$700,000.

Julia Robinson, director of curriculum, reported that the district would seek a bilingual waiver this year for kindergarten classrooms.

The District joined with Texas A&M University-Commerce to host a reception in honor of Senator Bob Deuell and Representative Dan Flynn.

The next board meeting will be held Thursday, November 17 at Commerce Middle School. The meeting will be moved from the Administration Building because of a Region 10 parent meeting entitled Bright, Black and Talented led by Dr. Joy Lawson Davis which will be held there.



### Routine meeting handles district business

Commerce ISD board members handled several routine matters during its October meeting held October 24. Board action items includes:

- Approval of a budget amendment to allow \$285,715 from the Education Jobs Fund program to be used for payroll expenditures;
- Approval of District and Campus Improvement Plans;
- Appointing School Health Advisory Council members Jennifer Speulda, Stephanie Moreland, Melody Millican, Jonathan Cadwell, Tiffany White, Jorge Juarez, Laura Ellis, Craig Jensen and Kenneta Harrison;
- Casting votes for John Sands for place on the Hunt County Appraisal District Board of Directors;
- Approving five-year contract with Coca Cola Bottling Company for exclusive distribution; and
- Conducted public hearing on goods in transit taxation.



*CISD was awarded the Energy Pacesetter Award for its efforts to reduce costs. Savings total over \$440,000 over 21 months. Shown are Energy Education Specialist Kevin Shaw; Superintendent Cooper; Gary Clark, regional president for Energy Education; and Jayson Campbell, CISD HVAC technician.*

*Northeast Texas Marching Festival organizers Karen Starks, Alicia Hulsey and Linda and Cameron Grubert were recognized by the Board. Other organizers not pictured are Dana Yates, Rachel May and Katy Jensen.*

