

Hitchcock Independent School District

Public Hearing to Present District's School Improvement Plan
And
Regular Meeting

November 15, 2011

The Hitchcock Independent School District Board of Trustees met at a Public Hearing to Present the School Improvement Plan and Regular meeting on Tuesday, October 18, 2011, held at the Hitchcock ISD Boardroom/Conference Facility located at 8004 North Railroad, Hitchcock, Texas. President Dianne James called the meeting to order at 6:33 PM.

Present Dianne James, President; Monica Cantrell, Vice President; Estelle Holmes, Secretary; Tom Ivey, Member; Shirley Price, Member; Ted Robinson, Jr., Member; Pat Turner, Member

Absent Shirley Price, Member

Others Lee Knapp, Interim Superintendent; Nina Conway, Business Manager; Larry Allen, Hitchcock High School Principal; Patrick Faour, Hitchcock High School Assistant Principal; Blanca Ochoa, Crosby Middle School Principal; Donette Line, Stewart Elementary School Principal; Carla Massa, Hitchcock Primary School Principal; Chris Armacost, Technology Director; Evangelina Guerra, Director of Curriculum and Instruction; Betty Martins, Kids First Head Start Administrative Assistant and Kristy Bradford, Girl's Athletic Coordinator.

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.

Call to Order

Dianne James, President, called the meeting to order at 6:33 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.

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Ms. Carla Massa presented the School Improvement Plan for Hitchcock Primary School. Mr. Larry Allen present the School Improvement Plan for Hitchcock High School.

Recognitions

Above and Beyond Citizen Award

The Above and Beyond Citizen Award for September was presented to Carlos Ponce by Dianne James. The Above and Beyond Citizen Award for October was presented to Kathy Cruse by Monica Cantrell.

Crosby Middle School—Duke University Talent Identification Program

Certificates of Recognition were presented to Crosby Middle School students who qualified for the Duke University Talent Identification Program. Ms. Ochoa was given certificates to present students that could not make the meeting.

Public Participation

No public participation at this meeting.

011-105

Consideration and approval of an order authorizing the issuance of Hitchcock ISD unlimited tax refunding bonds, Series 2011; setting certain parameters for the bonds; authorizing the pricing officer to approve the amount, the interest rate, price, including the terms thereof and certain other procedures and provisions related thereto

A motion was made by Estelle Holmes and seconded by Monica Cantrell to approve an order authorizing the issuance of Hitchcock ISD unlimited tax refunding bonds, Series 2011; setting certain parameters for the bonds; authorizing the pricing officer to approve the amount, the interest rate, price, including the terms thereof and certain other procedures and provisions related thereto.

Motion carried with all in favor.

011-102

Consent Agenda

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

1. Minutes:
 - a. Special Called meeting of October 11, 2011
 - b. Regular meeting of October 18, 2011
2. Monthly Financial Report, Check Register, and Investment Report for month ending October 31, 2011
3. Monthly Tax Collection Report for month ending October 31, 2011
4. Monthly Kids First Head Start (KFHS) Financial Report and Monthly Check Register for month ending October 31, 2011
5. Monthly Greater Gulf Coast Cooperative/SHARS Financial Report and Monthly Check Register for month ending October 31, 2011
6. Change of date for the December 2011 and March 2012 Board meeting
7. 2012 Summer Nutrition Programs Intent Declaration
8. Technology Plan
9. Bay Area Charter School Request
10. TASB Update 91
11. Policy EI (Local)

Motion carried with all in favor.

A motion was made by Estelle Holmes and seconded by Tom Ivey to have the Board Training with Kids First Head Start Policy Council on January 10, 2012

Motion carried with all in favor.

Reports/Information from the Superintendent

The following reports were presented:

1. Kids First Head Start Board Liaison Report
2. Superintendent's Monthly Goals Report

3. Grant Report
4. Chartwell's August & September Report
5. HISD School Health Services Report
6. Counselor's Report
7. Athletic's Report
8. Maintenance Report
9. ADA Report
10. NCLB – HQ Report
11. State Compensatory Education Plan
12. State Compensatory Education at-Risk Report

Action

011-103

Consider Ballot Selection of Galveston Central
Appraisal District Directors

A motion was made by Estelle Holmes and seconded by Tom Ivey to assign all 74 Hitchcock ISD votes to Gary Jones for Director of Galveston Central Appraisal District.

Motion carried with all in favor.

011-104

Approve Goods-In-Transit Resolution

A motion was made by Estelle Holmes and seconded by Monica Cantrell to approve the Goods-In-Transit resolution as presented and as recommended by administration.

Motion carried with all in favor.

011-106

Approve Redistricting Committee Resolution

A motion was made by Estelle Holmes and seconded by Monica Cantrell to approve the Redistricting Committee Resolution as presented and as recommended by administration.

Motion carried with all in favor.

Discussion/Possible Action

011-108

Consider and Approve Fingerprinting of all
Previously Exempt Employees

A motion was made by Estelle Holmes and seconded by Monica Cantrell to fingerprint all previously exempt HISD employees.

Motion carried with all in favor.

Suggested Future Agenda Items

Ms. Holmes would like to have a workshop to discuss the cost of bus transportation.

Closed Session

Dianne James, President, called the members of the Board of Trustees into Closed Session at 7:45 PM for the purposes permitted as authorized by the Texas Open Meetings Act, Texas Government Code:

551.074 Personnel

- Discuss the employment of new professional employee(s) for the 2011-2012 school year

Reconvene from Closed Session

The members of the Board of Trustees reconvened from Closed Session at 8:21 PM for action, if any, from Closed Session.

No motion made after closed session.

Announcements

1. Thanksgiving Luncheon
2. Collection of dog items
3. Collection of food at High School

4. Toy Collection at Primary
5. Basketball game at Toyota Center this Saturday (boys and girls)
6. Black History Program on February 27th at Hitchcock HS
7. Chamber Bake Sale on November 22nd
8. Mary Kilroy Foundation Benefit
9. HISD Education Foundation

Adjournment

A motion was made by Pat Turner and seconded by Ted Robinson to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried with all in favor. The meeting was adjourned at 8:27 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Linda Leuschen
Recording Secretary

Dianne James, President

Estelle Holmes, Secretary