

Hitchcock Independent School District

Regular Meeting Monday, October 15, 2007

The Hitchcock Independent School District Board of Trustees met at a Regular meeting on Monday, October 15, 2007, at the Boardroom/ Conference Facility located at 8004 North Railroad, Hitchcock, Texas. President Monica Cantrell called the meeting to order at 7:03 PM.

Present Monica Cantrell, President; Tom Ivey, Vice President; Pat Turner, Member; Ted Robinson, Jr., Member

Absent Estelle Holmes, Secretary; Mark Morgan, Member; Shirley Price, Member

Others Mike Bergman, Superintendent; Nina Conway, Business Official; Susan Bowles, Special Education Director; Gerald Hughes, Technology Director; Jane Ankney, Director of Student Support Services; Susan Thompson, Curriculum Director; Randy Dowdy, Hitchcock High School Principal; John Wells, Maintenance Director

Call to Order Monica Cantrell, President, called the meeting to order at 7:03 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 President Cantrell led the members of the Board of Trustees and patrons in the Pledge of Allegiance to the U.S. flag and Texas flag.

Public Participation Randy Dowdy presented to the Board denim shirts and expressed appreciation to the Board for their support.

007-085 Consent Agenda

A motion was made by Mark Morgan and seconded by Ted Robinson to approve the consent agenda items A – C as presented and as recommended by the administration and to table item D (Board of Trustees—Standard Operating Procedures) to a future Board meeting.

A. Minutes

- a. Board Training Workshop and Special Called meeting of September 4, 2007
- b. Public Hearing to present the Hitchcock ISD's State Financial Accountability Rating Pursuant to the Financial Integrity Rating System of Texas (FIRST) and Regular meeting of September 18, 2007

- B. Monthly Financial and Investment Report for month ending August 31, 2007, and September 30, 2007
- C. Monthly Tax Collection Report for month ending September 30, 2007

Reports/Information from the Superintendent

KFHS Financial Report for month ending August 31, 2007, and September 30, 2007, and Monthly Director's Report for month ending September 30, 2007

The KFHS Financial Report for month ending August 31, 2007, and September 30, 2007, and Monthly Director's Report for month ending September 30, 2007, was presented to the Board for their review and information.

Ms. Turner reported the following:

1. Buses are not picking up the children and the buses are limited to the number of students the bus can transport. She stated that provisions need to be made to pickup all students.
2. KFHS no longer pays for physicals and dental exams
3. KFHS is not having regular Policy Council meetings
4. KFHS is cutting programs and traditions, i.e. KFHS graduation
5. The district needs to make sure that all KFHS guidelines are being followed

Greater Gulf Coast Cooperative/
SHARS Financial Report and
Monthly Check Register for month ending
August 31, 2007, and September 30, 2007

The Greater Gulf Coast Cooperative/SHARS Financial Report and Monthly Check Register for month ending August 31, 2007, and September 30, 2007, was presented to the Board for their review and information.

ADA Report for 1st Six Weeks

The Average Daily Attendance (ADA) report for the 1st six weeks was presented to the Board for their review and information.

Grade Distribution Report for
1st Six Weeks

The Grade Distribution Report for the 1st six weeks was presented to the Board for their review and information.

Special Education PBMAS Report

Susan Bowles presented the PBMAS report stating that we are 1A this year (less intervention).

NCLB Teacher Highly Qualified Report

The NCLB Teacher Highly Qualified (HQ) Report for 2007-2008 was presented to the Board for their review and information. It was reported that Stewart Elementary School and Crosby Middle School are at 100% and that Hitchcock High School has one teacher who does not meet HQ.

2007-2008 Grant Report

Jane Ankney presented a list of grants that the district is currently participating in and answered questions from the Board.

Hitchcock High School HVAC Equipment History Report

John Wells presented the Hitchcock High School HVAC Equipment History.

Comprehensive Curriculum Assessment Professional (CCAP) Development

Susan Thompson presented information to the Board on a new program the District will be initiating: Comprehensive Curriculum Assessment Professional Development (CCAP), stating that the program will:

1. Provide a data desegregation system
2. Interface with RSCCC
3. Hold 17 years of data
4. Design assessments
5. Personalize assessments
6. Testing items and desegregating data
7. On-line system with 3-was back-up system
8. Provide curriculum scope and sequence
9. Curriculum based assessments
10. Vertical and horizontal curriculum aligned
11. 24-hr help line

The CCAP will replace the current Triand system. Problems have developed and Triand no longer meets the needs of the district.

