

Hitchcock Independent School District

Special Called Meeting

August 15, 2011

The Hitchcock Independent School District Board of Trustees met at a Special Called meeting on Monday, August 15, 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 6:05 PM.

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

Others Lee Knapp, Interim-Superintendent; Nina Conway, Business Manager; Chris Armacost, Technology Director; Linda Leuschen, Superintendent's Secretary; Judy Brown, Attorney for Walsh, Anderson, Brown, Gallegos & Green; Leslie Johnston, Demographer for Johnston & Associates

Call to Order Dianne James, President, called the meeting to order at 6:05 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.

Ms. James introduced the Redistricting Advisory Committee (RAC) Meeting members that are present: Shirley Carey, Leon Evans, Doris Kennedy, Art Thompson, Marie McNeil and Pat Turner. Ms. James also introduced Judy Brown, Attorney for Walsh, Anderson, Brown, Gallegos & Green and Leslie Johnston, Demographer for Johnston & Associates.

Ms. Brown provided a packet of information to everyone present, which provided information from the 2000 and 2010 census and maps of the current and proposed seven member districts.

Ms. Johnston, Demographer, reviewed the 2010 census numbers and a proposed seven district map for the committee to consider. The committee members discussed and reviewed all provided information. Some Committee members questioned the use of the 2010 Census data since it was their opinion that it was incorrect due to undercounting of minority population. Ms. Brown and Ms. Johnston explained that, in the absence of a court decision prohibiting the use of the 2010 Census date, the District is required to use the most recent U.S. Census data for redistricting purposes.

A consensus could not be reached by the committee and it was determined that an additional meeting would be required. It was decided that Ms. Johnston would consider all information

provided to her and she would attempt to come up with some alternate plans to present at future meeting. Ms. Brown will provide Ms. James, HISD Board President, with some available future dates to choose from for next meeting.

Adjournment

A motion was made by Shirley Price and seconded by Pat Turner to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried with all in favor. The meeting was adjourned at 9:20 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Linda Leuschen
Recording Secretary

Dianne James, President

Estelle Holmes, Secretary