

Hitchcock Independent School District

Regular Meeting

July 10, 2012

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The Hitchcock Independent School District Board of Trustees met at a Regular meeting on Tuesday, July 10, 2012, held at the Hitchcock ISD Boardroom/Conference Facility located at 8004 North Railroad, Hitchcock, Texas. President Dianne James called the meeting to order at 7:02 PM.

Present Dianne James, President; Monica Cantrell, Vice President; Estelle Holmes, Secretary; Tom Ivey, Member; Shirley Price, Member

Absent Pat Turner, Member and Ted Robinson, Member

Others Dr. Barbara Derrick, Superintendent; Nina Conway, Business Manager; Carla Massa, Assistant Superintendent of Curriculum & Instruction; Evangelina Guerra, Hitchcock High School Principal; Blanca Ochoa, Hitchcock High School Assistant Principal; Larry Allen, Crosby Middle School Principal; Donette Line, Stewart Elementary School Principal; Patrick Faour, Hitchcock Primary Principal; Ethel Gaines, Kids First Head Start Director; Chris Armacost, Technology Director; Stephen Dubner, Hitchcock ISD Attorney

Call to Order Dianne James, President, called the meeting to order at 7:02 PM; announced the presence of a quorum and stated that the meeting had been duly called and the notice had been posted in the manner prescribed by law.

Pledge of Allegiance Monica Cantrell led the members of the Board of Trustees and patrons in the Pledge of Allegiance to the U. S. flag and Tom Ivey led the members of the Board of Trustees and patrons in the Pledge to the Texas flag.

Recognitions

1. The ABC Award for May 2012 was presented to Larry Allen by Mary Turner on behalf of her mother, Pat Turner.
2. The ABC Award recipient for June 2012 was presented to Katrina Jones and Lloyd Jones (unable to attend meeting) by Estelle Holmes.
3. The ABC Award for July 2012 was presented to Pat Turner (accepted by daughter, Mary Turner) by Dr. Shirley Price.

## Public Participation

Patty McNeal spoke to the Board regarding clock-in times and pay for District substitutes.

012-041

### Consent Agenda

A motion was made by Estelle Holmes and seconded by Tom Ivey to approve the Consent Agenda as presented and as recommended by the administration.

1. Check Register for month ending June 30, 2012
2. Monthly Kids First Head Start (KFHS) Check Register for month ending June 30, 2012
3. Monthly Greater Gulf Coast Cooperative/SHARS Check Register for month ending June 30, 2012
4. One-year Extension of Contract for transportation services with Durham School Services for the 2012-2013 school year

Motion carried with all in favor.

## Reports/Information from the Superintendent

The following reports were presented to the Board for their review and information:

1. Kids First Head Start Board Liaison Report – Verbal report by Ms. James.
2. Grant Report – June 2012
3. ADA Report – June 2012
4. Parent Involvement Report
5. STAAR Report

## Discussion/Possible Action

012-042

Discussion with possible action on the Pre-K Program at Hitchcock Primary School

A motion was made by Estelle Holmes and seconded by Shirley Price to table this item until the July 24, 2012, Board of Trustee Meeting.

Motion carried with all in favor.

Action

012-043

Consider Galveston County Juvenile Justice  
Alternative Education Program (JJAEP) for  
the 2012-2013 school year

A motion was made by Estelle Holmes and seconded by Shirley Price to approve JJAEP agreement for the 2012-2013 school year as presented by Administration.

Motion carried with all in favor.

012-044

Consider Transforming Lives (TLC) Cooperative  
Day Program for 2012-2013 school year

A motion was made by Estelle Holmes and seconded by Monica Cantrell to approve the TLC agreement for the 2012-2013 school year as presented by Administration.

Motion carried with all in favor.

012-045

Declaration of Surplus Property

A motion was made by Estelle Holmes and seconded by Shirley Price to approve the Declaration of Surplus Property as presented by Administration.

Motion carried with all in favor.

012-046

Set date for Board walk-through of  
District facilities

A motion was made by Estelle Holmes and seconded by Shirley Price to approve September 8, 2012, 9:00 AM, as the date for the Board walk-through of District facilities.

Motion carried with all in favor.

012-047

Set date for Budget Workshop and  
Special Called Meeting

A motion was made by Estelle Holmes and seconded by Tom Ivey to approve July 24, 2012, 6:30 PM, as the date for a Special Called Board of Trustee Meeting and Budget Workshop.

Motion carried with all in favor.

012-048

Public Hearing on Budget and Proposed Tax  
Rate and to vote on the proposed tax rate to  
Be published in the notice of Public meeting.

A motion was made by Estelle Holmes and seconded by Tom Ivey to approve August 28, 2012, 6:30 PM, as the date for a Public Hearing on Budget and Proposed Tax Rate and to vote on the proposed tax rate to be published in the notice of Public meeting.

Motion carried with all in favor.

012-049

Approve HISD Head Start  
Re-competition Grant

A motion was made by Estelle Holmes and seconded by Tom Ivey to approve the HISD Re-competition Grant.

Motion carried with all in favor.

Closed Session

Dianne James, President, called the members of the Board of Trustees into Closed Session at 7:50 PM for the purposes permitted as authorized by the Texas Open Meetings Act, Texas Government Code:

551.071 Consultation with District's Attorney Stephen Dubner of the Law Office of Stephen Dubner on a matter in which the duty of the attorney to the governmental body under the Texas Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct of the State Bar of Texas clearly conflicts with the

Texas Open Meetings Act specifically including the legal issues related to the Level III Grievance of Winford Ashmore and employment of professional employees

551.074 Personnel

- Discuss the employment of new professional employee(s) for the 2012-2013 school year
- Discuss assignments, re-assignments and duties of at-will and professional employees
- Discuss Superintendent's Contract
- Discuss contract for Mr. Lee Knapp

551.074, 551.082

Level III Grievance – Winford Ashmore

Reconvene from  
Closed Session

The members of the Board of Trustees reconvened from Closed Session at 11:35 PM for action, if any, from Closed Session.

Dr. Shirley Price left meeting at 11:33 PM

A motion was made by Estelle Holmes and seconded by Tom Ivey to deny both Level III appeals of Winford Ashmore.

Members in favor: Dianne James, Monica Cantrell, Tom Ivey and Shirley Price

Members opposed: Estelle Holmes

Motion carried with majority in favor.

A motion was made by Estelle Holmes and seconded by Monica Cantrell to approve the contract of Mr. Lee Knapp.

Motion carried with all in favor.

A motion was made by Estelle Holmes and seconded by Monica Cantrell To approve the Superintendent's contract.

Motion carried with all in favor.

Future Agenda Items

Substitute clock-in/pay

Announcements

1. Change Team of 8 to August 18, 2012
2. Special Called meeting July 24, 2012
3. Special Called meeting August 28, 2012
4. Regular Board meeting August 21, 2012
5. Board walk through September 8, 2012
6. Good 'ole Days August 11, 2012

Adjournment

A motion was made by Tom Ivey and seconded by Monica Cantrell to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried with all in favor. The meeting was adjourned at 11:40 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Linda Leuschen  
Recording Secretary

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Dianne James, President

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Estelle Holmes, Secretary