Action

007-086 Superintendent's Evaluation Form and Format

A motion was made by Mark Morgan and seconded by Tom Ivey to approve the Superintendent's Evaluation form and format as presented. [See attached]

Motion carried with all in favor.

007-087
Board Planning Calendar for
2007-2008

A motion was made by Mark Morgan and seconded by Ted Robinson to approve the Board Planning Calendar for 2007-2008, as presented. [See attached]

Motion carried with all in favor.

007-088
Adoption of Goal to
Reduce Electric Consumption by
5% for the next six (6) years

A motion was made by Mark Morgan and seconded by Tom Ivey to establish a plan to reduce electricity use by 5% each year for the next six years. The Board was requested to e-mail suggestions to Dr. Bergman to help develop a plan and to bring the plan back to the Board at a future meeting for approve.

Motion carried with all in favor.

007-089
Withdrawal of HISD as Fiscal
Agent from the Greater Gulf Coast
Cooperative

A motion was made by Ted Robinson and seconded by Tom Ivey to remove Hitchcock ISD as the fiscal agent of the Greater Gulf Coast Cooperative effective beginning July 1, 2008.

Members in favor: None
Members opposed: Monica Cantrell, Tom Ivey, Estelle Holmes, Pat Turner, Ted Robinson

Motion failed.

007-090
Pat Turner as Liaison to
KFHS Policy Council for the
2007-2008 school year

A motion was made by Tom Ivey and seconded by Mark Morgan to appoint Pat Turner as the Liaison to the KFHS Policy Council for the 2007-2008 school year.

Motion carried with all in favor.

007-091
Adoption of policy for a Train
Derailment Plan to be in incorporated in
the Emergency Operations Plan

The Board will give input to Dr. Bergman on the plan so it can be developed and added to the Emergency Operations Plans. They also

asked Dr. Bergman to contact Scott Fleming of the Hitchcock Volunteer Fire Department for input.

A motion was made by Mark Morgan and seconded by Tom Ivey to table action until a future board meeting.

Motion carried with all in favor.

007-092

Set date for Board Workshop to begin discussion of facts as to how the district wants to proceed with the town meetings using data from our demographic study

A motion was made by Mark Morgan and seconded by Ted Robinson to schedule a Board Workshop on Monday, October 29, 6:30 PM, to begin discussion of facts as to how the district wants to proceed with the town meetings using data from our demographic study.

Motion carried with all in favor.

007-093

Set date for the public forum to be held in November to discuss bond proposal

A motion was made by Mark Morgan and seconded by Tom Ivey to set the Town Hall Meeting for Monday, November 19, 6:30 PM, at the Galilee Missionary Baptist Church, to discuss the bond proposal.

Motion carried with all in favor.

Closed Session

President Monica Cantrell called the members of the Board of Trustees into closed session at 9:22 PM for the purposes permitted as authorized by the Texas Open Meeting Act, Texas Government Code Sections:

551.074 Personnel

- a. Discuss the employment of an Assistant Principal at Crosby Middle School
- b. Discuss Grade Distribution by personnel

Reconvene from Closed Session

The members of the Board of Trustees reconvened from Closed Session at 10:00 PM and took the following action:

Motion

A motion was made by Tom Ivey and seconded by Pat Turner to employ Blanca Ochoa as Vice Principal at Crosby Middle School and to offer Ms. Ochoa a Probationary One-Year Contract—Administrator for the 2007-2008 school year as presented and as discussed in executive session.

Motion carried with all in favor.

Announcements

1. Dr. Bergman will be out of the office on Wednesday, 10/17, and Thursday, 10/18, to attend investment training in Austin. He will back in the office on Friday, 10/19.
2. Board member Pat Turner will undergo surgery on Friday, 10/19.

Future Agenda Items

1. Mark Morgan: Is the district paying fuel taxes on buses? Look at installing fuel tanks and to share with the fire department.
2. Monthly Tax Report: Include % comparison
3. Resale Committee report
4. E-mail updated Board Planning Calendar, 2007-2008

Adjournment

A motion was made by Pat Turner and seconded by Tom Ivey to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried with all in favor. The meeting was adjourned at 10:09 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Brenda J. Taylor
Recording Secretary

Monica Cantrell, President

Estelle Holmes, Secretary