

Hitchcock Independent School District

Special Called Meeting and Board Workshop

February 25, 2011

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The Hitchcock Independent School District Board of Trustees met at a Special Called meeting and Board Workshop on Friday, February 25, 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 6:30 PM.

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

Late Pat Turner, Member, and Ted Robinson, Jr., Member, arrived at the beginning of closed session.

Others Mike Bergman, Superintendent; Susan Thompson, Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum and Instruction; Nina Conway, Business Manager; Phyliss Coleman, Hitchcock Primary School Principal; Donette Line, Stewart Elementary School Principal; Blanca Ochoa, Crosby Middle School Principal; Larry Allen, Hitchcock High School Principal; Chris Armacost, Technology Director.

Call to Order Dianne James, President, called the meeting to order at 6:30 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.

Closed Session Dianne James, President, called the members of the Board of Trustees into Closed Session at 6:32 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 Superintendent's Resignation, Superintendent's Voluntary Retirement Agreement, and Reduction in Force.

551.074 Personnel:

- Discuss the Superintendent's Voluntary Retirement Agreement and Resignation

Reconvene from Closed Session

The members of the Board of Trustees reconvened from Closed Session at 8:15 PM for action, if any, from Closed Session.

Shirley Price left the meeting after closed session.

Motion 1 A motion was made by Estelle Holmes and seconded by Ted Robinson to extend the Superintendent's contract for one year until June 30, 2012.

Members in favor: Dianne James, Monica Cantrell, Estelle Holmes, Ted Robinson, Tom Ivey

Members abstained: Pat Turner

Motion carried with all in favor.

Motion 2 A motion was made by Estelle Holmes and seconded by Tom Ivey to accept the Superintendent's Voluntary Retirement Agreement.

Members in favor: Dianne James, Monica Cantrell, Ted Robinson, Tom Ivey

Members abstained: Estelle Holmes, Pat Turner

Motion carried with all in favor.

Budget Workshop

It was the consensus of the Board to set a Special Called meeting on March 8, 2011, 6:30 PM to address a possible Reduction in Force and to discuss the district's staffing patterns.

The Regular meeting will be held on March 22, 2011, 7:00 PM. The Board will discuss teacher contracts at a Special Called meeting on March 29, 2011, 6:30 PM.

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 8:35 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Brenda J. Taylor  
Recording Secretary

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Dianne James, President

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Estelle Holmes, Secretary